

WELCOME TO

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Sunday 27th July 2025

10.30am: Morning Worship led by S.O.S.

If you are visiting our Church for the first time, do introduce yourself to one of our stewards, who, today, are Gill Marks and Frances Aylen.

Please join us in the Hall after the service for tea, coffee, and a biscuit.
(Oat milk now available. Please ask.)

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 20 249 762 706 242 673
Readings	Luke 11: 1-4 Luke 11: 5-13
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.



Saturday 9th August 2025 to Saturday 23rd August 2025

This is a virtual relay raising money for Parkinson's UK Aylesbury Branch. If you are happy to support them then you may donate via:

<https://www.justgiving.com/page/aylesbury-branch-parkinsons-uk-1>

Thank You.

S.O.S. Saturday, August 16th

Our friends Mel and Mike have moved to Winslow, and tonight we will visit their new home for a relaxed evening in their garden. Starting at 7pm with a faith supper; please call them on 07747 021780.



Invitation to a wedding

Claire Starr will be marrying Ben Cuddihee on **Saturday 30th August**. The wedding ceremony is at this church at 12 noon. Rev Richard Atkinson will be conducting the ceremony together with Rev Fred Ireland. There will be light refreshments in the hall after the ceremony.

Claire grew up in Aylesbury Methodist Church (she first attended when she was only a week old!) and is delighted to be able to get married in the Church, amongst family, friends and church friends she has known over the years.

Claire, Ben, Pat & David warmly invite you to join us on this very special day.



Thank you to everyone who supported me in the Race for Life. We all completed the walk in just under an hour, and together we have raised **over £1600**.

Louise.



I have some spare tickets on a coach outing to **Hatfield House on Friday 12th September**. The coach will leave Whitehill at 9.00am, then onto Bedgrove for 9.15am, returning back into Aylesbury for around 5.15pm. The cost is £23 which includes a tip for the driver. If you would like to join us, please let Gill Marks know as soon as possible. Gill Marks 01296 758659.

**LAST REMINDER for orders for David Jenkins' Prayer Book
'ALL TIMES' (see details on insert).
Orders need to be with Pauline by 31st July.**



**COME & JOIN YOUR FRIENDS
FOR A LEISURELY
AFTERNOON TEA**

SATURDAY 16th AUGUST
from 2.30pm.

at the home of Elaine & Kevin Hardern,
82 Wendover Road, Aylesbury, HP21 9NJ

Sit/Natter/Eat/Enjoy a few Games/Raffle



Entry by Donation towards the work of
ACTION FOR CHILDREN

We do need numbers for catering, so **please sign the sheet that Pauline has in the Welcome Space, or phone / email Pauline or Jennie** so we know you are able to come.

Pauline: 61paulinenoble@gmail.com (01296 484940)

Jennie: jennietorpey@gmail.com (01296 581414)

Parking available at the Tennis Club – a few doors along.
A few spaces will be available in Elaine & Kevin's driveway
for those with poor mobility.

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, 10.45am-12 noon, 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

Note: Prayer Group has stopped meeting for the summer, and will begin again in early October.

Don't forget your donations for the Aylesbury Foodbank. Currently, the need is for: *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, toiletries, also washing up liquid & laundry detergent pods.*



Next Week

Mon	28 July	6.30 – 8.00pm	Food Hub
Tues	29 July	9.30am	Chair Yoga
Frid	1 Aug	2.30pm	Friday Feathers Badminton Club

Sunday 3rd August 2025

**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
1-3 Aug only: Duty Manager (Roger Kirk: 01296 415312 Mobile: 07484 392734)



'GOOD NEWS' FROM AROUND THE CIRCUIT

CIRCUIT LEADERSHIP TEAM

Dear All,

This Sunday, 27 July, the focus of our Circuit Prayers is on our Circuit Leadership Team. People often wonder what this mysterious body does, and I think the best answer is that it keeps the wheels of our circuit oiled and turning. So, what is a Leadership team?

In Acts 6 we read the following: *In those days when the disciples were increasing in number, the Grecian Jews among them began to grumble against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. So the Twelve summoned all the disciples and said, "It is unacceptable for us to neglect the word of God in order to wait on tables. Therefore, brothers, select from among you seven men confirmed to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will assign this responsibility to them and will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word."*

The Jerusalem Church founded the very first Christian Circuit Leadership Team! The writer of Acts then goes on to say: *This proposal pleased the whole group!*

The early church needed a dedicated group of people to ensure that the organisation ran smoothly and any problems that arose were swiftly and lovingly dealt with.

The Leadership Team enables our ministers to minister, our preachers to preach, and our churches to reach out into the community with the love of Christ.

Our Circuit Leadership Team still operates with the same high standards to ensure that the work of Christ is carried out as honestly and faithfully today as it was two millennia ago.

But there are major differences between the way our CLT arrives at any necessary decisions and the way in which similar bodies outside the church would answer the same problems.

Being a registered charity, we have to be very careful to ensure that any financial decisions we make are within the charity laws, and always strive to achieve the best return on money that has been given to the church; but alongside that requirement, I feel, is the need to always ensure that we behave exactly as Jesus would if he was making the decision.

We are blessed with having a vast array of talent within our CLT, but all have one thing in common: a calling to offer the love of Christ in each and every situation and to ensure that common sense and Christian love go hand in hand.

What a Team!

Please pray for our Circuit Leadership Team this week, that they may continue to enable the work of Christ in our Circuit and share in the knowledge and joy of his love. Pete.

Merciful God, we believe that you uphold and sustain all that you have made, while also lovingly giving us the freedom to live in relationship with the rest of creation. We ask your forgiveness for the ways we have abused that freedom, through what we have done and what we have left undone. We bring our lament and our longing for a renewed earth to you now. (Christian Climate Action's prayer for climate grief).

<https://prayandfastfortheclimate.org.uk/resources/>

'ALL TIMES'- Prayers for Everyday

by David Jenkins

Many will remember David, who was the Superintendent Minister of the Aylesbury Circuit for 10 years before moving to Reading in 2014 to continue his Ministry part time. He has now written a Prayer Book entitled 'All Times'. The cost to purchase a complete copy is £5.

If you would like to purchase a copy, please would you:

1. Write a cheque for **£5.00** payable to **D.G. JENKINS**
2. Together with your name, phone number and Circuit Church attended, send this to **AYLESBURY METHODIST CHURCH, BUCKINGHAM STREET**
AYLESBURY, HP20 2NQ, for the Attention of Pauline Noble
3. **The final date for receiving orders will be July 31st,** when we will order the appropriate number of Prayer Books from David, and, when collected, will distribute accordingly to each church for collection.
4. Any queries, phone Pauline on 01296 484940.

There is a sample of a few pages of the book on the notice boards.

