



Sunday 30th March 2025
Chislehurst Methodist Church

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Welcome

We are very pleased to welcome you here in church today, whether you are visiting for the first time, come every week or are 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

The Revd Michela Youngson, the Assistant Secretary of the Conference, shares this prayer for Mothering Sunday, 30 March.

Creator God,

We thank you for your love which shapes us and helps us to grow.

On this Mothering Sunday, we give thanks for women who have been examples of self-giving love,

who have given time, wisdom and care to the nurture of children, their own or others.

We pray for those who find this a difficult day, who do not have happy memories of their own mothers, those who grieve for their mothers or for their children, and those who long to be mothers but cannot be.

We remember mothers in the Bible, giving thanks for the tenacity of Sarah, the generosity of Hannah and the courage of Mary.

May your Spirit continue to shape us, heal us and guide us today.

Amen.

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Order of Service

Preacher: Reverend Hannah

Steward's Welcome

Call to Worship

Prayers & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn (StF) 594 Lord Jesus Christ, you have come to us

First Scripture Reading: Exodus 2:1-10

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Birth and Youth of Moses

2 Now a man from the house of Levi went and married a Levite woman. ²The woman conceived and bore a son; and when she saw that he was a fine baby, she hid him for three months. ³When she could hide him no longer she got a papyrus basket for him, and plastered it with bitumen and pitch; she put the child in it and placed it among the reeds on the bank of the river. ⁴His sister stood at a distance, to see what would happen to him.

⁵ The daughter of Pharaoh came down to bathe at the river, while her attendants walked beside the river. She saw the basket among the reeds and sent her maid to bring it. ⁶When she opened it, she saw the child. He was crying, and she took pity on him. 'This must be one of the Hebrews' children,' she said. ⁷Then his sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, 'Shall I go and get you a nurse from the Hebrew women to nurse the child for you?' ⁸Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Yes.' So the girl went and called the child's mother. ⁹Pharaoh's daughter said to her, 'Take this child and nurse it for me, and I will give you your wages.' So the woman took the child and nursed it. ¹⁰When the child grew up, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and she took him as her son. She named him Moses, 'because', she said, 'I drew him out of the water.'

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 2:33-35

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33 And the child's father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him. ³⁴Then Simeon blessed them and said to his mother Mary, 'This child is destined for the falling and the rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be opposed ³⁵so that the inner thoughts of many will be revealed—and a sword will pierce your own soul too.'

Reflection: The love of a mother.
The cost of motherhood.

Hymn (StT) 519 Father I place into your hands

Let's hear from Mrs Sue Cope and Mrs Sue Sawyer who will share their story with us

Hymn (StT) 536 He's got the whole world in his hands

Blessing the Offering

Prayers of Intercession and The Lord's prayer

Giving out thank you gifts

Hymn (StF) 706 Christ be our light

Benediction

Happy Mothering Sunday!

Next Service: Sunday 6th April - Maggie Ayres

NOTICES

The Walk of Witness will be held on Good Friday 18th April. Meeting at 9.30am at the Methodist Church and setting off at 10am to walk down the High Street to the Garden Room for a short service.

The Widmore Circuit Good Friday service will take place here at Chislehurst at 3.00pm and will be followed by cakes and drinks. **We need our members to provide the cakes – homemade would be lovely but all cakes accepted.** Your contributions can be brought to church at any time on Good Friday before 3.00pm – perhaps when you join the Walk of Witness in the morning.

Monday Focus 31st March

Monday Focus will be meeting in the Wesley Room at 12.45 pm. There will be a sandwich lunch £10pp, followed by a crafting activity.

All welcome.

Rosemary Hughes: 07791 603 668.

Contact Magazine

We are planning to produce an Easter edition of *Contact* magazine and you still have time to submit an article. To submit something, please contact the church office via email.

Monday Focus lunch & Harp Recital

Monday 12th May from 12:45 pm

Chislehurst Methodist Church,
Prince Imperial Road,
Chislehurst, BR7 5LX

Margaret Watson (website: www.harpmusic.co.uk), a highly experienced harpist, is giving a recital and introducing us to the versatility of harp playing. There will be time to ask questions and join in with singing a few well known songs.



Contacts to purchase tickets:
£10 pp (includes buffet lunch)

Rosemary Hughes tel:
07791 603668

Sharon Michaelides tel:
07757 717399

Closing date for tickets
30th April 2025



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Lent Bible Study: Let Justice Flow, a Study Course by Rev Richard Grocott
Study Four: Wealth and justice among god's people. What went wrong in Israel?
Fri 4th April, 10am -11am, Wesley Room, Chislehurst MC
Course link <https://www.methodistlondon.org.uk/let-justice-flow-a-lent-course>

Widmore Methodist Circuit - Maundy Thursday Communion Service
17th April 2025, 7.30pm, Petts Wood Methodist Church, BR5 1EB

EDI (Equality, Diversity and Inclusion) Training

See poster on noticeboard for more details re who should attend.

12th May, 7-9pm @ CMC,

11th June, 9.30 – 11.30am @ Bromley MC.

To book: widmorecircuit@gmail.com / 07835 809967

MEMORIAL BOOK

This month in our memorial book, we remember:

Leonard George Towers

Born: 22nd April 1912,

Died: 5th March 1988

The memorial book is on display in the church. New entries can be added at any time so please do contact the church office 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, Jeanne Pearce (a loyal member of Monday Focus). 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.



Pastoral Support Contacts

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

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