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 7th September 2025

10.30am: Service of Holy Communion 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 28 489 495 322 576 317			
Readings	Isaiah 7: 10-17 Philippians 2: 6-11			
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.

There will be a retiring collection for the Benevolent Fund after the service this morning. Bowls will be clearly marked.



We are delighted to announce that the AYLESBURY WELCOME REPAIR CAFE will open here on Saturday, 25th October, between 09.30 and 12.30.

Thereafter, it will open every 4th Saturday of the month, except August and December.

The repair cafe will be a partnership between this church and the growing, international not-for-profit repair cafe movement, whose aim is to repair more and throw away less.

If you come along to the Welcome Coffee Bar on **Saturday 20**th **September for 10.30am**, Philippa Tipper, who has helped set up other repair cafes in the Milton Keynes area, will be here to answer questions and finalise our plans.

If you want to experience a repair cafe, the Aston Clinton one meets at St Michael's church from 9am to noon next Saturday 13th September.

If you have any questions, please let me know. Peter Green. Tel. 01296 424653. E: peterb.green@ntlworld.com.

<u>Musicals Afternoon Tea: 3.00 - 5.00 pm on Friday 19th</u> September - raising money for Florence Nightingale Hospice.

Come along to the Hospice Headquarters at Walton Lodge in Walton Street, and enjoy tea, cake and songs from the Musicals performed by Holly Jones (granddaughter of Pauline Noble) in memory of her Gramps (Tony Noble). Holly is hoping to raise £4,000 for the Hospice, and later this year will be cycling across Sri Lanka to raise more money.

Please come along to this event if you are able, and enjoy the afternoon.

Tickets are priced at £8, payable on entry.

To help costs, if anyone would be willing to bake a cake, please give your name to Pauline Noble (01296 484940).



SOS. September 13th: Join us at the home of Frances and Nick Aylen, Tel 583380. Our usual start time of 7 o'clock with a faith supper.

SOS is a group of people, some regular Church goers, others who are notit makes no difference, all are welcome. Meeting together at each other's homes and sharing a faith supper; sometimes there's a theme to base food around, other times not. The evenings usually start at 7.00pm and finish when the last person goes home; all you need to do is call the host to say that you're coming.

This Wednesday is lunch club again, and on the menu this month is Chicken Supreme, new potatoes and greens. So if you are free and would like to join us, please add your name on the list in the back coffee bar so we know how many to cater for. Looking forward to seeing you. Gill 01296 748659.



BREAST CANCER NOW Proposed to

A massive THANK YOU to all those who came along and supported our tea/coffee and cake day for Breast Cancer Now. We have so far beaten all our expectations and raised

£690 (and donations are still coming in) for this worthy cause which is very dear to many of our hearts. So thanks again for supporting us. Gill and Lynn.



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

Please could I ask that items are not left in the office without a note to say who they're for. There are currently a wooden embroidery frame and some plastic bottle tops that were left in the office, and unless I hear soon, I will put in the recycling. There are also some items of lost property (water bottles, glasses, head cap, sunglasses, scarves, gloves, grey fleece jacket, etc. that will be thrown away/recycled within the next couple of weeks. Please call in during office hours (10.15am to 1.00pm) if you believe any of it could be yours. Many thanks. Shirley.

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	8 Sept	6.30 – 8.00pm	Food Hub
Tues	9 Sept	9.30am	Chair Yoga
		6.00pm	Boys' Brigade
Wed	10 Sept	12.30pm	Lunch Club
Thurs	11 Sept	10.00am	Sunbeams Baby and Toddler Group
Frid	12 Sept	2.30pm	Friday Feathers Badminton Club

Sunday 14th September 2025

10.30am: Morning Worship led by Mr David Neville.

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

CHINNOR

Dear All,

This Sunday, 7 September, the focus of our Circuit Prayers is on Chinnor, and Sally shares her story with us. Sally says that "her move has been made easy thanks to friends at the church". Our prayer is that everyone may feel that same warmth when they step inside a holy place where we meet to worship God, but sadly it is not always so. Jesus always welcomes us with love and we are



tasked to do the same. Next time someone steps over that threshold into our midst, please take time to welcome them and make them feel among friends, it means so much!

Pete.

I came to Chinnor from Princes Risborough just over 2 years ago and found a church family ready to welcome me at the Chinnor Methodist. The Sunday services led mainly by lay people are mostly very helpful. I sometimes read the Scriptures at home, and at the moment all the familiar passages I know seem to come alive and are fresh almost as if I'm reading them for the first time.

Following Jesus Christ and His teaching has been quite a challenge. The church has always been very important to me to help and encourage me to keep persevering and, perhaps over the years, I might have done the same for others. I was converted around the age of 21 and feel privileged to have eventually encountered God through Jesus Christ, His life, death and resurrection. My move to Chinnor has been made easy thanks to friends at the church.

The last verse of William Cowper's hymn 'Hark my soul! It is the Lord' is a good ending:

Lord it is my chief complaint
That my love is weak and faint;
Yet I love Thee and adore;
Oh for grace to love Thee more. Amen.

Thanks, Sally.



JUST FOR TODAY

'This is the day which the LORD hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it.' Psalm 118:24 KIV

When the going gets tough, and you're tempted to complain about your lot in life, stop and remind yourself that this day is a gift from God, one you will never have again. Think about the following words and they will help you:

Just for today, I will experience and enjoy each hour to the fullest and not try to tackle my whole life's problems all at once.

Just for today, I will try to improve my mind by learning more than I know; I will read something that requires effort, thought, concentration, and commitment.

Just for today, I will be agreeable. I will try to look my best, speak softly, and be courteous and considerate to others.

Just for today, I won't find fault or try to change or improve anyone but myself.

Just for today, I will have a plan and a goal. I might not follow it exactly, but I will have one, nonetheless. By doing that, I will save myself from two enemies – hurry and indecision.

Just for today, I will develop my character. I will do a good turn and keep it a secret; if anyone finds out, it won't count.

Just for today, I will do something I don't want to do. That way, I will train my spirit to overrule my flesh, and my will to overrule my emotions.

Just for today, I won't be afraid to love or to risk; I will endeavour to enjoy all God's blessings and believe that every seed I sow in His kingdom will be multiplied back to me many times over.

That's how I will live – just for today!

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