

## 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 guide their decisions.  
Above all, we pray for all your precious chil-  
dren, at risk and in fear, that you would hold  
and protect them.  
We pray in the name of Jesus,  
the Prince of Peace.  
Amen.



## Giving at St James

If you wish to make a donation towards  
the ministry of St. James, or indeed  
need to pay for a specific service,  
please speak to Rev Ian or the Church-  
wardens. Alternatively, you can scan  
the QR code in this notice. Thank you.



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## Pastoral Visiting

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

## My notes

### Collect

Gracious Father,  
revive your Church in our day,  
and make her holy, strong and faithful,  
for your glory's sake  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.



**17th August 2025**

**10.30am Communion Service**

Welcome and notices

Opening words (*page 1*)

Song: Restore O Lord

Confession (*pages 2-4*)

Collect

Readings: Psalm 82

Song: Lord I come to you

Gospel reading: Luke 12:49-56

Sermon

Apostles Creed (*page 44*)

Prayers

The Peace

Song: God of justice

Communion Prayer D (*page 28*)

The Lord's Prayer (*page 12*)

Share Communion

Post Communion prayer (*page 16*)

Song: Holy overshadowing

Blessing and Dismissal (*page 17*)

**Large print service books are available.**

If you have a word, vision or story you want to share with us  
please speak to a Ian or one of the wardens before the  
service. If you need assistance with large-print books or the  
auditory loop please let us know.



# NOTICES

## Dates for your diary

### Sunday 17th August:

10:30am - Family Communion Service

### Monday 18th August:

10:30am - Prayer meeting @ Hawthorn Road

### Tuesday 19th August:

1:15pm - Stay and Play

### Wednesday 20th August:

1:00pm - Place of Welcome

7:00pm - Coffee with a Cop

### Sunday 24th August:

8:00am - Communion Service

10:30am - Service of the Word

## Women's Refuge

We have been in contact with an organisation which runs a Women's Refuge and hope to supply morse bags containing practical essentials for those fleeing domestic violence.

We still need the following items:

- Toothbrush and holders
- Shampoo
- Deodorant
- Soap boxes
- Fluffy socks
- Hairbrushes/combs
- Makeup/baby wipes
- Flannels
- Hand towels
- Sweets
- Colouring books/felts
- Notebooks
- Toys

# KEY MINISTRIES



Our next Messy takes place on **7th September** and we will be thinking about **the life of St. Paul**. 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 ministry of CRiBS in our Bexley Schools. Since 1993 CRiBS have supported the Spiritual, Moral, Social and Cultural development of children and young people in Bexley, seeking to inspire them to grow in faith and promote living values. .

## News from the Food Bank

The food bank has an urgent need for::



- ♦ Tinned fruit and veg
- ♦ Chocolate/snacks
- ♦ Tuna/hotdogs/meatballs
- ♦ Tea/coffee/hot chocolate
- ♦ 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 cheese & chilli con carne
- ♦ Baby products - wet wipes, nappies size 4-6
- ♦ Toothpaste, Shower gel, Deodorant
- ♦ Shampoo & Razors
- ♦ Housecleaning products
- ♦ Toilet and kitchen roll

## Prayer Focus



***Those who are either unwell or need special prayers:***

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

We pray for our church family and this week we pray for Stephen R, Patricia S and Lee S.

We pray for all those who live or work, travel along Rowley Avenue, Sherwood Close and Sherwood Park Avenue.