



WELCOME TO
**AYLESBURY METHODIST
CHURCH**

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Sunday 24th April 2022

**10.30am: Morning Worship
led by Mr John Shaw.**

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 stewards, who, this morning,
are Gill Nord and Matilda Phiri.

Please join us in the Hall after the service
for coffee or tea and a biscuit.

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 297 272 347 489 418
Readings	John 20: 19-31 Acts 5: 27-32
Organist	David Brooker
Streaming	To safeguard children and any vulnerable adults, our live-streamed services will not show the congregation.

If your little ones (age 3 and under) become restless during services, you are welcome to take them into the creche room in the Welcome Area to play. The service can be heard from there.

All children MUST be accompanied.



The flowers this week are given by Jill and Jackson Donnan
in memory of Jill's mother,

FAMILY NEWS

A Service of Thanksgiving for the life of Michael Clark will take place at Aylesbury Methodist Church on Wednesday, 4th May 2022 at 2.00pm, followed by refreshments in the Hall. All are welcome.

Offers of cakes would be welcome – please let Margaret Miskin know.

EASTER OFFERING: Two weeks ago you will have received an Easter Offering envelope. The money collected will go to the work of the World Church supporting Mission Partners and Nationals in Mission all over the world. This is the first collection for 2 years; the work has carried on but the future depends on our generosity. This collection by the women of the Methodist Church has a long history and normally forms a very large part of the World Church budget. Envelopes may be returned over the next 2 weeks. Thank you in anticipation Ruth Watkins.



Spare envelopes are available from the display cabinet in the Welcome Space.



Thank you to those who supported **World Day of Prayer 2022** on 4th March. Numbers attending were lower than in previous years, with 36 attending the afternoon service, and 15 in the evening; however, this did not detract from the event. Donations were generous, with a total of £306.98.



NEXT Saturday 30th April 2022 at 7.30pm

Karibuni Children Spring Concert.

Featuring Wycombe Orpheus Male Voice Choir.

Hopefully there will be a good turnout to hear the Wycombe Male Voice Choir next Saturday!

I would be very grateful for any offers of cakes to enjoy with tea or coffee during the interval, please.

Just let me know if you are able to help.

Many thanks, Joy Murphy. 01296 428319.





A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY!!
ACTION FOR CHILDREN QUIZ
Saturday 15th October 2022, 7.00pm.

One or two people have been asking about responding to the Ukraine crisis. In particular I have received advice from Methodist Church House about folk who want to offer accommodation to Ukrainian refugees. This says:

'Those who registered to host a refugee as individuals will receive an email informing them of the next steps. We are yet to see the content of that letter but it is likely/possible that it will say - 'speak to your local church/faith leader if you would like help in the match process'.

It is still very vague, but if folk have registered or would like to know more before doing so, please talk to me and I will pass on what I have received. I suspect that once refugees start to arrive locally there may be requests for help in terms of language support, clothes, toys etc.

I will keep you posted but we are having to deal with what some have called 'a slow government response'! Thanks, Richard.

We are holding a **Foundation level Safeguarding training course on Thursday May 5th at 2.00 pm in Aylesbury Methodist Church Hall**. The training will last for 2 hours or so. If you are required to attend for training or a refresher, please book your place early so that we can get the course materials to you. Reading through the materials before the course enables us to go through the factual material quickly and gives us more time for discussion. Please book your place with Arthur Sara.

Phone 01296 484310 or email: arthursara996@gmail.com

Prayer Requests. If you have requests for people or situations to be included in the prayers, there is a Prayer Request folder in the display cabinet in the Welcome Space for you to write in, or you could let Richard know in advance.

Our **Prayer Group** also meets on alternate Tuesdays, 10.45-12noon, and are very happy to receive prayer requests. They would also welcome anyone who would like to join them. Please email Ruby:

rubydarku@hotmail.co.uk



Do, please continue to donate to the Food Bank.

