Kay T.

It is with sadness that we learnt of the death of Kay T. on Monday 8th April. Kay has been restricted to her home for some time but was kept in regular contact with St James by those who visited her and she received the notice and service sheet each week.

Many will remember with gratitude the years of service and support Kay and her husband, Peter, gave to St. James the wider community. We will pass on details of her funeral service when it has been arranged.

APCM

This is an advance notice to say that following our recent pattern, our APCM will be held in the Family Service in May (12th May). The Electoral Roll is revised each year and there is a notice displayed giving details. If you are not on the Electoral Roll and would like to be please speak to Rev. Ian.

There will also be elections to the PCC - further details will be given in future weeks. The PCC is the key body which helps plan, with the vicar, the ministry and mission in the parish. If you want to have a voice in what happens this really is the place to be!



Milk Bottle Tops

Please could you wash and bring to church those milk bottle tops from plastic milk cartons. Beth G's Guide unit, along with others in the Burgess Hill area, are collecting them to raise funds for Chestnut Tree House Childrens Hospice. Thank you.

My notes

Collect for the week

Risen Christ,
you filled your disciples with boldness and
fresh hope:
strengthen us to proclaim your risen life
and fill us with your peace,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen





14th April 2024

10.30am Family Service



Welcome and notices

Opening words

Songs: Oh for a thousand tongues to sing (474)

Introduction

We say sorry to God

We pray the collect

We hear God's word: Luke 24:36-48

Song: From heaven you came(175)

We think about God

Song: This I believe

We pray the Lord's Prayer

Songs: One shall tell another (511)

Blessing

We leave

Coffee, tea and biscuits are served after the service.

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NOTICES

Dates for your diary

Sunday 14th April:

8:00 - Communion Service BCP 10:30am - Family Service

Monday 15th April:

10:30am Prayer meeting at Hawthorn Road

Tuesday 16th April:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

Wednesday 17th April:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome

Sunday 21st April:

8:00am - Communion Service 10:30am - Service of the Word

A Prayer for the Ukraine

God of peace and justice,

we pray for the people of Ukraine today.

We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.

We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,

that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace,

for wisdom, discernment and compassion to quide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace

Amen.

Pastoral Visiting

If anyone would like the opportunity for a slightly longer chat than time affords after a church service please feel free to contact me. Thank you. Rev. Ian

KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place 5th May @ 3.00pm where we will think about St. James. Please pray for those who plan and deliver this ministry as we look ahead for ideas for upcoming gatherings. Any offers to help with crafts, to cook, chatting to guests and tidying up would be really helpful. Please see Rev Ian or Jenny B for more information.

Stay & Play

Stay and Play runs every Tuesday in term time from 1:15pm. It s an opportunity for parents/carers and their children to meet and play. Please tell folk about it and, if you want a flyer or a card to help, or indeed would like to help support this ministry, please see Rev Ian.



A space which offers coffee, tea, biscuits, cakes and sandwiches along with conversation, board games, computer access, advice and so forth. Please come along or invite anyone who might find it of value.

Mission Partners



We pray for the work of Cribs in Bexley Schools in their mission to support the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of young people and children in our schools in Bexley.

News from the Food Bank

The food bank has an urgent need for::

- Tinned fruit and veg
- Chocolate/snacks
- ♦ Tuna/hotdogs/meatballs



- ♦ Fruit juice
- Long life/evaporated milk
- Ready made custard
- Dried noodles, pasta & rice
- Pasta/curry sauces
- Stuffing/gravy
- ♦ Jam, honey, spreads
- ◆ Tins of baked beans, beans and sausages, macaroni chesse & chilli con carne
- Baby products
- ♦ Toothpaste, Shower gel, Deodorant
- Shampoo & Razors
- Housecleaning products
- Toilet and kitchen roll

Prayer Focus



Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:

Maureen B, Brenda M, Mavis M, Brenda P, Barry G, Janet C, Mike S and Stephen R.

We pray for our church family and this week we pray for Angela and Edwin D and Karin D.

We pray for the family and friends of Kay T as they mourn her death. We continue to pray for Jenny B and her family as they mourn the death of Jenny's husband, Dai.

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Blackfen Road, Bladindon Drive and Blendon Drive.