

Sunday 6th July 2025 Chislehurst Methodist Church

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Thank you to the Members and friends of ChislehurstMethodist Church!

Thanks and blessings to all of you who served our church congregation during the Connexional Year, beginning September 2024 and about to end in August 2025.



We are grateful to the practical help, warm hospitality and generous welcome that you have brought to our church community And beyond, making this a year with special meaning to all of us. From those who steward and those who decorated our church, to those who have provided hospitality, as well as the visual and sound team. Thank you also to all who are planning to continue helping our church and community for the next year, starting in September. Thank you for your service to God as you continue sharing your gifts, talents and passions. We look forward to your ongoing support. God bless you,

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Order of Service

Preacher: Rev Hannah Faal-Heim

Steward's Welcome

Call to Worship

—*Psalm 30*

Prayers of Adoration, Penitence & The Lord's Prayer

Hymn (STF) 88 Praise to the Lord the Almighty

First Scripture Reading: 2 Kings 5: 1—14

The Healing of Naaman

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram, was a great man and in high favour with his master, because by him the Lord had given victory to Aram. The man, though a mighty warrior, suffered from leprosy. ²Now the Arameans on one of their raids had taken a young girl captive from the land of Israel, and she served Naaman's wife. ³She said to her mistress, 'If only my lord were with the prophet who is in Samaria! He would cure him of his leprosy. ' ⁴So Naaman went in and told his lord just what the girl from the land of Israel had said. ⁵And the king of Aram said, 'Go then, and I will send along a letter to the king of Israel.'

He went, taking with him ten talents of silver, six thousand shekels of gold, and ten sets of garments. ⁶He brought the letter to the king of Israel, which read, 'When this letter reaches you, know that I have sent to you my servant Naaman, that you may cure him of his leprosy. 'TWhen the king of Israel read the letter, he tore his clothes and said, 'Am I God, to give death or life, that this man sends word to me to cure a man of his leprosy? Just look and see how he is trying to pick a quarrel with me.'

8 But when Elisha the man of God heard that the king of Israel had torn his clothes, he sent a message to the king, 'Why have you torn your clothes? Let him come to me, that he may learn that there is a prophet in Israel. '9So Naaman came with his horses and chariots, and halted at the entrance of Elisha's house. ¹⁰Elisha sent a messenger to him, saying, 'Go, wash in the Jordan seven times,

and your flesh shall be restored and you shall be clean. '11But Naaman became angry and went away, saying, 'I thought that for me he would surely come out, and stand and call on the name of the Lord his God, and would wave his hand over the spot, and cure the leprosy! 12Are not Abana and Pharpar, the rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Could I not wash in them, and be clean? 'He turned and went away in a rage. 13But his servants approached and said to him, 'Father, if the prophet had commanded you to do something difficult, would you not have done it? How much more, when all he said to you was, "Wash, and be clean"? '14So he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God; his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.

Hymn (STF) 401 Come, sinners, to the gospel feast

Second Scripture Reading: Luke 10:1-11, 16—20

The Mission of the Seventy

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. ²He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. ³Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. 4Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. 5Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" ⁶And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. ⁷Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. 8Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; 9cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." 10But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ¹¹"Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near."

16' Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.'

The Return of the Seventy

17 The seventy returned with joy, saying, 'Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us! '¹8He said to them, 'I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. ¹9See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. ²0Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.'

Reflection

Prayers of Intercession

Blessing the Offering

Hymn (StF) 573 Be known to us in breaking bread

Holy communion

Prayer after Communion

Hymn (STF) 94 To God be the glory, great things he has done

Benediction and Dismissal

Next Service:

Sunday 13th July, 10:30am - Thomas Cowie

NOTICES

A message from Rev. Hannah Faal-Heim

I want to share with you, that I will be taking annual leave from my responsibilities at the Widmore Circuit for most of July.

You might be wondering what this means regarding pastoral care during the time I am on leave. Let me share with you the plan;

Our pastoral team is always in place and you can contact Elaine. Our Church stewards are available to help. If you need a minister, they can contact Rev. Karen George on your behalf and she will provide pastoral care.

I look forward to returning in August.

Have a blessed summer

God bless you richly,

Rev Nannah Faal-Neim



Next Sunday, 13th July is **Action for Children Sunday**.

There is some information about the work of this excellent charity on the blue notice board in the Courtyard.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

CSW Prayer MEETING AFTER SERVICE TODAY THE 6TH OF JULY.

MONDAY 7TH JULY

Monday Focus is meeting in the Wesley Room at $12.45 \, \text{Pm}$ for a light lunch cost -£10 pp .

MRS SUE COPE WILL BE LEADING THE MEETING WITH AN INTERESTING SUBJECT.

PLEASE DO JOIN US.ALL WELCOME.

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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 June.

Dennís Austín McBrearty Born: 11th June 1930, Díed: 19th June 2020 Lízzíe (Bet) Pott Born: 24th January 1900, Díed: June 1985

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, Monica Faux and Brenda McBearty. 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 Christ Church.



Pastoral Support Contacts

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

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