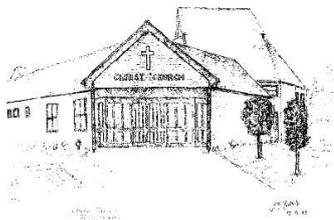


CHRIST CHURCH, STANTONBURY
STANTONBURY ECUMENICAL PARTNERSHIP
Anglican, Baptist, Methodist, United Reformed Church.



Meeting God – Following Jesus – Serving People

Christ Church Service, Sunday 22nd February 2026 with Communion and virtual Communion – 1st Sunday in Lent @ 10.30am

You are invited to come to Christ Church on Sunday 15th February when our service will be led by Rev Kofi Tekyi-Ansah.

Theme: Away From Me Satan – Matthew 4:10

The readings are from Genesis 2:15-17, Genesis 3:1-7 and Matthew 4:1-11.

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 1st March. - 2nd Sunday in Lent. All age worship at 10.30 will be led by David Nash.

Sunday 22nd February. Bread and Soup Lunch. - 1st Sunday in Lent. We will be holding a bread and soup lunch following our service. It has been suggested that people donate the equivalent cost of the meal they would normally have.

Housegroups week starting 22nd February 2026

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)

Prayer requests

Thank you all for your prayers, many of which have been answered. If you wish to have someone or a situation put into the news sheet, please send your request to Pat (pat.a.parsons@gmail.com). If you would like a person mentioned in intercessions during Sunday services please mention it to Richard, Susan, Maggie, Adrian, Penny or Phil'

Please remember in your prayers: Nancy Dua, Cis Jones, Jean Wood, Peter Thorpe, Rachel Howarth.

Please remember the family of Olipah Mayo Who's funeral will take place at Christ Church on Monday 23rd February at 10 am.

Please remember in your prayers the Ethos Team based at Stantonbury Campus.

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

Coffee and Cake – Saturday 21st February 2026.

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 January, February and March 2026 the charity we are supporting is –

Fundatia Bucuria Darului

(The Joy of Giving Foundation)

Their mission:

The mission of the Bucuria Darului Foundation is to find ways to restore hope and put our less fortunate fellows back on their feet.

Their vision:

A world where every person feels the warmth of a home.

_This is a charity that Mike Kelsey volunteer's at in Romania, (Mike is Nancy Warners Son)

Facebook – Fundatia Bucuria Darului or www.bucuriadarului.ro



The Wednesday morning Drop-In 25th February 2026

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 – Thursday 26th February 2026

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

Advance Dates.

Sunday 8th March. AGM @ 12pm following the service.

Please see attached details of two volunteer post to be considered by members at our AGM meeting.

Collection for the Food Bank. – Urgent Appeal

In response to a specific request from Food Bank, during any given month we will endeavour to collect certain items rather than just lots of different things (Food Bank get given lots of baked beans – for instance). Please see attached list for suggestions of items to donate.

All the years we have supported Food Cupboard and now Food Bank, members of Christ Church have been very generous. Please do not feel you have to do this but it is part of our community outreach as a church.

Please place items in the grey box in the coffee lounge thank you. Regards Maggie.

Eco Tip February 2026

Carbon Fast for Lent



As Christians we are encouraged to fast during Lent.

Following last month's eco tip to calculate your carbon footprint, A Rocha is suggesting that we take part in the Carbon Fast for Lent.

The challenge is to live more simply and reduce your carbon footprint. Each week will feature a different theme to help us take climate action.

You can sign up to take part by following this link where you will also find more details: climatestewards.org/resources/carbon-fast

There is more information about the A Rocha 'Carbon Fast for Lent' in the form of a poster which is attached to the email.

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 if you'd like to.

Administrator for the SEP. Helen Eaton 01908 382458 or sburyepadm@gmail.com

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

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

Christ Church web site: Please take a look 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.