

**New Eltham Methodist Church
Weekly Notices**



Sunday 22nd March 2026

Fifth Sunday in Lent

Prayer for the Week

A prayer that we might make Jesus' story our own

Storytelling Jesus,

You invite us to make your story, our story.

Your story reminds us God so loves the whole world.

Teach us, Jesus, your arts of storytelling, singing and dancing that open up paths of healing and renewal.

Help us, Jesus, to lean into and learn from your story; to make it our own, so justice, loving kindness and mercy may join hands around the world that God so loves. Amen.

Karen McBride, Warden, Methodist Diaconal Order



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Church Office open Thursday and Friday 09:30am to 1:30pm (term time only). Please submit weekly news to Joanne by **10 am Thursday**

Please 'like' us 'New Eltham Methodist Church'



New Eltham Methodist Church Zimbabwe Fellowship. There are services in **SHONA** at this Church (12.30 - 14.30) each Sunday. For more details, contact 07707 310098 or 07944 881977 .

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ORDER OF SERVICE

Led by: Bennie Harms

Steward: Paul Tickell – Musician: CD

Welcome / Notices

Hymn StF 345 – And can it be that I should gain
All Age Worship and Lenten Liturgy Week 5

Hymn StF 397 – The Spirit lives to set us free

Prayers –

StF 565 – Only by grace can we enter (remain seated)
Prayers of Adoration and Confession

Bible Readings:

Romans 8 vs 6-11

John 11 vs 28-45

Hymn StF 370 – Breathe on me, breath of God
Message

Offertory Prayer

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Hymn StF 355 – Jesus lover of my soul
Blessing

Following the service today please join us for a cup of coffee/tea in room 4



Pastoral News, please remember in your prayers

Kevin Doig, Nicky Mullooly, Olive Hunt, James Alabi-Boorman, Sarah Bartlett, John and Ming Broomhead, Archie Brown, Bob Chapman, Anthony Cox, Louise Field, Sta'Reign Lee and family, Elizabeth Tiplin, Vincent Woon and Alexandra Brilliant and Fiona Love-Roberts' family and friends. Please keep Marianne in your thoughts as she rests peacefully in her care home.


If you wish to have someone added or removed from the prayer list, please notify Joanne in the church office. Contact details on the cover.

Upcoming Services:

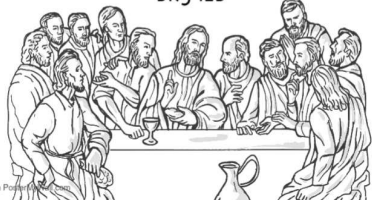
Date	Time	Leader/Preacher	Event
Sun 29 th Mar	10:30 am	Rev David Gillman	Joint service with the PCC Cameroonian
Fri 3 rd April	11:15 am	Good Friday Walk of Witness, 10am followed by service at NEMC 11:15am	
Sun 5 th April	10:30 am	Deacon Laura MacBean	Easter Sunday
Sun 12 th April	10:30 am	Emmanuel Owusu-Sekyere	

Appeal for help for our Ukrainian family

Our Ukrainian family living in the church flat have suffered very poor service from EDF regarding their electricity invoices since they moved in. Despite EDF having accurate readings when Elena and her family first moved in and subsequent readings in the first few months of their tenancy it came to light towards the end of last year that EDF had grossly underestimated their usage and based all their bills until August 2025 on very low estimates. When EDF recalculated Elena owed more than £1,600. Payment was demanded in 14 days. A complaint was raised immediately, which was also handled very poorly and so this was escalated to the Energy Ombudsman. The Ombudsman upheld all of our points of complaint but this has still left Elena with £932 outstanding. Elena is awaiting a proposed payment plan but will struggle to clear this. We are asking church members if you are able to contribute whatever you can to help her and her family with this debt. Donations can be made via the collection plate (please put in an envelope marked Elena Appeal) or pay directly into the Church bank account - Coop Bank, sort code 08-92-99, A/C 67353266, A/C Name New Eltham Methodist Church. Please add "Elena Appeal" in the reference field. Thank you



**Maundy Thursday Service
& Holy Communion**
2nd April at 7:30pm
Petts Wood Methodist Church
Lakeswood Road/Queensway, Petts Wood
BR5 1EB



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WHERE THERE'S A WILL
Interactive crime solving murder mystery fun for teams of up to 6 people
Saturday 18th April 2026
3:30 pm & 7:30 pm
£12.50 per person, refreshments included
THE CENTRE, New Eltham Methodist Church, 435 Footscray Road, SE9 3UL
Book your tickets: 01322 838 410
www.necp.org.uk



Journeying with God
Join us for
LABYRINTH LIVE
AT CHISLEHURST METHODIST CHURCH

At Chislehurst Methodist Church, we are moved by Christ's love to help one another and to have hope. Scripture readings, prayer and reflection are integral to inspire us in our work and daily living. Labyrinth Live is about our spiritual journey and ways of experiencing change and its effect on our lives.

We invite you and your family to participate in our Holy Week activities and meditations and experience our - LABYRINTH LIVE - as part of your journey with God. We also have family friendly activities planned.

You can write a prayer, bring photos or a special memento with you if you'd like to.
There will be someone available to pray with you for those who wish it.

Everybody is invited to spend time at Chislehurst Methodist Church with its prayer labyrinth this Holy Week.
Feel free to stay as little or as long as you wish.

Peace and Blessings,
The Reverend Hannah Feal-Helm



Journeying with God
ACTIVITIES FOR THE HOLY WEEK
LABYRINTH LIVE
AT CHISLEHURST METHODIST CHURCH

Palm Sunday 29th March
Sunday service at 10.30am, followed by refreshments.

Monday 30th March
Evening Meditation 5-7pm on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Saturday

Tuesday 31st March
Exploring your experience with meditation and prayer. 10.30-12.30 & 1300-1500

Wednesday 1st April
Acts of kindness - THE BIG DRAW - Family friendly. 10.30-12.30 & 1300-1500

Thursday 2nd April
Family Day, music, activities and refreshments. 10.30-12.30 & 1300-1500.

Good Friday 3rd April
Church is open. Walk of Witness starts here at 10am with refreshments after.

Saturday 4th April
Walking the labyrinth, meditation and prayers. 10.30-12.30 & 1300-1500

Easter Sunday 5th April
Easter Sunday Family Service 10.30am - Holy Communion - Refreshments