



WELCOME TO
AYLESBURY METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday 1st March 2020

**10.30am: Service of Holy Communion led by
Rev Hayford Ofori-Attah**

**A very warm welcome to Aylesbury Methodist Church.
We hope that you will be blessed and challenged by today's message.**

**If you are visiting our Church for the first time, please introduce
yourself to one of our welcomers, or to one of the stewards, who,
at this morning's service are Elaine Hope and Gill Marks.**

**Please join us in the Hall after the service for coffee or tea
and a biscuit. Your hosts are Margaret and Jean, and
donations are for the Spinal Injuries Association.**

**The words of the hymns are projected at the front of the Church.
If you would like to have a hymnbook for the service, please ask.**

Hymns	StF 6 467 638 338 596
Readings	Romans 5: 12-19 Matt 4: 1-11
Organist	Derrick Matthews
Preludes	Intrada - Ireland Hold us Lord to your word - Buxtehude Interlude - Stanley
Offertory	Tranquil Miniature - Parry
Postlude	By Adam came our fall - Bach

**There will be a retiring collection for the Benevolent Fund
this morning, after the service.**

Ron Thrift's funeral will take place on Thursday 19th March, 10.30am, at Watermead Crematorium. If anyone needs a lift, please contact Pauline Noble 01296 484940

Some people will remember Peter Walpole. He used to sing with the choir, as well as helping round the Church. We have just been told that he sadly died last year after a short illness.

Daffodil Day: Tomorrow - **March 2nd 2020** at Methodist Central Hall, Westminster. For details please see the poster on the notice board.

Richard's next 'morning' will be **Wednesday 4th March**, when he will be in the Church, Welcome Space or office if you would like to talk to him.

Youth Group: Wed 4th March, 6.15–7.30pm: SINGING!!



I have managed to reserve some seats at The Mill, Sonning, for the matinee performance of their Christmas musical 'Top Hat' on Sunday 6th December. The full cost, to include your 2-course lunch, the show and coach travel, will be £70. However, to book a space, £35 needs to be paid now and the £35 balance in October. If you are interested, please speak to Gill Marks 01296 748659 as soon as possible.

MESSY CHURCH! Next Saturday 7th March: 4pm - 6pm.

We would love to see some more families at Messy Church. Why not invite your **Grandchildren** to attend and come along too? It would be wonderful to see you!



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER: Next FRIDAY 6th March 2020.

See full details on leaflets in the display cabinet in the Welcome Space.

Learn & Play Mahjong: Join us for a relaxing evening of Mahjong, the traditional Chinese game for four people. It is a social and fun game and no previous knowledge or experience required; it is easy to learn.

We meet every fortnight and **our next game will be on Friday, 6 March** in Room 2 at 7.30 pm at Aylesbury Methodist Church.

If you would like to join us, please contact Pat or Andy Seehusen at mynameispat@hotmail.com, aseehusen@yahoo.co.uk, or 07766235209.

2020 CHURCH DIRECTORY: The new directory, which contains contact details and photographs of almost all the church congregation, is now ready for printing. If you would like a copy, contact the Church office, Pauline Noble or Peter Farmer. To meet the costs of producing the directory, modest donations would be appreciated.



AMC & Friends Coach trip - Royal Albert Hall, Sunday afternoon June 7th. **'Let's Face the Music'** - an excellent concert of popular musical from the Hollywood Musicals with the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra and soloists. Coach leaving the Church at 12.15 p.m. with further pickups Bedgrove & Wendover. **Cost (including 35% early booking discount) £51.60** including excellent seats in the stalls. Booking forms in the Church Welcome area or phone/email Pauline Noble 01296 484940 / 61paulinenoble@gmail.com

On **Saturday, 11 April**, Pat Martin Seehusen and Andy Seehusen will be walking 25 kms along the Thames **to raise money for Alzheimer's Society**. Pat's mum lived with the disease for 9 years, and for most of that time was not able to recognise any family and friends, and missed family celebrations such as the birth of her great grandsons. Please sponsor us to help families who have a dementia sufferer and to further research into dementia. You can donate to: justgiving.com/fundraising/patmartinseehusen or justgiving.com/fundraising/Andrew-Seehusen1 or, if you prefer, you can give your donation to one of us. Thank you, in advance, for your support.

