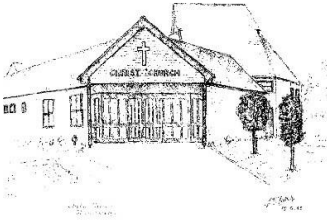


CHRIST CHURCH, STANTONBURY
STANTONBURY ECUMENICAL PARTNERSHIP

Anglican, Baptist, Methodist, United Reformed Church.



Meeting God – Following Jesus – Serving People

Christ Church Service. – 10.30 am Sunday 13th April – Palm Sunday.

You are invited to come to Christ Church on Sunday 13th April at 10.30 am when our service will be led by John and Jenny Boxwell.

The Readings are from Psalm 118:19-29, Luke 19:28-37 and Luke 19:38-40

This service will also be streamed to our Facebook page, using the link below. You don't need to belong to Facebook in order to follow the service.

We will start streaming from 10.25am

<https://www.facebook.com/christchurchmk/>

We look forward to sharing our services with you.

Sunday 20th April – Easter Sunday.

9 am Easter Sunday Communion Service (this service will not be live streamed)

Followed by breakfast

10.30 am Easter Sunday Celebration Service.

For details of the parish services in Holy Week please see the details in the SEP newsletter.

Prayer requests

Please remember in your prayers: Ian Atkinson, Pam Ian's Friend. Cis Jones, Nancy Dua, Jean and Peter Wood, Peter Thorpe, Patricia and Len Collins, Roberta Corley, Audrey (Steve Millers mum), Roger and Jenny Main. Debaroh Abbott the daughter-in-law of Roberta Corley.

Please pray for Sheila, Anne and all the family as Hugh's funeral takes place on 15 April.

Please pray for Rachel Howarth following the death of her brother David.

Pray for the people of Afghanistan, Lebanon, Ukraine, Israel and Gaza.

Housegroups week starting 14th April 2025

Wednesday Group - There is no Wednesday Housegroup this week.

Thursday Group at 7.30pm - Contact Richard Solly (01908 317392)

(On zoom meeting)

Coffee and Cake – Saturday 12 April 2025

Our Coffee and Cake morning in April is on the second Saturday for this month only (12 April) due to it being Easter on the third Saturday. Come along for a pleasant morning and a chat over a cup of coffee and some cake. It is also open for people around the campus to join us. The time is 9.30am to 11.30 am. No charge, donations welcome which go to the charity we are supporting this month.

For April and May

The charity we are supporting is: Christian Aid

An agency of the churches in the UK and Ireland working with local organisations throughout the world wherever the need is greatest.

www.christianaid.org.uk



The Wednesday morning Drop-In 16th April 2025

The Wednesday morning Drop-In meets at church between 10:00 and 11:30 am. Refreshments will be available.

The drop-in is also available online via our Facebook group, for those who wish to meet remotely.

Under 5s –

Under 5s will not be meeting for the next two weeks due to it being the Easter holidays. It will resume on Thursday 24th April.

Advance Notice

Worship and work morning.

Wednesday 30th April we will be holding our next worship and work morning; this will start at 9.15am and finish at 12.30pm. All are welcome to come along and help give the church a spring clean or just come along to the drop in for a coffee and a chat.

The Wednesday drop- in will happen as usual.

Collection for the Food Bank.

Contributions of food (non-perishable items, tins, packets etc) for the Food Bank, who support local families in times of need, will be gratefully received. Please place in the blue box in the coffee Lounge thank you.

Eco-Tip April 2025

REPAIR IT AT THE REPAIR CAFÉ

On every second Saturday of the month (except August) 9.30-12.30 a welcoming, enthusiastic and skilled group of fixers and repairers - textiles, clothing, woodworking, electrical, mechanical, computer, clocks, watches, ceramics, jewellery, bikes and more - are ready to repair broken items you bring.

Coffee, tea and cakes. Come for a cuppa and a chat.

Address: The Old Bath House, 205 Stratford Rd, Wolverton, Milton Keynes MK12 5RL, UK **Website:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/repaircafemiltonkeynes>

There's also a Repair Cafe in Newport Pagnell on 4th Saturday of the month at the Mead Centre.

MK Eco Church Network Meeting, 5 April 10 - 12.30, Queensway Methodist Church includes a talk on Opportunities to Reduce, Reuse, Repair and Recycle in Milton Keynes by leaders of the Repair Café Movement in MK.

Eco Church

We have been awarded a Bronze Eco Church award. We were assessed for this in 5 categories: Worship & teaching, Buildings, Land, Lifestyle and Community engagement. If you have ideas for how we can demonstrate our care for creation either at church or individually, please let Anne, Nancy or Margaret know.

Grace Foundation – Ethos Team.

Please remember in your prayers the Ethos Team (Bianca, Darren, Liane and Melissa) based at Stantonbury Campus.

Our Vision

We exist to transform young people's lives through holistic education and support.

Through our Christian ethos, we are committed to working with schools from the inside out to support the social and emotional needs of students and their families.

Our Approach

Partnering with Schools – We partner with secondary schools contributing to the pastoral offer, providing the delivery of an holistic curriculum supporting and improving the social and emotional needs of students, to enhance wellbeing and student outcomes.

The team at Stantonbury consists of – Bianca (Ethos lead), Darren (Youth worker), Liane and Melissa (Family Support Workers).

If you would like more information, you can contact Bianca on biancachappell@grace-foundation.org.uk. Or go to their web site on www.grace-foundation.org.uk

Stantonbury Ecumenical Partnership has a Facebook Group, for sharing news on events at the 6 churches in the partnership, to help bring us closer together and invite people in. Please look for it at

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/208567765189229>

and join the group if you'd like to.

There is now a single point of contact for our Partnership of churches for eg funeral and marriage enquiries. The Partnership can be contacted on 01908 382458; between 10 and 12 Monday to Saturday the phone will be answered and otherwise a voicemail can be left.

If you would like to be part of the rota of volunteers who are answering the phone (which can be done from your own home as calls will be transferred to your own number), please ring the number and leave your details. There will be training for this.

WHO TO CONTACT AT CHRIST CHURCH, STANTONBURY

Minister: Rev Phil Dunning - 01908 151962, 07990523702 or philipjdunning21@gmail.com (Tuesday is Phil's day off)

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Treasurer: Adrian Prisk 01908 605815 or aprisk@doctors.org.uk

Worship Co-ordinator: Susan Gander 01908 312162 or susan.gander@gmail.com

Items for the Newsletter: Pat Parsons 01908 318188 or pat.a.parsons@gmail.com

Christ Church web site

Please take a look at our website on www.christchurchmk.org.uk

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Donations and Gift Aid

If you are a taxpayer, please consider Gift Aiding your donation(s). Please see our treasurer, Adrian Prisk about signing a Gift Aid declaration form. If making cash donations, please put notes and coins in an envelope and add your name before depositing it in the collection box which is currently placed by the door into the Worship area. Please consider making regular donations by standing order or bank transfer. We can supply bank details etc. Thank you for supporting the work of the church.