



Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November 2019  
**Chislehurst Methodist Church**

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Prayer for the week

Grant us, O Lord, the will to accomplish all that pleases you;  
the strength to do all that you command and the reverence to respect all that you have made;  
for your own name's sake.  
Amen.

*Francis of Assisi (1182-1226)*



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The first **practice** for the **CAROL SERVICE CHOIR** will be **TODAY**.

We will be starting **15 minutes** after the end of the service in the Wesley Room and last for about **half an hour**. Bring your coffee.

If you would like to be part of this, but cannot come today, please speak to me.

Gillian Beecher Bryant: 020 8467 6906



Please take this notice  
sheet home with you

Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30am  
Preacher: Mr Chris Price

**WELCOME**

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

**FIRST HYMN:                    100 All things bright and beautiful**

**ALL AGE MESSAGE**

**SECOND HYMN:                362 Meekness and majesty**

**PRAYERS**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**FIRST READING:            Luke 23: 33-43**

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[ Then Jesus said, 'Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.']] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, 'He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!' The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, 'If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!' There was also an inscription over him, 'This is the King of the Jews.'

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, 'Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!' But the other rebuked him, saying, 'Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.' Then he said, 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.' He replied, 'Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.'

**SECOND READING: Colossians 1: 11-20**

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

**THIRD HYMN: 363 My Jesus my saviour**

**SERMON**

**OFFERING (*during hymn*)**

**FOURTH HYMN: 20 Be still for the presence of the Lord**

**PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

**FINAL HYMN: 317 At the name of Jesus**

**BLESSING**

Next Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December

Rev'd Duncan MacBean, Holy Communion, 9.30am

The flowers in church this week have been provided by Lynda Smith, many thanks.



**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL FLYER:** There is a flyer for the Christmas Tree Festival inside this Notice Sheet, please pass it on to a friend or neighbor who might like to come along. There are some additional flyers available on the piano if you need more copies.

There are also A4 posters if you know of anywhere we could display one, please do take them.

*Please leave any spare copies of the flyers on the piano.*

**CONTACT:** There is a new edition of Contact Magazine available on the piano, please help yourselves! There will be another issue coming out in December so please speak to Sarah regarding any content for that one.

**MONDAY FOCUS:** This week we will be crafting in preparation for the Christmas tree festival, there will also be a sandwich lunch. We start at 1pm in the Wesley room as usual. New people are always welcome! For more information contact Rosemary: 07791 603 668.

**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL – NATIVITY SCENES APPEAL!** This year we are hoping to have several nativity scenes set up amongst the trees during the festival and we are appealing for any which can be lent to the church for this purpose. Nothing too fragile or of enormous sentimental value please! If you have anything you can lend for this, please contact Sarah or Gillian J as soon as possible.

**CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL – OPENING DAY:** We are very much in need of volunteers to help out with stalls and refreshments on the opening day of the Christmas tree festival (30<sup>th</sup> Nov). Please speak to Gillian J, one of the Stewards or Sarah if you can help. We also still need donations for the chocolate tombola and raffle hamper, these can be brought to in the church office. Many thanks!

### **CAROL SINGING FOR ACTION FOR CHILDREN**

We need singers and collectors please, to raise funds for this amazing charity ([www.actionforchildren.org.uk](http://www.actionforchildren.org.uk)). I've booked the 2pm slot at The Glades in Bromley on Sunday, 8th December and with enough support we will be there until 330pm. Please have a word with me today to let me know you will be there, or please email [cpott7@gmail.com](mailto:cpott7@gmail.com). We would also be grateful for help in carrying our 'kit' to Bromley. Many thanks, Christine Pott.



### **ADVANCE NOTICE OF THE WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2020**

Next year's World Day of Prayer service for the Chislehurst and Bickley churches is to be held here at our church on the morning of Friday 6th March. The local WDP committee will lead the worship but we shall need a team of people here to ensure that everything runs smoothly. If you are willing to be involved in any way please let me know and put the date in your diary. Elaine Battarbee

**CHURCH “SIGNIFICANT” ANNIVERSARY** Monday October 5<sup>th</sup> 2020 will mark the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first service in this church. A service of celebration is to be held on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> October by Rev. Michaela Youngson.

**THURSDAY SERVICES:** The next lunchtime service will be this Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December, at 12.45pm. As usual, after the service we gather for a sandwich lunch (£5).

**THE FIJIAN METHODIST FELLOWSHIP’S:** Regular worship is held here two Sundays a month. Due to our Christmas Tree Festival, we are unable to accommodate the FMF at their usual times in December, so they will join the Sunday morning worship instead, we look forward to welcoming them.

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November - 7-9pm, Christmas Wreath Making Workshop by The Maypole Project (charity that we will be supporting for our Christmas Tree Festival this year) - poster on noticeboard

Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> November - Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Christmas Tree Festival, CMC

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> December - Carol Singing for Action for Children at the Glades

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> December - Circuit Service to be held at CMC

### **WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS**

Those of our church community who are unwell or who have need for our prayers: Jane Cowie, Eddie Battarbee, Kath Carpenter who is currently comfortable at Fallowfields, Maureen Spinks who has broken her wrist, Pam Wallace, Monica Faux, Pam Giles, Myrtle and Neill Truman.

All our friends who are in care homes, particularly Arthur Hayes, Les Giles and Joan Clements.

All those who have birthdays this month: Lea Laomi.

When visiting those who can't get to church, please do take them a Notice Sheet. They are always welcome.

As part of the fellowship of Churches Together in Chislehurst and Bickley; this week we pray for the Church of the Annunciation.

