



Berkhamsted  
Baptist Church

# Weekly News

## Sunday 7th June 2026

### A family following Jesus

Let us consider how we may spur one another on towards love and good deeds. *Hebrews 10 v 24*

**Welcome to our Morning Service led by Revd Karen Bugg**

### Order of Service

Welcome and notices

Call to worship

Opening prayer

**Song 1040:** Come, now is the time to worship

**Song 1086:** Light of the world

**Song 38:** As we are gathered

Prayer

Drama

**Song 1372:** Who breaks the power

*Children go to group during song*

Bible reading: Hebrews 10.19-25

Talk: Being provoked to love and good deeds

**Song 1072:** In Christ alone

Communion

Intercessions

**Song 1127:** When I was lost (There is a new song)

Final prayer and blessing

The grace

Many thanks to all who supported our Christian Aid cake stall. **We raised £159** to go to the project in Kenya.  
*Margaret Pike*

**Meet & Make** takes place 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.

**Open Church** is on **Thursdays 10.00 am until noon**, but from now on will meet **only on the first and third** Thursdays of the month. Our next two meetings are therefore **18th June and 2nd July**. Do join us for tea/coffee and cake in the Lower Hall.

**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.

The **Petertide Fair** will be on Sunday 28th June, 12.30 - 3.30 pm. Everyone's invited to enjoy a fun-filled family fête in the churchyard of St Peter's, Berkhamsted. Entry is free, and all proceeds go to the St Peter's Renovation Appeal, to fix the leaking church roof.

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.

### Notices

The next meeting of the **Men's Group** will be a barbecue at 6.30 pm on **Wednesday 10th June** at the Manse, hosted by Matt Bugg. If you would like to join us, please let me know by noon today (Sunday). Thank you.  
*Chris Hayward*

We are in the process of **spring cleaning** the church. There is a list of tasks to be completed on the notice board in the kitchen corridor. Please sign up to jobs you intend to do, and tick when completed.

Their urgent needs include:

- Tinned peas
- Coffee
- Tinned ham/corned beef
- Tinned fruit
- Cooking sauces
- Long life juice/squash
- Tinned tomatoes
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned sweetcorn
- Tinned vegetarian meals
- Chocolate
- Custard
- Rice pudding
- Shower gel
- Soap bars
- Toothpaste
- Laundry liquids/tabs/powder
- 2-in-1 shampoo
- Carrier bags

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

## Prayers

Please pray for

- the Open Church team
- those struggling with finance
- those who suffer as a result of war and unrest
- Christians unable to meet openly for worship

*From BMS World Mission*

Pray for many mission workers to be sent to Mongolia to work with local churches in reaching university students for Christ. Many young people are coming to Christ through hearing the gospel when learning English from missionaries.

*Let my eyes  
be your eyes,  
sharing compassion,  
warmth and love.*

*Let my hands  
be your hands,  
bringing healing  
with their touch.*

*Let my ears  
be your ears,  
listening where  
there is need.*

*Let my words  
be your words,  
bringing comfort,  
joy and peace.*

*From <https://www.faithandworship.com/>*

Lord, help me to be an encouragement to others in the same way that You have sent many little encouragements to me along the way. There have been times of weariness and times of fear and times when I have felt ready to give up, but always at the right time there was a short note or a simple call or a little token of Your love for me, which You sent by means of the many people that You have lovingly placed in my life.

Thank You also, Lord, that You are our God of encouragement, and that we have Your indwelling Holy Spirit to help and to comfort in times of need. Teach me Your way and Your will, and help me always to heed the gentle promptings of the Spirit of Comfort within my heart, so that I may not miss an opportunity to be a minister of Your encouragement to others in times of need.

Oh Lord, more and more I long to breathe You into my very being and be saturated with Your love and grace, so that I may be equipped to breathe out Your love and joy and help and support and encouragement to all with whom I come in contact.

Show me Lord, how I can best be an encouragement to others, and may life point others to You and never to myself. May I decrease as You increase more and more in my life. I pray in Jesus' name, Amen.

*From <https://prayerist.com/>*

God whose love reaches to the highest heavens,  
how can we keep silent?

God whose righteousness stands like the tallest mountain,

how can we keep silent?

God whose justice is deeper than any ocean,  
how can we keep silent?

God whose grace flows like a never-ending river,  
how can we keep silent?

How can we not proclaim your majesty  
from generation to generation?

How can we not raise the lamp of your Salvation  
for all the world to see?

God whose love reaches to the highest heavens,  
we praise your mighty name!

*From <https://www.faithandworship.com/>*

## And finally...

Encourage one another and build each other up.  
*1 Thessalonians 5 v 11*

*Items for the next News Sheet to Fliss Nesbitt by  
Thursday 11th June, please*

**Motto text 2026:** So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness. See to it that no one takes you captive through hollow and deceptive philosophy, which depends on human tradition and the elemental spiritual forces of this world rather than on Christ.  
Colossians 2 vs 6 - 7 (NIV)

