



Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2023  
**Chislehurst Methodist Church**

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**Prayer for the week**

Our hope is in you,  
O God, our help in every time of  
trouble;  
our strength in every moment of our  
temptation and our mercy in every  
hour of judgement.

*A Nigerian prayer (traditional)*



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**CSW MEETING AFTER CHURCH ON SUNDAY APRIL 30<sup>th</sup>**

There will be a CSW meeting in the Wesley Room, after the service on  
April 30<sup>th</sup>. I look forward to seeing you there.

Best wishes, John Sennett

Please take this notice  
sheet home with you

**Preacher: Mrs Pat Woodison**

**Order of Service**

Welcome

Call to Worship

First Hymn                      594 *Lord Jesus Christ* (verses 1,3 and 4)

Prayers of Adoration and Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

Second Hymn                  524 *Listening God, you hear us*

Reading:                        Luke 24: 13-35

*Now on that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing, Jesus himself came near and went with them, but their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, 'What are you discussing with each other while you walk along?' They stood still, looking sad. Then one of them, whose name was Cleopas, answered him, 'Are you the only stranger in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have taken place there in these days?' He asked them, 'What things?' They replied, 'The things about Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and leaders handed him over to be condemned to death and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since these things took place. Moreover, some women of our group astounded us. They were at the tomb early this morning, and when they did not find his body there, they came back and told us that they had indeed seen a vision of angels who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said; but they did not see him.' Then he said to them, 'Oh, how foolish you are, and how slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have declared! Was it not necessary that the Messiah should suffer these things and then enter into his glory?' Then beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them the things about himself in all the scriptures.*

*As they came near the village to which they were going, he walked ahead as if he were going on. But they urged him strongly, saying, 'Stay with us, because it is almost evening and the day is now nearly over.' So he went in to stay with them. When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?' That same hour they got up and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven and their companions gathered together. They were saying, 'The Lord has risen indeed, and he has appeared to Simon!' Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread.*

Reflection (one)

Third Hymn                      639 *Through the love of God our Saviour*

Reflection (two)

Fourth Hymn                    297 *Christ is alive let Christians sing*

Prayers of Intercession

Blessing of the Offering

Final Hymn                    545 *Be thou my vision*

Benediction

We thank Ruth Dawe for the lovely plants this week.

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Next Service: Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April - 10.30am, Mr Ralph Brandhorst

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## NOTICES

### **Monday Focus**

Monday Focus will be meeting at the usual time of 12.45pm onwards with a sandwich lunch and other tasty refreshments. There will be a social. Cost £10pp as this is the fourth meeting of the month.

Just a reminder that there will be **no** Monday Focus meetings on the following two Bank Holidays - Monday 1st May and 8th May. Contact Rosemary: 07791 603 668.

### **Chislehurst Creates**

This year, in collaboration with The Chislehurst Society, Helen Baylis and a team of volunteers are restarting the event formerly known as 'The Big Draw', under the new title of 'Chislehurst Creates'. It will be held on Saturday September 23<sup>rd</sup> from 1-5pm on the commons opposite the Tigers Head/The Crown. The theme this year is 'Chislehurst Creates... the Magic of Nature'. If anyone would like to get involved, please let Helen Baylis know on [helenbaylis@yahoo.com](mailto:helenbaylis@yahoo.com).

### **Contact**

The Easter edition of *Contact* is available on the piano – please take one!

### **Quiet Space at Church**

During the week, the Creche is being opened as a Quiet Space that anyone can come and use for private prayer. The room will be open when the church office is open (subject to events in the church).

### **Weekly Collection**

The Collection will be blessed during the service but will not be brought up to the front during the service. Main reason for this is that many people now give regularly by standing orders. Stewards on duty will mention the decision at the start of each service.

**DON'T FORGET, IF YOU HAVE A MOBILE PHONE THE GOVERNMENT WILL BE TESTING THE NEW EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM AT 3PM TODAY.**

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Safeguarding training: Thurs 27<sup>th</sup> April, 9.30-12.30 @  
Bromley Common MC

*Book via leaving a message on 020 8313 1029 or emailing:  
[office@bromleymethodist.org](mailto:office@bromleymethodist.org).*

President of the Methodist Church  
Rev Graham Thompson preaching at CMC: Sunday 21 May 2023 @ 10.30am

Farewell to Deacon Maureen Spinks: Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2023 @ 5.00 pm  
*(venue to be advised)*

Chislehurst Creates – Community Art Event Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September @ 1pm  
*(poster on noticeboard and more details to follow)*

## WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those of our church community who are unwell or who have need for our prayers: Monica Faux, Pam Wallace who is currently with her daughter, Fiona, following a brief stay in Northampton hospital, Roland Beecher Bryant, Barbara Herriot, John Iles (Peter's father) and Myrtle and Neill Truman.

All our friends who are in care homes, particularly Joan Clements and Rosemary Whittingham.

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

