



Sunday 19th July 2026
Chislehurst Methodist Church

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Welcome to everyone.

Our worship this morning is led by Rev Duncan MacBean.

If you are new here, please introduce yourself. We will be happy to tell you about the church and our involvement in the community

You are warmly invited to join us in the concourse after the service for coffee and a time of fellowship. This provides an opportunity to get to know one another.

A prayer of thanks to God

Receive, O God, our sacrifice of praise; that of thanksgiving for your mercies, that of prayer for your grace, that of penitence for our sins, and that love for your love, being the only gift that you seek or desire.

(John Donne (1572-1631))



Contact Us:

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Please note that the office will be closed 21st July - 5th August for administrator's holiday.

The email and mobile will be checked periodically during this time, but non-urgent enquiries will be replied to after 5th August.

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sheet home with you

Order of Service

Preacher: Rev Duncan MacBean

Welcome & Notices

Opening prayer:

Through dreams and visions, O God,
you broaden the horizon and hope of your people,
that they may discover the meaning of your covenant,
even in the midst of trial and exile.
Increase the number of those who believe in your word
so that all people may joyfully respond to your call
and share in your promises. **Amen.**

Hymn God is Love: let heaven adore him (StF 103)

Prayers of adoration and confession

Romans 8:12-25

The revealing of the children of God

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh--

for if you live according to the flesh, you will die, but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God.

For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!"

it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if we in fact suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us.

For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God,

for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will, but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope

that the creation itself will be set free from its enslavement to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

We know that the whole creation has been groaning together as it suffers together the pains of labor,

and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies.

For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope, for who hopes for what one already sees?

But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

The parable of the weeds

He put before them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field,

but while everybody was asleep an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat and then went away.

So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well.

And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, 'Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?'

He answered, 'An enemy has done this.' The slaves said to him, 'Then do you want us to go and gather them?'

But he replied, 'No, for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them.

Let both of them grow together until the harvest, and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn.'"

Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, "Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field."

He answered, "The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man;

the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one,

and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels.

Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age.

The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers,

and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

Hymn We pray until the hour (StF 741)

Sermon

Prayers of intercession

The Lord's prayer

Hymn For all the saints who show your love (StF 746)

The offering

Hymn Captain of Israel's host, and Guide (StF 459)

Benediction

Next Service:

Sunday 26th July 2026, 10.30am – Alison Driscoll

NOTICES

Monday Focus 20th July

Monday Focus will be meeting in the Wesley room at 12.45pm.

There will be a lunch, cost £10 pp. Andrew Dunmore the official Westminster Abbey photographer will be talking about 'photographing Westminster Abbey' This should be a very interesting afternoon.

Please do join us .

All are welcome.

Rosemary 07791603668

A date for your diary – Monday 7th September 2026

Margaret Watson will be giving another one of her wonderful Harp recitals.

All are welcome to join Monday Focus that afternoon. Further details to follow.



Action for Children Sunday was last Sunday, 12th July. Thank you to Rev'd Janet Verrier for including it in our Sunday morning Service.

Please help Action for Children to continue being there for those who need them most. Children who struggle to find safety, stability and the chance to thrive. Families in crisis to discover hope.

There is a small Action for Children display on the noticeboard in the Courtyard and there are Gift Aid envelopes for your kind donations.
Thank you.



April and Asher Alabi and family welcomed baby

Amaya Jennifer Rose Bukola

Born on 24th June, weighing 6lb 2oz

Mum and baby are doing well.



THE FRIENDS OF BROMLEY AND SHEPPARD'S COLLEGES
London Road, Bromley, BR1 1PE (entrance BR1 1 PG)

warmly invite you to their annual
SUMMER FAYRE

Saturday 25 July 2026, 2.30-4pm

Stalls, refreshments, music history displays and
guided tours
in this unique and fascinating "hidden gem"

All welcome!
Free entry!

Sorry, no car parking is available in our grounds.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

September

Tuesday 1st September – Welcome to Deacon Jessica Dalton & Celebration of 2 years of Widmore Circuit.

At CMC, 6pm refreshments. 7.30pm service. Preacher: Rev Dr Jonathan Dean

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
who have died in the month of July.*

Russell Aidan Herriot

Born: 14th July 1965, Died: 4th July 1991

Dorothy O'Hanlon

Born: 27th September 1924, Died: 5th July 2014

Kathleen May Carpenter

Born: 6th March 1926, Died: 8th July 2020

Rev'd Dr David Calvert

Born: 1st July 1940, Died: 24th July 2015

Reginald Clements

Born: 4th August 1895, Died: July 1982

Minnie Pott

Born: 2nd March 1896, Died July 1995

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those of our church community who are unwell or who have need for our prayers: Jumoke and Elizabeth Olabode, Kathryn Paszylk, John Sennett, Jeanne Pearce, Monica Faux, Christine Pott, John Lidinson and Ian Brentnall, who is the organist at Farringtons school.

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



Pastoral Support Contact

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

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