



Sunday 9th August 2026
Chislehurst Methodist Church

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Welcome to everyone.

Our worship this morning is led by Dr. Roli Degazon-Johnson.

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 contemplative breath prayer

"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess,
for he who promised is faithful."

Hebrews 10:23

(Breathe in) Lord, you are faithful,
(Breathe out) I hold fast to hope



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Order of Service

Preacher: Dr Roli Degazon-Johnson

Welcome & Notices

Call to Worship

Hymn – StF 368 "When morning gilds the skies, my heart awaking cries"

Prayers of Adoration & Confession

Hymn - StF 692 - "You hand oh God has guided your flock from age to age"

Introducing Church and Preacher

Hymn: StF 672 - "Where can we find you, Lord Jesus our Master"

Reading: Genesis 37: 1-4, 12-28

Joseph's Dreams

37 Jacob lived in the land where his father had stayed, the land of Canaan.

² This is the account of Jacob's family line.

Joseph, a young man of seventeen, was tending the flocks with his brothers, the sons of Bilhah and the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives, and he brought their father a bad report about them.

³ Now Israel loved Joseph more than any of his other sons, because he had been born to him in his old age; and he made an ornate^[a] robe for him. ⁴ When his brothers saw that their father loved him more than any of them, they hated him and could not speak a kind word to him.

Joseph Sold by His Brothers

¹² Now his brothers had gone to graze their father's flocks near Shechem, ¹³ and Israel said to Joseph, "As you know, your brothers are grazing the flocks near Shechem. Come, I am going to send you to them."

"Very well," he replied.

¹⁴ So he said to him, "Go and see if all is well with your brothers and with the

flocks, and bring word back to me." Then he sent him off from the Valley of Hebron.

When Joseph arrived at Shechem, ¹⁵ a man found him wandering around in the fields and asked him, "What are you looking for?"

¹⁶ He replied, "I'm looking for my brothers. Can you tell me where they are grazing their flocks?"

¹⁷ "They have moved on from here," the man answered. "I heard them say, 'Let's go to Dothan.'"

So Joseph went after his brothers and found them near Dothan. ¹⁸ But they saw him in the distance, and before he reached them, they plotted to kill him.

¹⁹ "Here comes that dreamer!" they said to each other. ²⁰ "Come now, let's kill him and throw him into one of these cisterns and say that a ferocious animal devoured him. Then we'll see what comes of his dreams."

²¹ When Reuben heard this, he tried to rescue him from their hands. "Let's not take his life," he said. ²² "Don't shed any blood. Throw him into this cistern here in the wilderness, but don't lay a hand on him." Reuben said this to rescue him from them and take him back to his father.

²³ So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe—the ornate robe he was wearing— ²⁴ and they took him and threw him into the cistern. The cistern was empty; there was no water in it.

²⁵ As they sat down to eat their meal, they looked up and saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead. Their camels were loaded with spices, balm and myrrh, and they were on their way to take them down to Egypt.

²⁶ Judah said to his brothers, "What will we gain if we kill our brother and cover up his blood? ²⁷ Come, let's sell him to the Ishmaelites and not lay our hands on him; after all, he is our brother, our own flesh and blood." His brothers agreed.

²⁸ So when the Midianite merchants came by, his brothers pulled Joseph up out of the cistern and sold him for twenty shekels^[a] of silver to the Ishmaelites, who took him to Egypt.

Reading: Romans 10: 5-15

⁵ Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: "The person who does these things will live by them."^[a] ⁶ But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'"^[b] (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ "or 'Who will descend into the deep?'"^[c] (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,"^[d] that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: ⁹ If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. ¹¹ As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame."^[e] ¹² For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, ¹³ for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."^[f]

¹⁴ How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵ And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"^[g]

Reflection

Hymn - StF 410 - "Lord, your church on Earth is seeking"

Blessing of Offertory

Prayers of Intercessions

The Lord's prayer

Hymn StF 690 "The Church's one foundation is Jesus Christ her Lord."

Benediction and Dismissal

Next Service:

Sunday 16th August 2026, 10.30am – Jim Holman

NOTICES

Monday Focus 10th August

Monday Focus will be meeting in the Wesley room at 12.45pm.
There will be a lunch, cost £10 pp. The theme is 'Holiday at Home'.

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.

YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED TO THE

WELCOME SERVICE

OF

Deacon Jessica Dalton

TUESDAY
1ST SEPTEMBER

☕ REFRESHMENTS AT 6PM
📖 SERVICE AT 7:30PM

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All are welcome

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Harvest Thanksgiving - Family service - 27 September - Rev Janet Verrier

Church Anniversary and Gift Day - 4 October - Rev Karen George

Remembrance Sunday - 8th November - Joan Mayes

Christmas Tree Festival Service - Family Service 29 November - Deacon Jessica Dalton

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 August.*

Rev'd Geoffrey Fletcher

Born: 28th March 1933, Died: 1st August 2022

A loved and respected minister of this church from 1992 to 1997.

Robert Raymond Victor Woollett

Born: 18th December 1948, Died: 6th August 2006

Edith May Fancett

Born: 20th June 1911, Died: 12th August 2010

Peggy Smith

Born: 7th April 1926, Died: 29th August 2012

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those of our church community who are unwell or who have need for our prayers: Sue Cope, Jumoke and Elizabeth Olabode, Kathryn Paszyk, 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 Christ Church.



Pastoral Support Contact

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