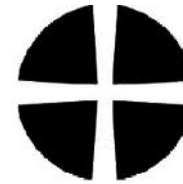


WORSHIP RESOURCES

GNB	Good News Bible
H&P	Hymns & Psalms
MHB	Methodist Hymn Book
MP	Mission Praise
MSB	Methodist Service Book
MWB	Methodist Worship Book
NIV	New International Version Bible
NRSV	New Revised Standard Version
SOF	Songs of Fellowship
StF	Singing the Faith



Amersham Methodist Circuit

Amersham

Chesham

Deanway Utd



Gerrards Cross

Little Chalfont

Prestwood

PLAN INFORMATION

Can all requests for the June to August 2025 plan be to sent to Lu Gigg, Circuit Administrator Lu Gigg **by 01 May 2025**.

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"And by his wounds we are healed"

Plan March 2025 to May 2025

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GERRARDS CROSS

H&P, StF, SOF volume 1, NIV, MSB, MWB (Communion and Covenant section). 'Electronic' version of MWB and church copy-right licence which covers the church for reproducing words and music.

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StF, SOF volume 1, NRSV, MWB, CCL and MRL licences give access to songs not in SOF volume 1

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StF, H&P, Partners in Praise, SOF, NIV Bible, MWB, MWB Children's edition. CCL licence & overhead projector gives access to MP and other modern hymnbooks.

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WHAT'S ON

Gerrards Cross



Music and Make - 2nd and 4th Tuesdays 10.30am to 12.00noon

Movers and Shakers every Wednesday 10.30am to 1.00pm

Little Chalfont

Coffee Morning first Saturday in every month from 10.30am and everyone is welcome.

Hymn Singing with Mary White first Wednesday of every month at 2.30pm, refreshments provided, all are welcome!

Tuesday Fellowship/Cell Group, alternate weeks from 2.30pm.

Coffee Stop every Wednesday from 10.30am to 12.00pm.

Chat 'n' Craft every second Friday from 10.30am to 12.00 noon. Bring your projects and have coffee and a chat!



Prestwood

Friendship Club third Wednesday each month 2.15pm to 3.15pm with tea beforehand.

Online Bible Study on second and fourth Tuesday each month from 7.00pm. All are welcome, for further details please contact stewards@prestwoodmethodists.org.uk.

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Message from Rev'd Adam Wells

Dear Friends,

As usual in this quarter of the year, the front cover of the plan proclaims the Easter message. The picture shows an empty cross, because Jesus has been taken down from it, and is risen.

This year, the whole of Lent falls in the same quarter and Easter is not until April 20th. I was reminded that Lent has traditionally been a time of preparation for those coming to baptism/confirmation/church membership or seeking to be re-admitted into full membership of the church after times of difficulty and absence. If we were to use the Gospel readings as a means of preparation, what would we learn about Jesus?

Lent 1. Jesus' Temptation in the Wilderness, this year using Luke 4. We learn not only of the need to resist all sorts of temptation and try to do God's will, but also of how Jesus set about his public ministry, which began with 40 days in the Wilderness. He concentrated on doing the will of God the Father, resisted evil and doing anything for his own benefit.

Lent 2. In Luke 13.31-35, we learn how Jesus foretells his death and his rejection in Jerusalem.

Lent 3. Luke 13.1 – 9. We learn of the need for repentance and that suffering should not be seen as a sign of sinfulness or punishment by God.

Lent 4. In the unlikely event that we were not celebrating Mothering Sunday, the Lectionary offers Luke 15.1-3 where we learn that Jesus welcomed outcasts and even spent time with them.

Lent 5. Passion Sunday in John 12.1–8. We find Jesus at the house of Martha, Mary and Lazarus. Through the seeming scandal of expensive perfume we learn of the importance of the death of Jesus and of his warning that his followers would not always have him with them.

Lent 6. Palm Sunday in Luke 19.28–40, Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem marks the beginning of the adventure of Holy Week leading to Easter. We learn something of the nature of Jesus' kingship, he is humble and riding on a donkey.

Just using the Gospel readings we learn a substantial amount about Jesus. I think this year I am going to try particularly hard to live Lent and not to rush too quickly into Easter. One way of doing this would be to join one of the Lent Groups highlighted in this Plan and Newsletter.

Have a happy and Holy Lent.

Adam



WHAT'S ON Chesham



Movers and Shakers every Monday (term time) at 9.30am to 1.00pm. An hour of exercise with an activity, talk and a lunch to finish. £7.50 per morning, first session free.

Hobbies Club every Monday (term time) from 1.30pm to 3.30pm. A chance to socialise while working on your projects. £2.00 per session with refreshments, free for your first visit.

First Monday Club, monthly from 2.00-3.30pm. Worship, with speakers, fellowship and tea.

C2C Film Club first Wednesday of each month. Doors open at 2.15pm and film starts at 2.30pm. A different film every month, free to attend but donations for refreshments and to support C2C are welcomed.

Treasured Memories Club, 3rd Friday of the month from 2.00 to 4.00pm. Singalong with a chat, tea and cake for those who suffer from memory loss to enjoy with their carers.

Please contact Denise on **01494 776988** or via email to **cheshamethodistc2c@gmail.com** for further details on any of the above activities.

