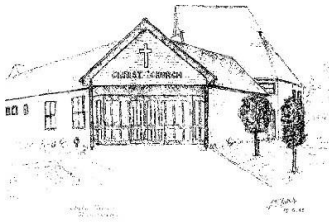


CHRIST CHURCH, STANTONBURY

STANTONBURY ECUMENICAL PARTNERSHIP

Anglican, Baptist, Methodist, United Reformed Church.



Meeting God – Following Jesus – Serving People

Christ Church Service Sunday 15th June – Trinity Sunday

@ 10.30am All Age Worship.

You are invited to come to Christ Church on Sunday 15th June when our service will be led by John and Jenny Boxwell.

The Readings are from: Psalm 8 and John 14:23-15:17

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 22nd June – our 10.30am service with Communion and virtual Communion will be led by Rev Peter Ballantine.

Advance notice – **Sunday 29th June** There be a joint SEP service here at Christ Church starting at 11am.

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 15th June 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 18th June 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 – 19th June.

Under 5s, meet from 10:00 to 11:30 am in the church hall. (Term time only.)

Coffee and Cake – Saturday 21st 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.



Please note: - Christ Church Anniversary.

Christ Church's 50-year anniversary celebration has been postponed from July to September 27th.

More details nearer the time.

Wednesday 25th June

There will be a general meeting for the partnership on Wednesday 25th June at Christ Church Stantonbury from 7.30 pm

Speaker – Joshua Townson – Generous Giving Officer Oxford Diocese

The main source of income for our churches and for the partnership are the generous contributions from members of our congregations. These have generally declined in recent years. As our major expense is our clergy, we have had to reduce their numbers.

Joshua's brief is to encourage stewardship in general and will also be talking about the 'Parish Giving Scheme' which is an alternative to Standing Orders for online regular giving.

We have announced this at a number of meetings but are anxious to encourage you to come.

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 June 2025



Thursday 5th June is World Environment Day, which this year takes as its theme "Ending Plastic Pollution"

Key facts

- An estimated 583 billion plastic bottles were produced in 2021. That is 100 billion more than were produced just five years ago.
- In the UK it is estimated that five million tonnes of plastic is used every year, nearly half of which is packaging.
- Every minute, two garbage trucks of plastic are dumped into our oceans. Currently, a total of 8 million metric tons is dumped.
- Over 1 million marine organisms are killed each year due to plastic pollution in the ocean.

How you can help

- 1) Buy bags and other items, e.g. wipes, that are biodegradable or reuse them whenever possible.
- 2) Choose fruit and vegetables with paper or less packaging or take your own bag.
- 3) Study MK's recycling scheme. You can recycle plastic bottles, food trays, yoghurt and snack pots, cartons and tubs.
- 4) Share your ideas with your family, friends and members of your church – and work together.
- 5) Sign Greenpeace's petition against supermarket plastics

<https://action.greenpeace.org.uk/supermarkets-broken-plastic-promises>

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

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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.