



Weekly News

Sunday 18th May 2025

A family following Jesus

Whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it – not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it – they will be blessed in what they do. *James 1 v 25 (NIV)*

Welcome to our Worship Service with communion led by Revd Karen Bugg with talk by Matt Bugg

Order of Service

Welcome and notices
Opening prayer
Song 1086: Light of the world (Here I am to worship)
Song 33: And can it be
All age introduction
Prayer
Song: Amazing Grace (My chains are gone)
Bible reading - Romans 8 vs 18 - 25, Mark 10 v 45
Talk
Words of response
Response Song: Who you say I am (Who am I)
Communion
Intercessions
Song 673: There is a redeemer
Final prayer and blessing
The grace

Notices

Our annual **Christian Aid cake stall** is on **Saturday 24th May** and I should be grateful for contributions.
Margaret Pike

Karen will be on holiday from Mon 26th May - Sun 1st June. Whilst she is away, please contact the Leadership or Pastoral Care Team with any church related issues.

Pentecost Picnic We are joining with other Berkhamsted Churches for a picnic at the castle on Sun 8th June from 12:30-13:30. Do come if you can!

Message from Carla: I would like to thank all of you who prayed for me; also for the 'get well' cards, flowers and messages, all of which really helped me. The good news is that my lump was not cancerous. Please continue to pray for my voice-box as it will take some time for full recovery.
Thank you all again. *Carla xx*

Meet & Make is on Tuesdays, 1.30-3.00 pm in the Lower Hall, using the Holliday Street entrance. Come and join us for a time spent doing arts and crafts or jigsaws and puzzles. All welcome.
There will be no Meet & Make session on Tuesday 27th May.

Open Church takes place every **Thursday 10.00 am until noon**. We meet in the Lower Hall. Do join us for tea/coffee and cake. We **still need more people** to come and help at Open Church. Can you help occasionally?
Carla

First Steps, our parent + toddler group, meets in the Lower Hall **1.30-2.45 on Thursdays** during term-time. We would love to have more helpers – not necessarily present every week – so please see Karen or Beth if you are able to assist.

Our **Small Groups** meet weekly and fortnightly. You are encouraged to attend one to share in mid-week fellowship and learn more about Jesus through his

Word. Please speak to Pat Ginger, Sandra Wotton or Alun Sainsbury if you wish to join or try a group.

We are continuing to collect food and other grocery items for the **DENS Foodbank**; these are delivered to Hemel Hempstead each week. Please leave your contributions in the box in the church entrance.

Their urgent needs include:

- Tinned/packet soup
- Rice
- Cooking sauces
- Long life juice/squash
- Tinned fruit
- Tinned kidney beans
- Tinned ham
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned sweetcorn
- Tinned vegetables
- Jams/spreads
- Cereal bars
- Tea bags
- Tinned spaghetti hoops
- Carrier bags
- Toilet roll
- Kitchen roll
- Laundry liquid/tabs/powder
- Shower gel
- Toothpaste
- Sanitary towels
- Nappies size 5, 5+, 6
- Sellotape

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Prayers

Please pray for

- The Sunday School team
- Those with health problems
- A lasting and just peace in Ukraine
- Our outreach to our community

From BMS World Mission

Praise God for opening a door for BMS to work in Mongolia. Pray that the training of disciple makers will lead to the planting of new churches and new disciples. Pray also for the distribution of 1,000 Bibles, which will enable new disciples to read God's story in their heart language.

You have gifted the Church
through the goodness of your Grace

to be your hands and do your work,
to be your voice and share your words,
to bring healing to a fallen world
and broken lives make whole.
You have gifted your people
with the blessings of your Spirit,
the power to transform lives
and make all things new.
Now may our hearts receive,
our mouths proclaim,
our hands prepare for service,
that the love that we have known
might overflow the lives we live
and pour into the hearts of others,
that all might receive your Grace,
your renewing Spirit and your love. Amen
From <https://www.faithandworship.com/>

Lord, thank you for walking with us through the
seasons of our lives.
For the winter, when we are held safe in your arms
through the darkness.
For the hope of spring, as we are filled with new
promise and life.
For summer time, full of warmth and colour
And for autumn days as leaves fall to seed new
growth.
You are always with us. Amen.
Prayer courtesy of www.prayerscapes.com

Show me your ways, LORD,
teach me your paths.
Guide me in your truth and teach me,
for you are God my Saviour,
and my hope is in you all day long.
Remember, LORD, your great mercy and love,
for they are from of old.
Do not remember the sins of my youth
and my rebellious ways;
according to your love remember me,
for you, LORD, are good.
Psalms 25 vs 4 - 7 (NIV)

And finally...

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.
2 Corinthians 3 v 17 (NIV)

*Items for the next News Sheet to Fliss Nesbitt by
Thursday 22nd May, please*