



Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May 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

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**A prayer for God's mercy**

By the sorrow you suffered when all the powers of your heart failed you, O Jesus have mercy on us. In our days of darkness help us and in our hours of weakness strengthen us that we do not lose hold of you in this life, nor fail to enjoy you in the life of the world to come. Amen.

Bridget of Sweden (1303-1373)

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sheet home with you

# **Order of Service**

**Preacher: Revd Derek Stanworth**

Call to Worship

*Hymn stf 94 "To God be the glory --"*

Prayers and The Lord's Prayer.

**Reading: Psalm 148**

## **Praise for God's Universal Glory**

<sup>1</sup> Praise the LORD!

Praise the LORD from the heavens;  
praise him in the heights!

<sup>2</sup> Praise him, all his angels;  
praise him, all his host!

<sup>3</sup> Praise him, sun and moon;  
praise him, all you shining stars!

<sup>4</sup> Praise him, you highest heavens,  
and you waters above the heavens!

<sup>5</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for he commanded and they were created.

<sup>6</sup> He established them for ever and ever;  
he fixed their bounds, which cannot be passed.<sup>[a]</sup>

<sup>7</sup> Praise the LORD from the earth,  
you sea monsters and all deeps,

<sup>8</sup> fire and hail, snow and frost,  
stormy wind fulfilling his command!

<sup>9</sup> Mountains and all hills,  
fruit trees and all cedars!

<sup>10</sup> Wild animals and all cattle,  
creeping things and flying birds!

<sup>11</sup> Kings of the earth and all peoples,  
princes and all rulers of the earth!

<sup>12</sup> Young men and women alike,  
old and young together!

<sup>13</sup> Let them praise the name of the LORD,  
for his name alone is exalted;  
his glory is above earth and heaven.  
<sup>14</sup> He has raised up a horn for his people,  
praise for all his faithful,  
for the people of Israel who are close to him.  
Praise the LORD!

*Hymn Stf 110 " In the Christ who died to save us,"*

**Reading: Rev. 21: 1-6**

## **The New Heaven and the New Earth**

**21** Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

‘See, the home<sup>[a]</sup> of God is among mortals.

He will dwell<sup>[b]</sup> with them;

they will be his peoples,<sup>[c]</sup>

and God himself will be with them;<sup>[d]</sup>

<sup>4</sup> he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away.’

<sup>5</sup> And the one who was seated on the throne said, ‘See, I am making all things new.’ Also he said, ‘Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true.’ <sup>6</sup> Then he said to me, ‘It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life.

**Reading: John 13: 31-35**

## **The New Commandment**

<sup>31</sup> When he had gone out, Jesus said, ‘Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. <sup>32</sup> If God has been glorified in him,<sup>[a]</sup> God

will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. <sup>33</sup> Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, "Where I am going, you cannot come." <sup>34</sup> I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. <sup>35</sup> By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.'

*Hymn Stf 348 "He is Lord,---,"*

Sermon

*Hymn Stf 676 " Christ, from whom all blessings flow,"*

Offering

Prayers of Confession, Thanksgiving and Intercession

*Hymn stf 615 " Let love be real, "*

Benediction

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Next Service:

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 10:30am – Mike Tinson

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## NOTICES

### Monday Focus meeting 19/5/25

Monday Focus will be meeting at 12.45 pm in the Wesley Room. There will be a lunch and other refreshments -cost £10 pp. Please bring items for the Bring and Buy stall in aid of Monday Focus.

All welcome

Rosemary Hughes

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### Methodist Safeguarding Training

Foundation Modules on Zoom, Thursday 12th June 2025 7-9:30pm

To book a place, please email your full name, church, role and circuit name to the circuit administrator: widmorecircuit@gmail.com or leave a message with your details on 07835 809967



A **dementia-friendly** café-style **worship** service in **Orpington**  
every **1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday** from **10:00am-12:00pm**

# Soul Space

The Link Café, Orpington Methodist Church  
Sevenoaks Road, Orpington, BR6 9JH  
On-site and roadside parking (some restrictions)

Includes:

**Worship & Refreshments**  
**Fellowship & Support**

**Save these 2025 dates!**

To find out more or to RSVP:

**Email:**

**office@om.church**

**Call:**

**01689 828391**

**1 April**  
**6 May**  
**3 June**  
**1 July**  
**5 August**

**2 September**  
**7 October**  
**4 November**  
**2 December**



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### Junior Church

There will be a Junior Church Sessions normally first Sunday of the month.

**Don't forget to put the dates in your diary:**

**1<sup>st</sup> June and 6<sup>th</sup> of July.**

For more information contact:

Ann Pompei Tel. 07794 880119

### EDI (Equality, Diversity and Inclusion) Training

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

11<sup>th</sup> June, 9.30 – 11.30am @ Bromley MC.

To book: widmorecircuit@gmail.com / 07835 809967

## MEMORIAL BOOK

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 and pray for all of those  
that have died in the month of May.*

## 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. Monica Faux, who ran Monday Focus at one time.

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



### Pastoral Support Contacts

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

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