

WELCOME TO

AYLESBURY METHODIST CHURCH

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Sunday 24th May 2026

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 Mr Steve Kemp.

6.00pm: Circuit 'BIG SING' service at Stewkley

If you are visiting our Church for the first time, do introduce yourself to one of our stewards, who, this morning, are Gill Nord and Gill Marks.

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 364 345 503 395 564
Readings	Isaiah 40: 27-31 Romans 1: 16-17, 5: 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.



Elaine Hope has recently stood down as a Church Steward and we are very grateful for her time of service. This means we are looking for a new Church Steward. If you would like to nominate someone, please gain their consent, find a seconder, and **let Richard have the details by June 15th please.**

If you're interested in becoming a Church Steward, and would like to learn more about what's involved, then please talk to one of the current stewards or to Richard.

If you still have an envelope for Christian Aid, please put it in the normal collection basket today. *There are some spare envelopes in the display cabinet.* Please complete the Gift Aid declaration if you pay tax, so that Christian Aid can claim back an extra 25p for each £1 you donate, at no extra cost to you, and please give as generously as you are able.

In your notice sheet of 26th April was a list of energy-saving items donated by Bucks Council, and **FREE of charge.** *They will be on display in the Hall after the service this morning.* Or call the office (01296 426526) if you'd prefer to collect on a weekday.



Vale of Aylesbury Circuit

BIG SING: 'The Church: A Community led by the Spirit'

THIS EVENING, Sunday 24th May, 6.00pm

at Stewkley Methodist Church, 103 High Street, Stewkley, LU7 0HU

ALL WELCOME

Edith's fundraiser for the Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity.

Hello! I am doing a 5km fundraising Midnight Walk in aid of the Florence Nightingale Hospice Charity, on 20th June 2026.


Here's my JustGiving page, if you would like to donate:

https://www.justgiving.com/page/edith-awadzi-6?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=WA&utm_campaign=lc_frp_share_transaction_fundraiser_page_launched

Sponsor form is available too. **Please tick the Gift Aid box if you are a taxpayer.**

Thank you. Edith.





YOU
ONLY FAIL
WHEN
YOU STOP
TRYING

THE WORST FAILURE...IS FAILURE TO TRY

*'Be strong and of good courage...for the LORD your
God is with you.'*

Joshua 1:9 NKJV

It's impossible to live successfully without taking risks.

Leo Buscaglia wrote: 'To laugh is to risk appearing the fool. To weep is to risk appearing sentimental. To reach out to another is to risk involvement... To place your ideas, your dreams, before the crowd is to risk being called naïve. To love is to risk not being loved in return. To live is to risk dying. To hope is to risk despair, and to try is to risk failure.

But risks must be taken because the greatest hazard in life is to risk nothing...Only the person who risks is truly free.'

Franklin Roosevelt spent much of his life battling illness and was confined to a wheelchair. Yet he became one of America's greatest presidents. He said: 'It is common sense to take a method and try it. If it fails, admit it frankly and try another.
But above all, try something.'

In *The Pursuit of Excellence*, Ted W. Engstrom gives this advice about the importance of trying: 'Starting today, you can begin to enjoy using and developing your gifts...If you've always wanted to write, then write something, a short article, a poem, an account of your vacation. Write it as if you were going to be published; then submit it somewhere. If you're a photographer, gather your best pictures together and submit them as entries in a contest. If you think you're a fair tennis player or golfer, enter some tournaments and see how you do. You may not win the top prize but think how much you'll learn and experience just by trying.

The worst failure...is failure to try!'

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:

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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.

Don't forget your donations for the Aylesbury Foodbank.

Currently, the greatest need is for: Tinned Vegetables, Instant Mash, Tinned Meat, Pasta and Rice.

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



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	25 May	6.30 – 8.00pm	Food Hub
Tues	26 May	9.30am 10.45am	Chair Yoga Prayer Group
Thurs	27 May	10.00am From 12.45pm	Sunbeams Baby & Toddler Group Blood Donor sessions
Frid	29 May	2.30pm	Friday Feathers Badminton Club

Sunday 31st May 2026

10.30am: Morning Worship led by Rev Richard Atkinson.

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)