

WELCOME TO

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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.

Sunday 9th August 2026

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 Frances Aylen and Andy Gilbert.

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 409 658 504 489 459
Readings	Micah 6: 6-8 Philippians 2: 1-13
Organist	David Brooker
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 Mary Parker,
in memory of Robin, with love.**

**J Team is currently taking its summer break,
and will resume on 6th September.**

Olwen Darlington's funeral will take place on Tuesday 25th August 2026, at 10:00 am at Bierton Crematorium.

No flowers, please, but donations can be made in Olwen's memory to Save the Children via Dignity Funerals <https://www.dignityfunerals.co.uk/funeral-notices/26-07-2026-olwen-mary-darlington/>

For those who cannot attend, there will be a live stream -

<https://watch.obitus.com/login/d9s9gt>

Username: bidu1514 Password: 563930

SOS: Saturday August 15th at the home of Louise and Richard Atkinson; the theme is summer holiday memories.

Their contact number is 07300 105277



URGENT REQUEST FOR HELP: FOOD HUB

Our AMC Food Hub brings relief and joy to around 20-25 people each Monday evening. These people do not represent our demographic and their challenges in life are,

perhaps, not ones we share.

We all have 'issues' though, and we all appreciate support and encouragement. In that sense we are all children of God, living as best we can as fallible and fallen human people. We know the love of God. And we want to share it through our actions of love for others.

That is rather a long preamble to say: ***WE NEED YOUR HELP.*** Otherwise, we are at risk of having to close. We need gentle and kind people who can show up between 6 - 8pm at least once a month. People who like others, and enjoy connecting with them and sharing Gods love in a visible and practical way.

We need to have four volunteers each evening (4x4 = 16 people per month)

Please prayerfully consider how you can help.

Maybe you could come along one evening just to see the Hub in action so you can better discern whether it is something God might be calling you to?

Thank you, Karen Crussell 07762 876544



This Wednesday, 12th August, sees it being time for Lunch Club again; we will be serving up cold meats, new potatoes and various salads at 12.30pm.

Please put your name on the list in the coffee if you can come or give Gill a ring on 01296 748659. See you there for lunch and a chat.

YOU'RE NOT ALONE, GOD IS WITH YOU!

'As commander of the army of the LORD I have now come.'

Joshua 5:14 NIV

The Bible says: 'When Joshua was near Jericho, he looked up and saw a man standing in front of him with a drawn sword in his hand. Joshua went up to him and asked, "Are you for us or for our enemies?" "Neither," he replied, "but as commander of the army of the LORD I have now come." Then Joshua fell face down to the ground in reverence, and asked him, "What message does my Lord have for his servant?" The commander of the LORD's army replied, "Take off your sandals, for the place where you are standing is holy." And Joshua did so' (vv. 13-15 NIVUK).

The message here is unmistakeable: ***Jericho may have its walls, but, Joshua, you have more. You have God. He is with you.***

Isn't that the word Joshua needed – a reminder of God's almighty presence? Isn't that what **you** need – to know that God is near, that you are never alone, and that in your darkest hour, in your deepest questions, the Lord will never leave you.

David said: 'LORD, you alone are my inheritance, my cup of blessing. You guard all that is mine...I will bless the LORD who guides me...I know the LORD is always with me. I will not be shaken, for he is right beside me. No wonder my heart is glad, and I rejoice' (Psalm 16:5-9 NLT).

Are you facing a Jericho-level challenge? Do what Joshua did: 'He lifted his eyes and looked, and behold, a Man stood opposite him' (Joshua 5:13 NKJV).

You've looked at the problem long enough.

Lift your eyes to the problem solver – Jesus!

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.

Don't forget your donations for the Aylesbury Foodbank.

Currently, the greatest need is for: *Tinned veg (not potatoes), Tinned Fish, Instant Mash.* 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 meeting is taking a break for the Summer and will meet again in due course.



Next Week

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

Mon	10 August	6.30 – 8.00pm	Food Hub
Tues	11 August	9.30am	Chair Yoga
Wed	12 August	12.30pm	Lunch Club
Thurs	13 August	7.30pm	Church Council meeting
Frid	14 August	2.30pm	Friday Feathers Badminton Club

Sunday 16th August 2026

8.45am: Communion Service led by Rev Richard Atkinson.

10.45am: Morning Worship led by Rev Richard Atkinson.

3.00pm: 'BIG SING' at Haddenham

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 - (Kevin Hardern: 01296 481285 Mobile: 07785 950 702)