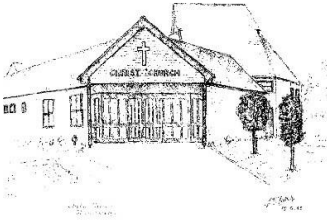


**CHRIST CHURCH, STANTONBURY**  
**STANTONBURY ECUMENICAL PARTNERSHIP**

***Anglican, Baptist, Methodist, United Reformed Church.***



**Meeting God – Following Jesus – Serving People**

**Christ Church Service Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May – @ 10.30am All Age Worship with Communion and virtual Communion.**

You are invited to come to Christ Church on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> May when our Communion service will be led by Mike Morris and Maggie Prisk.

**Theme:** “Why Worry”

**The Readings are from:** 1 Corinthians 15:51-58 and Matthew 6:25-34

If you would like to partake in the Virtual Communion, we invite you to have bread and wine ready, so that we may eat and drink together as we share in communion.

**This service will 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 1<sup>st</sup> June –** our 10.30am service will be led by Maggie Prisk.

**Prayer requests**

Please remember in your prayers: Nancy Dua, Ian Atkinson, Pam Ian's Friend. Cis Jones, 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. Sheila, Anne and all the family. Rachel Howarth.

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

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

### **Housegroups week starting 25th May 2025**

Wednesday Group at 7.30pm - Contact Roger Gander (01908 312162)

(In person meeting)

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

(On zoom meeting)

### **The Wednesday morning Drop-In 28<sup>th</sup> May 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 – 29<sup>th</sup> May**

Under 5s, will not be meeting this week as it is half term, we will be back on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June.

### **Coffee and Cake – Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June.**

Our Coffee and Cake morning is on the third Saturday of the month. 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 June and July**

#### **The charity we are supporting is - St Marks Meals**

St Marks Meals Boxes are stored in over 60 schools, children's centres and community hubs across Milton Keynes. As soon as a teacher or other professional realises that a child will not eat dinner that night, they can invite a family to choose from a selection of delicious dinner options. And if they need dinner again tomorrow night, they can...cos no child should go to bed hungry.



### **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 for May 2025

As summer approaches and with the unpredictable nature of our weather, it is a good time to consider how we can reduce our water usage and save money too.

Here are some tips:

- Don't leave the tap running when cleaning your teeth. If rinsing vegetables, dishes etc., use a bowl of water instead and use it afterwards to water your plants.
- Have fewer baths, which can use up to 80 litres of water. Shower instead and restrict the time you spend in there to 4 minutes. You can get more efficient shower heads and fix aerators, to shower heads and taps, which add air to the water so reducing water usage.
- Dual flush toilets are common these days but if you don't have one you can put a water displacement device in the cistern or reduce flushing – 'if it's yellow let it mellow'!
- Only wash full loads in dishwashers and washing machines.
- In the garden install a water barrel to collect rainwater to water plants. Water in the morning or evening to reduce evaporation and also use grey water.

There are a number of websites that give greater details on saving water including:

[www.wwf.org.uk](http://www.wwf.org.uk) and <https://www.52climateactions.com/get-water-wise/full>

## 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.

**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](mailto:philipjdunning21@gmail.com) (Tuesday is Phil's day off)

**Administrator:** Maggie Prisk 01908 605815 or [maggie.a.prisk@gmail.com](mailto:maggie.a.prisk@gmail.com)

**Treasurer:** Adrian Prisk 01908 605815 or [aprisk@doctors.org.uk](mailto:aprisk@doctors.org.uk)

**Worship Co-ordinator:** Susan Gander 01908 312162 or [susan.gander@gmail.com](mailto:susan.gander@gmail.com)

**Items for the Newsletter:** Pat Parsons 01908 318188 or [pat.a.parsons@gmail.com](mailto:pat.a.parsons@gmail.com)

### **Christ Church web site**

Please take a look at our website on [www.christchurchmk.org.uk](http://www.christchurchmk.org.uk)

### **Gift Aid It**

#### **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.