

WELCOME TO

AYLESBURY METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday 26th May 2024

This Church is God's house.
God loves and welcomes you
whoever you are, whatever
your age, gender, mental
health, physical ability, race,
sexuality or financial situation.
You are welcome here,
whatever your circumstances;
however much or little you
wish to engage; whatever you
feel about faith.

10.30am: Morning Worship led by Mr Peter Honeyball.

If you are visiting our Church for the first time, do introduce yourself to one of our stewards, who, today, are Derek Adams and Elaine Hope.

Please join us in the Hall after the service for tea, coffee, 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 20 513 370 527 440
Readings	Romans 8: 12-17 John 3: 1-17
Organist	Derrick Matthews
Streaming	To safeguard children and any vulnerable adults, our live-streamed services will not show the congregation.



If your little ones (up to age 3) 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 by an ADULT.

FAMILY NEWS:

Brenda Horne is thankfully now back home, recuperating very slowly, and not yet ready for visitors for a while. We continue to remember Brenda in our prayers; also Allan, Caroline and Alastair who are caring for Brenda so well.

As you will have heard, a long-standing member of our congregation, Dennis Philips, died recently. His funeral will be held here on Tuesday, 28th May at 11am. Dennis's favourite seat was always at the rear of the church on the side. Our prayers are with his family and friends.



Last week we celebrated **CHRISTIAN AID SUNDAY** and there was a collection for their vital work.

Please continue to hand in your collection envelopes over the next couple of weeks. There are some spare

envelopes in the display cabinet in the Welcome Space.

If you are able, please complete the Gift Aid declaration, which allows the charity to claim back the tax paid on your donation, at no extra cost to you.



Wednesday 5th June sees our next Lunch Club, when Derek and Steve will be putting on their aprons and serving you Jacket Potatoes with a mild Chilli from 12.30pm (Lynn and I are out for the day). Please support the boys and sign up - the list is available in the hall this morning, or give Gill a call on 01296

748659 and leave a message.

Karibuni Children Summer Fayre.

This year our Fayre will be on **Saturday 15th June,**

12.30 to 4.00pm

at Weston Turville Village Hall.



Karibuni Children

Everyone is warmly invited; we'll be delighted to see you there, enjoying the entertainment and spending money on the delights on the various stalls.

We would be very grateful for cakes for the cake stall, please.

If you can't get to the event, I will be happy to take them with me.

Thank you so much for all your support. Joy Murphy.

FANTASTIC ORGAN CONCERT. Once again, we were treated to a most enjoyable evening. The prominent concert organist Daniel Moulton introduced an attractive programme and gave a virtuosic performance, at times touching the impossible but never sacrificing the musicality!

A profit of **£257.00** has been passed to ACM property maintenance.

My gratitude to all who helped, and supported the event. Derrick.



HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to the 4 boys in our Junior Section who came 10th out of 265 in the annual International Team Games. Some of the companies who took part were from Australia, Ghana, South Africa, Thailand and New Zealand.

Our best result in all the years that we have taken part.

We are so proud of our boys. Well done! Margaret and Eddie.

Our next Messy Church is on Saturday 1st June at 3.45pm.

Our theme is 'Love Your World'.

There will be lots of exciting activities and games to take part in. Let us know if you're coming, by emailing amc22messychurch@gmail.com by **Thursday 30th May**, so we know how many to make tea for.



It's a real family event so do please come along together.



Monday's Food Hub a couple of weeks ago:

Photo shows three guests, and, in the middle, are the prospective Labour MP for Aylesbury Laura Kyrke-Smith and a member of the committee of the local Labour Party. They asked to come and see how we

worked, and if they could meet our guests, who were 'more than delighted' to tell them what they thought of politics!

Just received this message from Laura:

"Thanks so much for having us along! Really interesting to speak to people there, and congrats for the brilliant work you're all doing".

It was an interesting and enjoyable night. The highlight had to be when she called out "Is there anyone who doesn't want to be in any photographs taken tonight?" and one of our service users shouted back: "I don't mind, but can I keep my clothes on this time?". Classic! Karen.

Tuesday 4th June, 2.30pm: TUESDAY FELLOWSHIP

A display of dressmaking with Claudette James

Come along for a cup of tea or coffee, a biscuit and a chat!

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Please ring the bell for Room 4, to be met in the reception area.

For more information, contact Coral Soulsby: 01296 707298.

Fred Ireland will be preaching his last service before he retires, on **Sunday 28th July, 10am, at Long Hanborough Methodist Church, Witney, OX29 8JX.** Although he doesn't want any fuss, his daughter Rachel knows he would be really pleased to see some old friends from AMC.

*** A reminder that Richard Atkinson is currently on Sabbatical until July 8th 2024.**

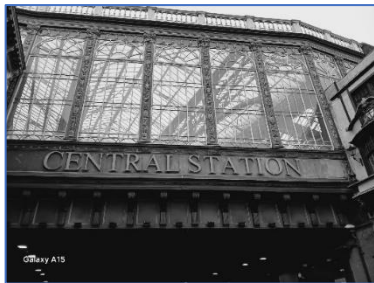
For pastoral concerns, please contact either:

Rev Heegon Moon: 01844 698237, heegon5@gmail.com or

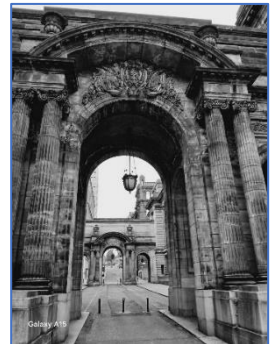
Rev Noreen Daley-Lee: 01525 240083, noreendaley1@hotmail.com

DEREK TREKS BRITAIN (continued)

Leg 7, day 28. Thursday 16th May.