A Collection box is in the Welcome Space.

Particularly needed at the moment are:

Tinned fish/soup/tomatoes/fruit. Longlife milk & fruit juice. Steamed puddings & custard. Toiletries are always needed. Many thanks for your continuing support.

We would also appreciate any spare supermarket plastic bags.

Daily **'Thought For The Day'** videos can be seen on both the AMC website and Vale of Aylesbury Methodist Circuit website in the *News* section of the *Home* page. They average about 4 minutes each and are by Richard, his team of local preachers, and some new contributors. Excellent, and well worth watching!!

[Past ones are still available if you wish to see them]

<https://www.aylesburymethodists.org.uk/>

<https://www.aylesburyvale.org.uk/>



Next Week

Mon	25 April	6.15pm	Girls' Brigade
Tues	26 April	6.00pm	Boys' Brigade
Frid	29 April	2.00pm	AMC Social Badminton Club
Sat	30 April	7.30pm	Karibuni Concert

Sunday 1st May 2022

10.30am: Morning Worship 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 - (Kevin Hardern: 01296 481285 Mobile: 07785 950 702)



'GOOD NEWS' FROM AROUND THE CIRCUIT



WEEDON

Dear All

This Sunday, it is the turn of Weedon to be the focus of our Circuit Prayers. Sarah very neatly captures the thoughts of so many of us below as she reminds us how blessed we are, with so much to be thankful for in the midst of a world where many people are not so fortunate. The news from Ukraine is very disturbing and such a contrast to the values that we believe our world should live by, and whilst we feel frustrated that we cannot do more to help, we can feel a certain pride that so many in our circuit have responded to the pleas for help and offered gifts from their treasure alongside their prayers.

Please remember the fellowship in this lovely chapel this Sunday and pray both for them and for those in such desperate circumstances. Pete.

We feel very fortunate at Weedon to have weathered the storm of Covid, and despite many members of our small congregation succumbing to the virus, nothing has put us off attending our regular Sunday services and at our partner church in Hardwick. For that we are extremely grateful and we thank the Lord for blessing us all with relatively good health and minor symptoms.

As a church, we pray continuously for the lives and wellbeing of all those in Ukraine affected by the atrocities there. May their suffering and trauma be limited and may they find sanctuary and peace. We are mindful that many scars are not physical and we ask, Lord, that you embrace all of these people and the young soldiers who are being asked by their countries to fight in armed combat. We pray for the conflict to end and we ask you to protect them from the mental images and wounds that so often mar young lives.

At Weedon we were fortunate to be able to offer the Chapel as a collection point for aid organised by the Association of Ukrainians in Great Britain, and we were delighted that so many villagers and churchgoers were so generous in their donations which went off straight away for distribution at the Ukrainian border.

We had a lovely service on Palm Sunday led by John Shaw, a good friend of Weedon, and he reminded us of the virtues of the crowds at Jesus's triumphal entry into Jerusalem: obedience, humility and courage. Lord, let us all exhibit such qualities at occasions which mean something special to us, and may we be able soon to meet each other in crowds for special events without fear of illness.

We gave particular thanks to Judy Nagele, who, as well as providing us with superb tea and cakes after each service, kindly stepped in on Palm Sunday to cater wonderfully for a group of Lent walkers who finished their walk at the Chapel. And anyone who hasn't tried one of Judy's amazing cakes or biscuits should come along to the next service....we can always say a prayer of thanks for good cake!

Blessings to you all. Sarah.

Karibuni Children Spring Concert 7-30pm Saturday 30th April 2022



Wycombe Orpheus Male Voice Choir is nationally recognised for the quality of its performances, which include such venues as The Royal Albert Hall, The London Guild Hall, The Mansion House, Millennium Centre, Cardiff and various cathedrals and theatres in England and Wales

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(High Wycombe Orpheus Male Voice Choir, Reg. Charity No: 298518)

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