



Sunday 21st September 2025
Chislehurst Methodist Church

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Dear Chislehurst Methodist Church members and friends,



Thank God for a great summer. It has been so much fun sharing the summer services with you. It is a real blessing to be a part of the church, with the stewards, members and the community. As we start a new season, I want to encourage all of us to invite the people around us to church and our other activities. There are people in our lives and those we come across who need good news. You and I can always use some good news, too. If you have any questions, need some details, or would like some help in making that invitation, let our pastoral team know. We are here to work and build each other up, together.

Please continue to pray for the new Connexional year.

God bless you richly,

Rev Hannah Faal-Heim

A prayer for purity of heart and strength of purpose

Grant us, O Lord, purity of heart and strength of purpose, that no passion may hinder us from knowing your will and no weakness from doing it. In your light we may see light clearly, and in your service find perfect freedom; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Augustine of Hippo (354-430)

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Order of Service

Preacher: Rev David Gilman

HARVEST OF HOPE

Hosea 10.12 and Proverbs 3.9

HYMN 114. Oh the life of the world is a joy and a treasure

Prayers

The Lord's Prayer

HYMN 125. Praise and thanksgiving

READING. Psalm 65 and Amos 5.24

Thanksgiving for Earth's Bounty

¹Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion;
and to you shall vows be performed,

²O you who answer prayer! To you all flesh shall come.

³When deeds of iniquity overwhelm us,
you forgive our transgressions.

⁴Happy are those whom you choose and bring near

to live in your courts. We shall be satisfied with the goodness
of your house, your holy temple.

⁵By awesome deeds you answer us with deliverance,

O God of our salvation; you are the hope of all the ends of the
earth and of the farthest seas.

⁶By your strength you established the mountains;
you are girded with might.

⁷You silence the roaring of the seas, the roaring of their waves,
the tumult of the peoples.

⁸Those who live at earth's farthest bounds are awed by your
signs; you make the gateways of the morning and the evening
shout for joy.

⁹You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river
of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so
you have prepared it.

¹⁰You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges,
softening it with showers, and blessing its growth.

¹¹You crown the year with your bounty;
your wagon tracks overflow with richness.

¹²The pastures of the wilderness overflow,
the hills gird themselves with joy,

¹³the meadows clothe themselves with flocks,
the valleys deck themselves with grain,
they shout and sing together for joy.

(Amos 5.24)

But let justice roll down like waters,
and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream.

Prayers

HYMN What is the Colour of the Harvest

READING. Luke 9 10-17

On their return the apostles told Jesus all they had done.
He took them with him and withdrew privately to a city
called Bethsaida. When the crowds found out about it, they
followed him; and he welcomed them, and spoke to them

about the kingdom of God, and healed those who needed to be cured.

The day was drawing to a close, and the twelve came to him and said, 'Send the crowd away, so that they may go into the surrounding villages and countryside, to lodge and get provisions; for we are here in a deserted place.' But he said to them, 'You give them something to eat.' They said, 'We have no more than five loaves and two fish—unless we are to go and buy food for all these people.' For there were about five thousand men. And he said to his disciples, 'Make them sit down in groups of about fifty each.' They did so and made them all sit down. And taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke them, and gave them to the disciples to set before the crowd. And all ate and were filled. What was left over was gathered up, twelve baskets of broken pieces.

Reflection

HYMN 727. God in his love for us lent us this planet

Prayers for others

THE OFFERING

HYMN 130. We plough the fields and scatter

Blessing

Next Service:

Sunday 28th September, 10:30am — Jim Holman

NOTICES

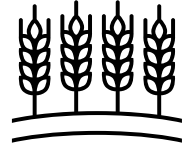


Harvest Thanksgiving

Gifts are being received for a local food bank.

**Collection for Christian Aid –
envelopes are be available**

Thank you!



**THE World's Biggest Coffee Morning happens THIS
WEEK on FRIDAY 26TH September here in the church from 10.30
until 12 noon, raising money for Macmillan Cancer Support.**

Do come yourself and tell/bring friends and neighbours. Send out this notice electronically if you like, or there are hard copies on the tables in the Courtyard you can take. There will be refreshments of course, a couple of quizzes and some sales tables.

Donations of cakes and biscuits to have with our tea and coffee will be very welcome, ideally to the church office in advance or contact me to collect if helpful. To the table on the day, as early as possible will also be fine. Home-made or bought equally welcome.

See you there.
Gillian Beecher Bryant
07770 917 502



Monday Focus 22nd September

Monday Focus is meeting in the Wesley Room at 12.45pm. There will be a sandwich lunch and other refreshments. Cost £10 pp. We will be doing Autumn crafts. All welcome.

Rosemary 07791603668

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Church Council Meeting:

Tuesday the 23rd September, 8pm – 9.30pm.

Wednesday 29th October 10am – 12pm

Christmas Decoration workshop. Everyone welcome.

EDI and Safeguarding Training

Training dates are displayed on the noticeboard in the Courtyard.

CSW Prayer meeting after service on 5th October 2025.

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 September.*

Roger Godfrey Faux

Born: 28th September 1930, Died: 17th September 2017

Aileen Bryan

Born: 21st April 1922, Died: 19th September 2010

Janet Norah Fennell

Born: 19th December 1929, Died: 25th September 2016

Jean Bowie Fox

Born: 23th November 1912, Died: 28th September 2014

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those of our church community who are unwell or who have need for our prayers: Julie Covill, John Sennett, Janet Woollett, Pam Wallace, Jeanne Pearce, Monica Faux, Brenda McBearty, Eileen and John Lidinson, Christine Pott. 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 Churches Together Committee.



Pastoral Support Contacts

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

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