

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 4th October 2026

8.45am: Communion Service led by Rev Richard Atkinson

10.30am: Morning Worship led by Mr David Neville.

If you are visiting our Church for the first time, do introduce yourself to one of our stewards, who, this morning, are Charles Fiadzeawu at 8.45am, and Frances Aylen and Gill Nord at 10.30am.

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	8.45am: StF 401 'Christ is the one who Calls' StF 410 10.30am: StF 83 466 H&Ps 414 78 256
Readings	8.45am: Isaiah 5: 1-7 10.30am: Micah 6: 6-8 Matthew 25: 31-40
Organist	8.45am: Derrick Matthews 10.30am: 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 in memory of Toby Noble (Gramps).
As a family we shall celebrate his life together with many happy
memories. Pauline and all the family.



Due to the cooks for Lunch Club all going on holiday, we need to bring the date forward this month. We will be serving Chicken Supreme, seasonal vegetables and new potatoes **this coming WEDNESDAY, 7th OCTOBER at 12.30pm**, so please put your name on the list in the coffee bar or give Gill a call on 01296 748659. All are welcome for lunch and a social chat.

SOS: 7pm on October 10th, at the home of Gill and Trevor Nord, the theme is cheese in all its different guises. Their contact details are 07941 872895

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.



You'll probably have already read this plea to support the Link to Hope Shoebox Appeal, by filling a shoebox for either a Family or an Elderly Person.

If not, there are leaflets in the display cabinet in the Welcome Space area ready for you to pick one up. The leaflets give all the information needed to take part. If you're not happy filling a shoebox then I'm happy to receive monetary donations and do one on your behalf.

As a church we have supported this charity for many years and I hope that we can continue to do so. With the war

still raging in Ukraine, it is vital that our shoeboxes can reach them and their neighbouring countries to make some families experience the joy of Christmas.

Many thanks to those who have continued to support Link to Hope. If you haven't filled a shoebox before, then maybe this is your chance to join other members of the congregation and make it a better year for someone less fortunate than ourselves.

Margaret Miskin. 01296 422919.





WITH GOD'S HELP, YOU'LL SUCCEED

'My flesh and my heart fail; but God is the strength of my heart and my portion forever.'

Psalm 73:26 NKJV

Some of the world's greatest achievers went through life with physical disabilities and overcame incredible adversities. Sir Walter Scott was disabled. John Bunyan, author of *The Pilgrim's Progress*, was imprisoned. George Washington, America's first president, almost froze and starved to death in the snows of Valley Forge. Abraham Lincoln played a critical part in ending the scourge of slavery in America, yet he was raised in abject poverty and died prematurely from an assassin's bullet.

British Prime Minister Benjamin Disraeli was subject to bitter religious prejudice. Franklin D. Roosevelt was struck down with infantile paralysis. Ludwig van Beethoven became deaf. Glen Cunningham, an Olympic runner holding many world records, had his legs badly burned in a school fire. Booker T. Washington, Harriet Tubman, Marian Anderson, and George Washington Carver were born into a society filled with racial discrimination. Enrico Caruso was from a large, poor Italian family where only a few children survived past infancy. Itzhak Perlman, concert violinist, lost the function of his legs at age four.

In the eyes of his father and family, biblical David wasn't considered worthy to be Israel's next king in the place of Saul. Moralists and legalists would surely have disqualified him because of his violation of Bathsheba. Yet God referred to him as 'a man after my own heart' (Acts 13:22 NIV).

And here's what David said about God: 'My flesh and my heart fail; but God **is** the strength of my heart and my portion forever...I have put my trust in the Lord God' (vv. 26, 28 NKJV).

The word for today is: with God's help, you'll succeed.

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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.

CHURCH READINGS: September – November 2026.

If you are willing to join our rota for reading the lesson in Church from time to time, there are still some spaces on the list in the front Welcome Space - *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, please speak to one of the stewards or Richard

Don't forget your donations for the Aylesbury Foodbank.

Currently, the greatest need is for: **Instant Mash, Tinned Fish, and Custard.** 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

Next Week

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

Mon	5 Oct	6.15pm 6.30 – 8.00pm	Girls' Brigade Food Hub
Tues	6 Oct	9.30am 6.00pm	Chair Yoga Boys' Brigade
Thurs	8 Oct	9.30am	Sunbeams Baby & Toddler Group
Frid	9 Oct	2.30pm	Friday Feathers Badminton Club

Sunday 11th October 2026

10.30am: Family Service 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)
5-10 Oct: Duty Manager (Roger Kirk: 01296 415312 Mobile: 07484 392734) 11 Oct: Duty Manager (Viv Kemp: 01296 399315 Mobile: 07771 798282)