

WELCOME TO

AYLESBURY METHODIST CHURCH

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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 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 Jackie Simpson-Tyda and Derek Adams.

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.

The Worship Band will lead you in your preparation for worship,
and the words will be shown on the screen. Please join in.

Hymns	StF 15 428 377 477/424 2
Readings	Exodus 17: 1-7 John 4: 4-26
Music	AMC Worship Band
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 in memory of Jennie's parents, Reg and Audrey New, and to welcome her new baby granddaughter, Isla.



Would you like help exploring the Bible - a place where you can just listen or join the debate?

There are two circuit-wide groups that meet by Zoom; one on a **Tuesday at 7.30pm** and the other on a **Thursday at 2pm**, where we meet to reflect on what the Scriptures say.

We aim to keep it light; all questions answered, no knowledge expected. There are times of good discussion, others of corporate bewilderment, and some interesting tangential excursions.

If you would like to join, we will be starting to look at Isaiah 40 very soon, which talks much about the coming Messiah and there is a rising crescendo of hope for the remnant returning from exile.

Richard Atkinson is the person to talk to if you would like any more information.

The security system has now been updated to include the Choir side door from the main corridor into the Church. This is to prevent unauthorised entry into the Church by the public, particularly when the Blood Unit uses the building on Thursdays, when both main community centre doors are propped open.

The system has updated all jobs, but if by any chance your job refuses to let you in, please let me know as soon as possible. Shirley



Update of Pastoral Records.

Have you completed and returned one of the cream forms yet, so that we can update our pastoral records?

We need your current address, telephone numbers and email addresses. Some forms will be available on Sundays as you

arrive, and a sealed box 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.

Spare forms can be found in the display cabinet in the Welcome Space.



Have you handed in your little Home Collecting Box yet? 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.

PARKING: A reminder that the limited Church car parking spaces should be left for those with poor mobility. To ensure the way is clear for wheelchairs, etc to pass, *please do not double-park, or park right up by the rear doors on the paving slabs by the fire exit.*

Easter Sunday Breakfast: A full English Breakfast* cooked by the SOS team has become an established part of our Easter tradition, and this year is no different; it's a mixture of food and fellowship to start this wonderful day of celebration. As in previous years, with your help we will be raising funds for the Whitechapel Mission. Tickets are priced at £7.00 and are on sale during Lent at AMC or ring Lynn or Derek on 420817 to book your place.

* a vegetarian option is available

SOS stands for 'Sometimes on Sunday' as we are a group made up of both regular Church goers and others who are not - all are welcome! We get together at each other's homes, with the evening based around fellowship and food. Sometimes there is a theme for the food but not always; it's more important to be there. Usually we start at 7 o'clock, and all that's needed is a call to the host.

Saturday March 28th at the home of Marilyn and Nick Storer, we have the theme of 'French' for this evening. Their contact number is 01296 622656.

Don't forget your donations for the Aylesbury Foodbank.

Currently, the greatest need is for: *Tinned or Packet Custard, Tinned Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Tinned Soup, Tinned Meat, Strong Carrier Bags.*

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





CHURCH READINGS: March – May 2026. There is a new sheet on the noticeboard, so if you are willing to join our rota for reading the lesson in Church occasionally, please sign up for the week you would like to read, with just your name (no contact details – **unless you are new to reading the lesson**), and a steward will contact you during that week with the reading. If you have any questions, **or if you are joining the reading rota for the first time**, please speak to one of the stewards.

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

Next Week

The Coffee Bar in the Welcome Space is usually open on Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays, 10am – 12 noon.

Mon	9 March	6.15pm 6.30 – 8.00pm	Girls' Brigade Food Hub
Tues	10 March	9.30am 2.00pm 6.00pm	Chair Yoga Banner Group Boys' Brigade
Wed	11 March	12.30pm	Lunch Club
Thurs	12 March	10.30am 7.30pm	Sunbeams Baby & Toddler Group Church Council meeting
Frid	13 March	2.30pm	Friday Feathers Badminton Club

Sunday 15th March 2026

8.45am: Communion service led by Rev Richard Atkinson.

10.30am: Morning Worship led by Rev Andrew Shergold.



The designated fire officers are the Duty Stewards

First Aid boxes are located in each of the kitchens

**Fire doors must not be wedged open, except those fitted with Dorgard
(Please ensure other doors close behind you after passing through**

Duty Manager (Roger Kirk: 01296 415312 Mobile: 07484 392734)