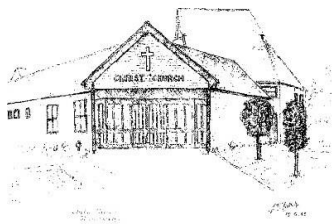


CHRIST CHURCH, STANTONBURY
STANTONBURY ECUMENICAL PARTNERSHIP
Anglican, Baptist, Methodist, United Reformed Church.



Meeting God – Following Jesus – Serving People

Christ Church Service, Family Worship – Sunday 9th August 2026 @ 10.30am

You are invited to come to Christ Church on Sunday 9th August when our Family Worship will be led by Helen Rouse.

The readings are from Psalm 85: 8-end. 1Kings 19: 9-18 and Matthew 14:22-33.

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 16th August Christ Church family worship will be led by John and Jenny Boxwell.

Sunday 23rd August Christ Church family worship with Communion will be led by Rev Peter Ballantine.

Sunday 30th August is the next **SEP joint service** which is being held **at Christ Church this service will start at 11am.**

Housegroups Have now finished for the summer and will recommence in September.

Wednesday Group at 7.30pm – 9pm contact Roger Gander (01908 312162)

(In person meeting)

Thursday Group at 6.00 pm - 7.30pm Contact Richard Solly (01908 317392)

(On zoom meeting)

The Wednesday morning Drop-In 12th August June 2026

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

(There will be no Drop in on Wednesday 19th or Wednesday 26th August.)

Under 5s – has finished for the summer and will recommence in September.

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: Cis Jones, Jean Wood & Peter Wood, Peter Thorpe, Joseph Coward (relative of Maggie's), Josh (Steve and Penny's grandson) and Maggie Prisk.

Please remember the family and friends of Paul Baxter (parish Councillor) .

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

Pray for the people of Afghanistan, Ukraine, Israel and Gaza, Iran and Lebanon and the Arab countries around the Med.

Coffee and Cake – Saturday 15th August 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 August and September 2026, the charity we are supporting is –

Advantage Africa

Advantage Africa helps vulnerable children and adults in East Africa to reach their potential, overcome prejudice, work their way out of poverty and become self-reliant.

www.advantageafrica.org



Please see attached notice from Sharon re the Homeless Soup Run Revival

This was cancelled due to covid, and we have now been given the go ahead to recommence this from MK Council. For full details please see attached notice in the email.

Collection for the Food Bank.

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). Suggestion list attached to email. 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

CofE Oxford Diocese Safeguarding Training courses

in person/ Group participation

Saturday September 5th, 2026

Delivered by The Stantonbury Ecumenical Partnership

At St Lawrence, Bradwell church, Vicarage Rd, Bradwell Village, MK3 9AG.

Morning

Basic awareness course will be delivered 10am - Midday

Afternoon

Foundation safeguarding course will be delivered 1pm- 3.30pm.

To book a place please contact Ann Amos directly at amosann799@gmail.com or let your local church safeguarding officer/church warden know to book you on through Ann, as it will be helpful to know how many people will be attending for arranging the number of handouts needed and also for your named attendance certificate to be issued from the Oxford Diocese safeguarding team. If you are booking through a church officer, please ensure they include your email address so you can be sent confirmation of a place and pre course information.

Advance Notice

Saturday 22nd August Afternoon Tea event being held at Cross and Stable. Members of all our churches are welcome to attend. Please see attached poster for full details.

Heritage Week (**20th September**). This year the Service will be supported by the Woburn Sands Training Band.

Eco tip for August 2026

People's Emergency Briefing

On 27 November 2025, ten of the UK's leading experts briefed an invited audience of more than 1,200 politicians and leaders from business, culture, faith, sport and the media in Westminster.

The briefing set out the implications of climate and nature breakdown for health, food systems, national security and the economy, and did so on the public record.

Its purpose was to demonstrate what a clear, evidence-led National Emergency Briefing could look like and why it is needed.

The People's Emergency Briefing brings together people in local communities to hear the evidence and discuss how to respond. In Milton Keynes, the faith communities are invited to a screening at the Church of Christ the Cornerstone, co-hosted by Churches Together in MK and the MK Eco Church Network.



Date for the Diary: 13th September, 2.00-4.00pm, Screening of the People's Emergency Briefing film, for the faith community at Christ the Cornerstone, followed by discussion.

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.

An administrator, Helen Eaton, has been appointed to be the single point of contact for our Partnership of churches for e.g. funeral and marriage enquiries. She can be contacted on 01908 382458; her working hours are usually between 10 and 12, Monday to Friday and her email address is sburyepadm@gmail.com

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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.