Our wanderer took the opportunity to explore some of Glasgow this morning - and he's getting creative with his phone-camera photography now, having discovered the black-and-white option.



This was all before meeting some old family friends, Sue and Mel, for some food and a catch-up. They then drove him to Helensburgh RNLi station to get some of his coastal walking in. Sadly, no-one at the station when he got there; this will be his last station on this leg, and the 163rd RNLi station he has visited so far on his coastal walk!!

He walked from Helensburgh RNLI - about 2 miles North of Helensburgh itself - down to Dumbarton today. On the way he could look back to Holy Loch. In 1961, the US Navy were permitted to use the Loch as a base for nuclear submarines. As a member of the CND (Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament), our intrepid explorer remembers venturing up to Scotland to offer a less than enthusiastic welcome to our American allies! A move which was met with similar 'enthusiasm' by the Scottish police!



Leg 7, Day 29. Wednesday 17th May - the final day of walking for Leg 7!

A brief report tonight as our Hero hurries off to celebrate the end of this Leg with cousins Gemma, Ian and Young Rowan. A bite to eat, chill and relax before facing his long journey home tomorrow.

His day started with a bus to Dumbarton, and from here he walked back the 12 miles to Glasgow. This was largely along the banks of the River Clyde, mainly industrialised.

Photo: Dumbarton Castle secure atop of a puy. Puy's are basically the inner core of an extinct volcano, the softer rocks that had enclosed it having worn away. Named, and more commonly found in France. This near impregnable fortress is believed to be the



longest occupied place in Great Britain.

Glasgow is a city of bridges. From each bridge you can see its companions on either side.

Leg 7. Thursday 18th May - Journey home, and summary.

Derek set off at 8 am, catching the Glasgow to Carlisle train (delayed), then bus to Tesco, closest point to M6.

8 lifts in total to arrive in Milton Keynes.

Many great people, as ever, to whom we are very grateful.

A van, 2 lorries then private cars.

Collected by long suffering wife, home by approximately 10pm.

Totals to date:

Miles trekked: **2,690**

RNLI Stations visited: **163**

Money raised so far: **£7,150** with money collected en-route yet to be paid in.

Greggs sausage rolls consumed: **lost count!** 😊

Super people encountered along the way: **simply innumerable**. Thank you all for cheering him on, and thank you all for your donations so far.

Leg 8? Certainly, but commence date not yet known.

Watch this space.

Just to remind everyone of the fundraising Derek is trying to achieve: £10,000 to be divided across his chosen three charities: RNLI (Royal National Lifeboat Institution), BHF (British Heart Foundation) and CRUK (Cancer Research UK). Any donation to get him closer to his target is very much appreciated. <https://justgiving.com/team/DEREKtreksBRITAIN>

or donations can be given direct to Derek's wife, Sue.



Commando Champion 2024
[Do you recognise this man? 😊]



'GOOD NEWS' FROM AROUND THE CIRCUIT



Karibuni Children

KARIBUNI CHILDREN

Dear All,

This Sunday, 26th May, the focus of our Circuit Prayers is on Karibuni Children. In 12th May notice sheet we heard from Joy, who visited the Karibuni Children project in Kenya, and her words are very humbling. The work of this charity is truly amazing and we are so grateful to Joy and all who work with her.

Please pray this week for all those who freely give of their time as part of their ministry for Christ, and help this wonderful charity show a whole generation of young people that we do care! Pete.

(Do read Joy's moving, but very positive, account in the 12th May notice sheet – now on the AMC website.

*And do, please, come along to **the Karibuni Children Summer Fayre on 15th June, 12.30 to 4.00pm at Weston Turville Village Hall.***


Karibuni Children

Transforming young Kenyan lives through education, empowering each child to fulfil their potential and release themselves from the cycle of poverty

Summer Fayre

Saturday 15th June - 12.30pm to 4pm
Weston Turville Village Hall, School Approach, Weston Turville, HP22 5RW

Plants, Small Business Stalls, Cakes, Children's Games, Books, Bric a Brac, Pre Loved Clothes, Kenyan Goods, Bottle Tombola, Coconut Shy, Tin Can Alley, Hoopla, Toy Tombola, Raffle, Refreshments, Cream Teas
Cash and Card Accepted

Cracklewick Morris entertain with traditional Morris dances
Join in a Zumba session at 1pm with Zumba@Rox

Say "hello" and have a selfie with
The Bucks Bear
from Bucks Radio

office@karibuni.org.uk
www.karibuni.org.uk
Charity Registration Number: 1044872

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 a steward 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

CHURCH READINGS June - August 2024:

A new sheet is now on the noticeboard, so if you are willing to join our rota for reading the lesson in Church from time to time, please sign up for the week you would like to read, with just your name (no contact details) and a steward will contact you during that week with the reading. If you have any questions, please speak to one of the stewards.

Don't forget your donations for the Aylesbury Foodbank

Currently, the need is for donations of: *UHT milk, tinned meat, fish & fruit. Sponge/rice puddings, small jars coffee, long life juices, pasta sauce, tinned meals (eg chilli, curries). Tinned soups, jam & spreads, as well as toiletries, together with washing up liquid & laundry detergent pods.*

Next Week

Mon	27 May	6.30 - 8.00pm	Food Hub
Tues	28 May	9.30am	Chair Yoga
Frid	31 May	2.30pm	Friday Feathers – Badminton Club
Sat	1 June	3.45pm	Messy Church

Sunday 2nd June 2024

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

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)