Anyone wishing to suggest an amendment to the provisional legislation in the **God in Love Unites Us report needs to send these to Richard by 5 March, please**. This is also the deadline for anyone wishing to express a strong view either for or against, as the Circuit will be sending a comment on the revealed strength of opinion. If you need help or clarification please speak to Richard as soon as possible

The next LINK magazine will be the March - April 2020 issue. Please send in all contributions by NEXT Friday 6th March 2020 to both addresses below:

Jennie Torpey: jennietorpey@gmail.com

AMC Office: office@aylesburymethodists.org.uk

Ideally, please send as an A4 WORD document, with 2cm margins and 14 - 16pt size font





LENT: For Lent this year, we shall be supporting Christian Aid 'Count your Blessings 2020'. Booklets are from the display stand IN THE Welcome Space

The new **Spring/Summer Traidcraft catalogue** is now in the display stand in the Welcome Space – all details for ordering are inside. Do have a look! ***We are just coming to the end of Fairtrade Fortnight (24th Feb -8 March), but our support for Fairtrade is, of course, an ongoing objective!!***



Our Circuit Afternoon/Evening Services

Swanbourne	5.00pm	Rev Donna Broadbent-Kelly: Communion Service
Weedon	6.00pm	Rev Richard Atkinson: Communion Service at Weedon Chapel House

Next Week

Mon	2 Mar	6.15pm	Girls' Brigade
Tues	3 Mar	2.30pm 6.15pm	Tuesday Fellowship: Mrs Frankie Fisher Boys' Brigade
Wed	4 Mar	2.00pm 6.15pm	Bible Study Youth Group: SINGING!
Thurs	5 Mar	10.00am 2.00pm	Sunbeams Baby & Toddler Group In Stitches Craft Group
Frid	28 Feb	6.00pm 7.30pm	FRIDAY FOOD in the Welcome Space Music Group Practice

Sunday 8th March 2020
10.30am: Family & Brigades Service
led by Rev Richard Atkinson

The designated fire officers are the Duty Stewards

First Aid boxes are located in each of the kitchens

**Fire doors are not to be wedged open, except those fitted with Dorgard
(Please ensure other doors close behind you after passing through)**

Duty Manager - John Miskin: 01296 422919 07988 960815



'GOOD NEWS' FROM AROUND THE CIRCUIT

PRINCES RISBOROUGH

Dear All,

This Sunday, 1 March, it is the turn of Princes Risborough to be the focus of our Circuit Prayers. A look at the website shows a bright, well cared-for chapel, displaying a friendly, warm environment that enhances worship and provides a warm welcome for visitors. There are also lots of activities during the week, and that same warm welcome will greet you whichever day you choose to go - do give it a try, and please remember the fellowship here in your prayers on Sunday.



Pete

On March 29th we will be celebrating our church anniversary here in Princes Risborough. Our service, which will be led by the Rt. Hon Lord Boateng, will be followed by a lunch, which is an excellent time of fellowship among members and friends.

We continue to have good links with the other churches in the town: regular joint services with the Anglican and Baptist churches take place, and throughout Lent some of us will be attending an ecumenical Lent course.

A Prayer Circle was started up late last year and this is now becoming firmly established, with more people putting in requests for prayers.

We also hold occasional Prayer Breakfasts and coffee mornings which all are welcome to attend.

Please pray for our congregation and for all our activities.

Marilyn

Creating a Culture of Invitation in your Church

A day workshop to help explore and equip churches for growth

Led by Michael Harvey

Author of *Unlocking Church Growth*

Saturday 7th March 2020, 10am – 3pm

Chipping Norton Methodist Church

Lunch provided. Free Admission

Booking is essential.

Contact: Rev Soba Sinnathamby 01608 642256

EVENTS COMING UP!!



ACTS 29 - Circuit Children's and Youth Event: 'Radically Changing the Story'

For 8 - 17 year-olds. **Saturday 4th April:** 1pm - 8pm at Rugby.

Please contact Mel for more details: familyworker.amc@mail.com

SOS: March 21st - All a Board: No it's not about trains! If you need a Cluedo about this evening's Trivial Pursuit you might not have the Monopoly. If you are ready to Scrabble out of the Draughts into the warmth of Margaret and John's home, we will meet to play board games. As we are sitting and playing, perhaps finger food is the best, Back Gammon sandwich anyone? 7:30pm start time, contact number 422919. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

'BEATIE'S CHARITY BASH 2020': FAITH BUFFET TEA

on Saturday 28th March 2020, 5.00 - 7.30pm.

A fundraising event for charities and a chance to get together for a chat!



It will be very informal and **all are welcome.**

NO CHARGE, but we ask everyone to bring **FOOD TO SHARE**
and also to make a **DONATION** on the evening if possible
- we shall have donation buckets available.

Please let either Beatie or Jennie know that you're coming, and an idea of what food you'll bring! We need to have some idea of numbers.

[Details and ideas in **LINK** magazine]

Beatie Francis (421505) * Jennie Torpey (581414)



April 12th Easter Sunday Breakfast: A full English Breakfast* cooked and served by the SOS team is the way we have been starting our Easter Sunday celebration for many years, and today is no different. Tickets will be on sale during Lent or ring 420817 to book your place. We are again raising funds for the Whitechapel Mission. * a vegetarian alternative is available