Tuesday Group 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month at 2.00pm

Bible Studies - first and third Tuesdays each month at 2.30pm

Rainbows every Friday from 5.30pm to 6.30pm

Players every Friday from 7.45pm to 9.30pm



WHAT'S ON

Circuit Events



World Day of Prayer

Service to be held at Little Chalfont Methodist Church on Friday 07 March 2025 at 10.30am

The service this year has been prepared by the women of the Cook Islands and all are welcome to attend.

Prayer Meeting

Every Thursday morning from 10.00 am to 11.00 am on Zoom. All are welcome and may join and leave at any time during the hour.

For further details please contact tinahillas@gmail.com.

Amersham

Ploughman's Lunch at 12.00 noon on Monday 17 March 2025 and all are welcome

Bible Study - please refer to "Lent Course" on Page 5. Later dates to follow.

Open Door Coffee Morning every Wednesday. Join us from 10.00am to 12.00pm for coffee and/or stay for lunch from 1.00pm to 2.00pm. All are welcome.

Friday Fun and Friendship last Friday each month from 2.30pm to 4.00pm. Join us for:

28 March 2025 - Scannappeal talk with Olga James

25 April 2025 - "My visit to China" by Isobel (Issy) Green

30 May 2025 - Come along and be entertained by well known Chesham poet, Ben Batten

Ash Wednesday and Holy Week Services across the Amersham Circuit

Church	Date	Time	Service
Chesham	05 March 2025	7.00pm	Ash Wednesday
Amersham	18 April 2025	2.00pm	Last Hour of the Cross
Chesham	17 April 2025	7.00pm	Maundy Thursday
Chesham	18 April 2025	10.00am	Walk of Witness
Deanway	17 April 2025	8.00pm	Maundy Thursday
Deanway	18 April 2025	10.30am	United Service and Walk of Witness to the Village Green
URC @ Gerrards Cross	18 April 2025	10.30am	Good Friday
St Georges, Little Chalfont	18 April 2025	10.30am	Walk of Witness
Little Chalfont	18 April 2025	2.00pm	Last Hour of the Cross
Prestwood	18 April 2025	10.30am	Walk of Witness

Lent Course

This year's course will be based on the book "**Saying Yes to Life**" by **Ruth Valerio**. You do not have to have read the book to attend the course but it is available from Amazon if you would like a copy:.

Church	Day of the week and dates	Time
Amersham	Mondays - 10/03/25, 24/03/25, 31/03/25, 07/04/25 and 14/04/25	10.00am
Chesham	Tuesdays - 04/03/25, 18/03/25, 01/04/25 and 15/04/25	2.30pm
Via Zoom	Wednesdays - from 12 March to 16 April 2025 inclusive	7.30pm
Little Chalfont	Thursdays - from 20 March to 24 April 2025 inclusive	2.30pm
Gerrards Cross	Fridays - from 07 March to 11 April 2025 - 07 March is at 2.30pm	10.30am otherwise

Amersham Methodist Circuit Plan March to May 2025

Date		02-Mar	09-Mar	16-Mar	23-Mar	30-Mar	06-Apr	13-Apr	20-Apr	27-Apr	04-May	11-May	18-May	25-May
Sunday		Sunday before Lent	Lent 1	Lent 2	Lent 3	Mothering Sunday	Passion	Palm	Easter Day	Easter 2	Easter 3	Easter 4	Easter 5	Easter 6
YouTube Editing		Field	Appleby	Williamson	Wells	Wells	Field	Appleby	Williamson	Livestream	Wells	Appleby	Williamson	Field
Circuit YouTube Thought		Wells	Patterson	Wells	Prior	Patterson	Wells	Patterson	Wells	Livestream	Prior	Patterson	Prior	Wells
Amersham	9.30 am	Smith	Patterson HC	Patterson	Patterson	Sitford	Wells	Swarbrick	Patterson HC	CS @ PMC	Gill	Patterson	Patterson	Patterson HC
Chesham	11am	Patterson HC	Swarbrick	Rees	Patterson HC	LA	Patterson	Hoskin	Patterson HC	CS @ PMC	Patterson URC visiting	Sitford	Patterson HC	LA
Deanway United Church	11am	Powell	Wells HC	Patterson	Smith	Sitford	Watt	Henderson	Swarbrick HC	CS @ PMC		Wells HC	Prior	
Gerrards Cross	9.30am		Wells HC					Wells		CS @ PMC		Wells HC		
Gerrards Cross	11am	Wells		@ URC	@ URC Wells	Castle LA	Wells		Wells HC	CS @ PMC	Prior		@ URC	Smith
Little Chalfont	9.30 am	Wells		Wells HC			Patterson		Wells HC	CS @ PMC	Smith		Wells @ 10.00am	
Little Chalfont	11am		Hoskin		Sitford	Wells		Wells		CS @ PMC		Hoskin		Wells HC
Little Chalfont	6pm					Wells C				Wells C				Wells C
Prestwood	11am	LA	Patterson HC	Wells	Prior	Patterson	Smith	Patterson	With Kings Church @ PVH	CS Wells	Wells	Patterson HC	Sitford	Patterson

ABBREVIATIONS

@ Service taking place at
C Contemplative

CS Circuit Service
HC Holy Communion

LA Local Arrangement
PMC Prestwood Methodist Church

PVH Prestwood Village Hall
URC United Reformed Church

Lectionary readings can be found at the back of the Methodist Worship Book