



Sunday 13th January 2019
Chislehurst Methodist Church

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Prayer for the week

A Prayer to mark the 350th Anniversary of Susanna Wesley's Birth

Living, loving God, Trinity in Unity,

We praise and thank you for the life of Susanna Wesley, Mother of Methodism.

Inspired by her regime of private prayer and meditation, may we grow in our devotion to you.

Following our conscience as she did, may we think for ourselves and dare to act on Kingdom values.

Aware of her programme of teaching her children, girls and boys alike, may we value and nurture all in our care, sensitive to individual needs.

Encouraged by her determination to build up the faith of her family and the parish of Epworth, may we lead others to follow Christ more closely.

Discerning the Holy Spirit moving powerfully in the life of the nation as she did, may we be open to new challenges and expect great things from you.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ and in the power of the Spirit. Amen.



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Sunday 13th January
Preacher: Mrs Joan Mayes

Please take this notice sheet
home with you

WELCOME

GATHERING PRAYER

FIRST HYMN 25 God is here! As we his people

PRAYER OF ADORATION

ALL AGE ADDRESS Baptism of Jesus

SECOND HYMN 6 Father we love you
(children leave)

FIRST READING Isaiah 43: 1-7

Restoration and Protection Promised

But now thus says the Lord,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.
I give Egypt as your ransom,
Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.
Because you are precious in my sight,
and honoured, and I love you,
I give people in return for you,
nations in exchange for your life.
Do not fear, for I am with you;
I will bring your offspring from the east,
and from the west I will gather you;
I will say to the north, 'Give them up',
and to the south, 'Do not withhold';
bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth—
everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made.'

REFLECTION

SECOND READING Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, 'I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing-fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing-floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.'

The Baptism of Jesus

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased.'

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

THIRD HYMN 233 When Jesus came to Jordan

REFLECTION

FOURTH HYMN 564 O thou who camest from above

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING

FINAL HYMN 255 The kingdom of God, is justice and joy

BENEDICTION

Next Sunday: 20 th January at 10.30am, Mr John Sennett

The flowers in church this week are kindly provided by Dorothy Kelly, many thanks.

CONTACT, a new edition of contact will be coming out in Feb/March, please contact Sarah in the office if you have anything you would like to contribute.

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL REVIEW There will be a meeting to review our recent Festival and consider what went well and what we could improve or develop. It will be held in the church on Tuesday, 15th January at 12.30 p.m., and everyone is invited to come to the discussion. Your contribution would be much valued, and if you cannot make this meeting please pass on any comments to Gillian Johnson or to our Administrator, Sarah.

KNIT AND KNATTER IS CHANGING...to CRAFT AND CHATTER! Bring your project or attempt a new one. On Wednesday mornings in church during term time. We still knit. We still crochet. We now quilt All projects welcome!

UNITED SERVICE Churches Together in Chislehurst & Bickley are holding a United Service Sunday 20th January at 3.30pm at Christ Church, Lubbock Road BR7 5JJ. All are most welcome to this service, where our churches will join together in a varied act of worship. Tea and cakes will follow the service. Speakers at the service will be Margaret and Barry Mizen whose son Jimmy, a 16-year-old schoolboy from Lewisham, lost his life in an unprovoked attack in a bakery in Lee in 2008. Barry and Margaret hit national headlines when immediately after Jimmy's murder they spoke of compassion rather than revenge.

BROMLEY FOODBANK, thank you for your continued support for the foodbank.

Currently, the most needed items are:

Jam, Vegetarian (Macaroni Cheese, Ratatouille, Veg Curry etc.), Sweets, Rice Pudding and Custard, Tinned Potatoes, Cooking Sauces, Rice (small bags), Washing up Liquid
Size 6 Nappies, Shaving Foam/Gel, Children's Toothbrushes.



THURSDAY SERVICES, The next Thursday lunchtime service will this Thursday, 17th January at 12.45pm. A friendly, informal 30 minutes of meditative music, prayer, Bible reading and reflection. After the service we gather for a sandwich lunch (£4).

FIJIAN METHODIST FELLOWSHIP worship at our church every 1st & 2nd Sunday of the month. Their next dates are today and 10th February.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Wednesday 9th January

Film Night: *Seven Pounds*, New Eltham Methodist Church
7pm

Saturday 19th January

Family Film: *Trolls*, New Eltham Methodist Church, 3pm

Sunday 20th January

Churches Together, United Service, 3.30pm, Christ Church,
Lubbock Road BR7 5JJ

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those of our church community who are unwell or who have particular need for our prayers, in particular Eileen Lidinson, Pam Giles, Elizabeth Haftke, Myrtle and Neill Truman. All our friends who are in care homes, particularly Les Giles and Arthur Hayes.

All those who have birthdays this month.

When visiting those who can't get to church, please do take them a Notice Sheet. They are always welcome.

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



Monday Focus Programme January - April 2019

January

7 th	Sandwich Lunch	Rev Terry Wright Service
14 th	Hot Lunch	
21 st	Sandwich lunch	Deacon Maureen Spinks
28 th	Sandwich Lunch	Music with Val

February

4 th	Sandwich Lunch	Rev Terry Wright Service
11 ^t	Hot lunch	
18 th	Sandwiches Lunch	Mrs Joan Mayes 'A surprising way to become a Local Preacher'
25 th	Sandwich Lunch	Music with Val

March

4 th	Sandwich Lunch	Rev Duncan Macbean Service
11 th	Hot Lunch	
18 th	Sandwich Lunch	Talk Linnett Anderson
25 th	Sandwich Lunch	Mrs Sue Cope 'The Haitian Hugertuch / a modern day Misereor cloth'

April

1 st	Sandwich Lunch	Rev Duncan Macbean Service
8 th	Lunch/joint service	Venue Chislehurst with Sidcup 'Women's Hour'
15 th	Coach Trip	
22 nd	Easter Monday	No Meeting
29 th	Sandwich Lunch	John/Alice Sennett talk on Martin Luther

Don't forget Monday Focus is at the new time of 12.45pm!