

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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Sundy 1st February 2026

**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, this morning, are Gill Marks and Charles Fiadzeawu.

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.

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| Hymns | StF 3 442 713 545 573 507 |
| Readings | Micah 6: 1-8 1 Corinthians 1: 18-25 |
| 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.





It's time for Lunch Club again! The next one will be on **Wednesday 11th February** when we will be dishing up Cottage Pie and vegetables at **12.30pm** in the church hall.

If you are coming, please put your name on the list in the coffee bar in the hall or give Gill a call on 01296 748659.

Looking forward to seeing you all there.



It's now time to count the money in your little Home Collecting Boxes. Please either hand in the box for us to open, or bring the contents to church in a plastic bag, **clearly marked with your name**, for us to

count. Pauline Noble and Jennie Torpey will be very pleased to receive it. Any queries, ring Pauline 01296 484940 or Jennie 01296 581414.

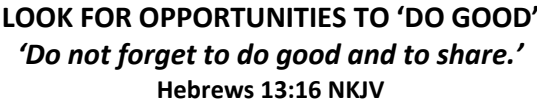
If you do not have a box and would like one at home to put in small amounts of loose change, please ask Pauline.



Update of Pastoral Records. From next Sunday, 8th February, we shall be giving out cream forms, and asking you to complete and return them, so that we can update our pastoral records with current address, telephone numbers and email addresses. A sealed box will be available on Sundays for you to put them in. They can also be given to Richard or one of the Church Stewards. The information will be private and stored on a password-protected computer, and paper copies destroyed.



Our next Messy Church is on **Saturday 7th February**, from 3.45pm – 6.00pm. There will be crafts and games and a lovely tea. Don't forget to let us know if you are coming, by emailing amc22messychurch@gmail.com **by Thursday 5th February** so we know how many to cater for. Margaret Miskin.



Peter describes the life of Jesus in these words: ‘...who went about doing good’ (Acts 10:38 NKJV). So, becoming more Christlike means looking for opportunities to do good.

An anonymous author wrote: 'When people are unreasonable, illogical, self-centred, and arrogant, love them anyway.'

When people insist that your goodness contains selfish motives, do good anyway.

If you are successful, you will win both false friends and true enemies. Succeed anyway.

If you are honest, some will seek to twist your words against you. Be honest anyway.

If you do good today, some may forget it by tomorrow. Do good anyway.

If you show yourself to be a big person with big ideas, don't be surprised if you are opposed by small people with small minds. Think big anyway.

What you have spent years building, some may seek to destroy overnight. Build anyway.'

President Theodore Roosevelt said: *'It is not the critic who counts; not the man [or woman] who points out...where the doer of deeds could have done them better. The credit belongs to the man [or woman] who is actually in the arena, whose face is marred by dust and sweat and blood; who strives valiantly; who errs, who comes up short again and again...who knows great enthusiasms, the great devotions; who spends himself [or herself] in a worthy cause; who at the best knows in the end the triumph of high achievement, and who at the worst...at least fails while daring greatly, so that his [or her] place shall never be with those cold and timid souls who know neither victory nor defeat.'*

So, look for opportunities to do good.

Source: The Word for Today, a daily devotional, produced free of charge by United Christian Broadcasters. For your regular quarterly copy write to UCB at:

United Christian Broadcasters, Westport Road, Burslem, Stoke-on-Trent, ST6 4JF, or email ucb@ucb.co.uk or telephone 01782 911 000.

Or you can read them online at <https://www.ucb.co.uk/read>.

As a charity, UCB relies on donations, so a gift would be appreciated from time to time.

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



Don't forget your donations for the Aylesbury Foodbank.

Currently, the greatest need is for: Tinned Meat, Tinned Rice Pudding and Tinned Fruit; also *Long-life UHT milk and Custard, Tinned Vegetables (but not Potatoes), Teabags (40 or 80), Table sauces, eg Ketchup, brown sauce.*

But all donations are welcome. Toiletries, washing up liquid & laundry detergent pods are always needed.



Next Week

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| Mon | 2 Feb | 6.15pm, 6.30 – 8.00pm | Girls' Brigade Food Hub |
| Tues | 3 Feb | 9.30am 10.45am 6.00pm | Chair Yoga Prayer Group Boys' Brigade |
| Thurs | 5 Feb | 10.30am | Sunbeams Baby & Toddler Group |
| Frid | 6 Feb | 2.30pm | Friday Feathers Badminton Club |
| Sat | 7 Feb | 3.45pm | Messy Church |

Sunday 8th February 2026

10.30am: Morning Worship led by Mr Steve Kemp.

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| 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) |