



WELCOME TO
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Sunday 26th June 2022

10.30am: Morning Worship led by Rev Richard Atkinson.

**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, do introduce yourself to
one of our stewards, who, this morning, are
Elaine Hope and Frances Aylen.**

**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 346 363 362 489 418
Readings	Mark 10: 13-16 Matthew 11: 25-30
Organist	Derrick Matthews
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 Olwen & Cliff Darlington
in celebration of their 67th Wedding Anniversary.**



We welcome the family and friends of Frankie Bartum and Jude Sheeran, who are to be baptised this morning.

THIS EVENING at 5pm

You are warmly invited to

Swanbourne Barn Service

led by Rev Richard Atkinson
at Brises Farm, Nearton End.

Teas served in the Chapel from 3pm in aid of Karibuni Children.

ALL ARE WELCOME!

OUR CHURCH FAMILY:

Linda Strain is recovering well after her recent operation and would like to thank everyone for their kind messages and prayers over the last couple of weeks.

Pat Olde is at present in Buckingham Community Hospital and sends her love and greetings to all she knows.

Jean Parkhurst remains in Parkfield House Nursing Home, Uxbridge at present. If you'd like to write or send a card, Jennie Torpey has the address.

Dave Rogers had a fall and a visit to A&E last Monday, resulting in a black eye and 5 staples in his forehead.

If any individuals or churches would like to contribute to a leaving gift for the Rev Romilly Micklem, I have details for bank transfers or to where cheques can be sent. His last service is on July 17th so any monies in advance of then would be welcome. Blessings, Richard Atkinson.

We plan to hold a **CAKE & PLANT SALE** in the Hall after the service on **Sunday 17th July**, and would be very grateful for offers of cakes/home produce/plants to sell.

We can collect them, if needed!

Jennie Torpey 251414, Pauline Noble 484940



Please would members of the congregation be reminded of the rule that food and drinks should not be taken into the main church.

For those with access to the office: Has anyone mislaid some money while in the office recently or in the past? Please speak to me by no later than Monday 4th July otherwise it will be donated to church funds. Shirley.

Front Doors: There have been a couple of reports that the automatic outer sliding doors have opened when triggered by the sensors, even though they are in 'locked' mode. If anyone experiences such a problem, please could you make a note of the date and time of the specific action/fault and let Paul Ingram or Kevin Hardern know: paulmingram@tiscali.co.uk kevin@elmgables.com. Thank you, Paul.

We have four Church members walking for charity: Derek Adams, Edith & Solo Awadzi, and Phil Richards. Please read their details and consider whether you are are to support them.

The information about their walks is on the insert, along with the latest update on Derek Adams' sponsored Walk Around the Coat of Britain.



Do, please continue to donate to the Food Bank.

A Collection box is in the Welcome Space.

Next Week

Mon	27 June	6.00pm	Girls' Brigade
Tues	28 June	10.45am 6.00pm	Prayer Group Boys' Brigade
Thurs	30 June	10.00am 1.15pm onwards	Sunbeams Baby & Toddler Group Blood Donor sessions
Frid	1 July	2.00pm	Social Badminton Club

Sunday 3rd July 2022

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

CHEDDINGTON

Dear All

This Sunday, 26 June, it is the turn of Cheddington to be the focus of our Circuit Prayers. It is inspiring to read Cathy's words below on the way the Chapel is reaching out into the community. No talk here of sitting inside, waiting for people to venture in. The gospel is taken out into the community at every possible opportunity, in ways that are relevant, helpful and successful, in delivering the love of Jesus in a meaningful and unmistakable form that speaks to everyone it touches. Please remember our brothers and sisters here in your prayers this Sunday. Pete



Our Chapel, in the centre of the village, allows us to offer the use of our building to many village groups. We have recently become the location for the weekly Area Health Authority baby/toddler clinic.

Last month we were able to be the collection point for food donations to Ukraine, and almost 60 boxes were packed and dispatched for onward transmission.

During the Jubilee weekend, when our Chapel was open for 3 days, we held an exhibition each afternoon for the History Society; decorated the outside with pebbles painted by local children; hosted 'Tea on the Green' while the choir sang from our front steps; and on Sunday afternoon some local musicians, playing from our forecourt, entertained us with a fitting finale for our village celebrations.

Each event at our building gives us an opportunity to bring people into our building, which for many is their first contact with Christianity.

Our regular church ventures continue to flourish and our Friday morning Open Doors is flourishing and is attracting new members.

Each One, Reach One continues to be our motto, and with God's help we will continue to soldier on, despite our small, ageing congregation.

