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.

WELCOME TO

AYLESBURY METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday 24th August 2025

10.30am: Morning Worship led by Rev Richard Atkinson.

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

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 110 92 111 107 91			
Readings	Psalm 19: 1-6 Job 38: 1-11			
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.

The flowers this week are given by Margaret and John Miskin:
"In celebration of our wedding anniversary and
remembering those no longer with us."

FAMILY NEWS.

It is with sadness that we have heard of Joyce Whitton's death. Joyce was a member of the Church Choir for many years before she moved to be nearer her family. She would have celebrated her 90th birthday this month and our love and condolences go to her family.

Paula Short would like to thank all those who have sent messages and visited Geoff since his major stroke several months ago. Obviously they are unable to attend worship, so send their good wishes to all those they know at AMC.



We will be holding an open house and garden for Breast Cancer Now **this coming Friday 29th August**. Tea/ coffee and cake will be available from 10am - 12 and

2 - 4 pm at 10 Chesterfield Close, Stone, HP17 8PY, along with some craft stalls and a tombola. Please come along and bring your friends. Many thanks, Gill and Lynn (01296 748659)

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,

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

amongst family, friends and church friends she has known over the years.



Saturday 11th October 2025
Karibuni Children Supper Quiz
7.00pm at AMC
(see poster on insert and on notice boards)

Vale of Aylesbury Circuit

'BIG SING' Service

NEXT Sunday 31st August. 6.00pm at Chinnor Methodist Church, 62 Station Road Chinnor OX39 4PZ.



Theme: 'Mission & Prayer'
Jonah 1: 1-17, 3: 1-10, and 4: 1-11

Community Hymn Singing from 5.45pm.

ALL WELCOME!

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 on to 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.

There are some large items of furniture for sale (sofas, table & chairs etc) which are in Pauline Latham's house, which has now been sold. **Andrew Latham is photographing the items with dimensions and suggested prices**. If you think you might be interested, please email Andrew on: dpasound@gmail.com and he will send you the list of items. He can also be contacted on 07776 197190.

<u>Prayer Requests.</u> 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.



<u>Our Prayer Group</u> 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	25 Aug	6.30 – 8.00pm	Food Hub
Tues	26 Aug	9.30am	Chair Yoga
Frid	29 Aug	2.30pm	Friday Feathers Badminton Club

Sunday 31st August 2025

10.30am: Morning Worship led by Rev Richard Atkinson.

5.45 for 6.00pm: 'Big Sing' Service at Chinnor Methodist Church.

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)		

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'GOOD NEWS' FROM AROUND THE CIRCUIT

Dear All.

This Sunday, 24 August, the focus of our Circuit Prayers is on Aylesbury, and Sally shares her thoughts on her time in the Methodist Church. Sadly, not everyone is as brave as Sally, and perhaps they struggle to cross the threshold,



because it can be frightening. Again, not everyone receives the same welcome as Sally, and perception is that we are sometimes cold and aloof. We pray that every person who walks into our church may find a warm and sincere welcome, and a group of people who want to radiate the love of Christ. Please remember in your prayers this week all those who struggle to fit in, and that within our fellowship they may find a safe place. Pete.

I'm not certain how long I have been coming to Aylesbury Methodist Church, maybe 3 years?

I should explain that I was baptised and brought up in the Catholic Church. Since then, I have worshipped in Church of Scotland, Church of England (where I brought up my children), Baptist Church, Quakers, Evangelical Churches, House Churches and Gospel Churches. You could say I am an itinerant worshipper. I came to AMC because I sing in the same choir as Sue and Roger, and I said to Sue one day that I had never been inside a Methodist Church. I have never looked back.

I love it here. People are friendly, but not overwhelming. There is a feeling of inclusivity that I didn't get with other churches. Because of the way the Methodist Churches are run we get a good variety of preachers who have interesting things to say and manage to get the message over succinctly. I am not left thinking, "I thought that had already been said once, perhaps I didn't understand".

There is a good variety of music; how terrific to still have several musicians who can play the organ. I have to say the fact that there are 5 hymns at each service instead of the expected 4, is a winner for me. Some old, some modern

and some that I have not previously come across. I get the impression of a lively church; there are still quite a number of children who, part way through some services, happily go off to another part of the building to learn in a different way. It is a nicely rounded church where I feel accepted without having to conform to any particular model of worshipper. Sally.

