



Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> February 2025  
**Chislehurst Methodist Church**

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**Welcome**

We are very pleased to welcome you here in church today, whether you are only visiting for the first time, or come every week or only coming back after many months. We are delighted to see you and to worship God together. If you are new to the church, please introduce yourself to us and we will be happy to tell you more about what happens here in Chislehurst Methodist Church. We hope you will find yourself at home here amongst us.

God bless you richly,  
Rev Hannah



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**Prayers for the Week**

Let us depend above all things, O Christ, on your grace, desire in all things your love, rejoice at all times in your presence and delight through all undertakings in your glory.

John William Fletcher, John Wesley's designated successor (1729-1785)

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sheet home with you

## Order of Service

Preacher: Rev'd Hannah

Welcome

Call to Worship - Psalm 1 (responsive reading)

First Hymn                      556 *Just as I am, without one plea*

Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

Second Hymn                 504 *May the mind of Christ my Saviour*

First Reading:                Jeremiah 17: 5-10

*Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse - who can understand it? I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.*

Second Reading:             1 Corinthians 15: 12-20

*Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.*

Third Hymn

351 *In Christ alone my hope is found*

Third Reading:

Luke 6: 17-26

*He came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: 'Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. 'Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. 'Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. 'Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice on that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. 'But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. 'Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. 'Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. 'Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.*

Sermon

Fourth Hymn

467 *I need thee every hour*

Blessing of the Offering

Prayers

Final Hymn

639 *Through the love of God our Saviour*

Benediction

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Next Service: Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> February – Rev'd Janet Verrier

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## NOTICES

### Safeguarding

As a church we are committed to creating safe spaces and following statutory guidelines. To assist with this, we need to appoint a new safeguarding officer, with a team to support them. If you are interested in supporting this, please contact Rev'd Hannah to discuss.



### Monday Focus – 17<sup>th</sup> February

There is to be a Monday Focus meeting in the Wesley Room at 12.45pm. There will be a sandwich lunch and other refreshments. Cost £10pp. Followed by a social. Please do join us. All are welcome. Rosemary: 07791 603 668.

### World Day of Prayer: Friday 7th March

This years' World Day of Prayer has been written by Christian women from the Cook Islands. It is the turn of St Mary's church in Crown Lane to hold our local event. There will be a welcome café from 10.00am and the service will take place at 10.30am. Everyone is warmly invited.

### Contact Magazine

We are planning to produce an Easter edition of *Contact* magazine, so are sending out a very early call for articles! To submit something, please contact Sarah.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Church AGM** – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, after the morning church service

**Dementia-friendly, café-style church service, taster sessions:** 4<sup>th</sup> March 2025, 10am-12pm @ Orpington MC, 20<sup>th</sup> March 2025: 10:30am-12:30pm @ Bromley MC

**Zoom Safeguarding Training** – Foundation Module: 25th Feb, 7-9.30pm  
26th March, 7-9.30pm, to book: [widmorecircuit@gmail.com/07835 809967](mailto:widmorecircuit@gmail.com)

**EDI (Equality, Diversity and Inclusion) Training** See poster on noticeboard for more details re who should attend. 12<sup>th</sup> May, 7-9pm @ CMC, 11<sup>th</sup> June, 9.30 – 11.30am @ Bromley MC. To book: [widmorecircuit@gmail.com / 07835 809967](mailto:widmorecircuit@gmail.com)

## MEMORIAL BOOK

This month in our memorial book, we remember:

David Gifford Temple                      Born: 11<sup>th</sup> May 1923, Died: 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015  
Barbara Ellen Plummer                      Born: 4<sup>th</sup> February 1915, Died: 9<sup>th</sup> February 2017

The memorial book is on display in the church. New entries can be added at any time so please do contact Sarah if you would like to add an entry.

### WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those of our church community who are unwell or who have need for our prayers: Julie Covill, James Alabi, John Sennett, Janet Woollett, Alfie Watt, Pam Wallace. 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 Church of the Annunciation.



#### Pastoral Support Contacts

If you need any pastoral support or know someone who does, please speak to:

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