As always, many thanks for your prayers.

Cathy



Edith and Solo are doing a **5-mile Farewell Midnight Walk 2022** to raise money for **Florence Nightingale Hospice** on the **16th July**. Please support us by visiting

www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Edith-Awadzi1

to donate, or ask Edith or Solo for a sponsorship form. Thanks in advance.

I am doing the **Yorkshire 3 Peaks Challenge on the 17th July**, covering the 3 highest peaks in Yorkshire, and walking around 25 miles in 12 hours. I am doing this in memory of a work colleague who died suddenly of a heart attack. We are doing this to support one of his favourite charities, **Talkback UK**, who support people with autism.



If anyone would like to make a donation via Just Giving, all money pledged goes straight to the charity. I can be emailed at philrichards40@gmail.com for more information, or people can donate at www.justgiving.com/phil-richards6

SPONSORED WALK AROUND THE COAST OF BRITAIN.

Derek Adams has started his walk to raise funds for both the **RNLI and the NHS**. He hopes to walk around the Coast of Britain, but, being 80 this year, is doing it in stages, starting on June 6th at Lee-on-the-Solent, for approximately 5 weeks on this first leg, all being well. *Any sponsorship would be much appreciated*, and can be arranged online via: JustGiving.com/team/DEREKtreksBRITAIN



Or you can give a cash donation to his wife, Sue.

Latest update on Derek's sponsored Walk Around the Coast of Britain.

Derek arrived at my old school friend Jo's in Ramsgate just ahead of the heatwave. This was excellent timing as she looked after him very well; after 3 nights there I did begin to wonder if he would ever come back to Aylesbury!

On the Friday they visited the Ramsgate Life Boat Station, and Jo, who is very proud of Ramsgate, showed him the 'Sights' and introduced him to many people, including Brenda Blythen who now lives there.

When it had cooled off a bit he walked to just beyond Margate, then returned to Jo's for evening meal, and B&B! On Sunday, he attended a United Methodist service, where naturally he chatted with the congregation, and was pleased to increase his sponsorship with a few donations - this boy does not miss a trick! He caught a bus to Margate, then walked to Whitstable, and bussed back to Jo's for evening meal, B&B - see what I mean about maybe not seeing him again?

Monday 20th June: He took his rucksack with him, bussed to Whitstable, spent some time in Faversham, then, after taking his life in his hands walking along the A2, someone stopped to offer him a lift, which he gratefully accepted. He tells me that on his walk from Margate all the way to Gravesend he could hear the loud bangs of the guns doing firing practice out to sea. from Shoeburyness.

I think it was the following day he arrived in Rochester, and could find no availability for a room for the night, except in a Wetherspoons where the 3 young lady receptionists informed him that they could not check him in - he needed to book on-line! Having failed to find a bed in Rochester, he moved on to Gravesend for the night. In Gravesend he made a point of visiting the Church of St George where Pocahontas is buried. He met the Rev Jim Fletcher and enjoyed a lengthy chat with him. Jim has kindly e-mailed me today to say he met with Derek and that he is well.

This morning he took the ferry across the Thames at Tilbury, and was pleased to learn, when he offered his fare, that if he had a bus pass, he could use that. He has been very grateful for his bus pass lately, but wasn't expecting to be able to use it on a ferry! On disembarking from Tilbury he went down the new walkway commemorating the Windrush Generation. There are celebrations ongoing this week to commemorate the 70th anniversary of the first group of people from the Caribbean arriving here to make a new life, at the request of the Government of the day, to help rebuild Britain following the 2nd world war. Derek met up with about 15 Jamaicans there for that reason.

From Tilbury he enjoyed the walk past Tilbury Fort and Coalhouse Fort, but not long after encountered marsh land and difficult terrain which meant he had to go inland a bit. He then found himself on the edge of a traveller encampment of about 50 vans. The whole site was ringed by ferocious dogs on long leashes, each carefully measured so they did not quite touch each other. The dogs went mad at Derek, of course. The difficult terrain continued until he came to a brand new, what he described as, "Spaghetti Junction" - his maps are a bit dated - and he had no idea where he was at that point. A van drew up beside him and asked him where he was going, and he said the Southend. The van driver said, "You don't want to be walking around here, it's not safe. I'm going to Basildon, I'll take you to the bus station there." This he kindly did, and, using his trusty bus pass, Derek arrived in a rather depressing Southend, where he is staying tonight.

Derek passes on his love and best regards to all his friends at AMC, and grateful thanks to those who have sponsored him. Sue Adams.