

Prayers of Intercession

God of truth

On this day when we are reflecting on leadership,
we pray for those newly elected to Parliament
and for our new Prime Minister Keir Starmer.

May he and all who will serve as MPs use their strengths well,
be mindful of their weaknesses,

and be blessed with the gifts of courage, wisdom and integrity

For the good of all

We pray for all leaders in our churches and communities,
for the leaders in industry and for leaders in countries around the world,
particularly where the acquisition of power has corrupted
and the pursuit of more power has led to injustice, suppression and war...

May all who lead and all in power be held accountable for their actions
and be blessed with the gifts of humility, empathy and truthfulness

For the good of all

We ask this in the name of Jesus, servant, shepherd, king
who died and rose again

For the good of all

Amen

We pray for the people of Union Island,
left with so little after the devastation of Hurricane Beryl
We pray for the leaders of the neighbouring islands
as they organise supplies and support.

We pray for all those impacted by extreme weather,
and for the leaders of all the nations to unite
and invest in the future of our planet
and for one another as we seek to live more sustainably

For the good of all

We pray for those facing storms in their personal lives,
those who have been devastated by sudden tragedy, by the actions of others,
and those who regret their own actions
and the impact they have had on those around them....

For those whose long-term situations have left them with little energy and little hope,
Lord Jesus lead and guide them and us by your Spirit

For the good of all

We pray for ourselves and one another...

For those on our hearts and minds...

For those who have shaped our lives and guided us...

And for those we have the joy and the privilege of being alongside....

Bless each of us with compassion, openness and discernment

For the good of all

Amen

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Sunday 7 July 2024

Weekly Notices and Prayers (v1.0)

Bible reading for the week

Mark 6: 4-6

Jesus said to them, "A prophet is not without honor except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home." He could not do any miracles there, except lay his hands on a few sick people and heal them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

If you have any items that you would like to be added, or suggestions for inclusion, please advise [Mike Sims](mailto:Mike.Sims).



This Church has an inductive loop. Anyone attending Sunday services who has an appropriate hearing aid should switch to Channel T.

Sunday 7 July 2024

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Services and Meetings this week

Sunday – 9.30am - Our service will be led by Rev Calvin. Holy Communion will be celebrated during this service. Please also note that this will be **Calvin's last service with us at Rochford**. It would be lovely to see as many come along who are able, to mark this occasion.

Monday – 2 to 3.30pm - [Cake and Kindness](#). Pop in for a free cup of tea/coffee and a piece of homemade cake. It is open to all!

– **4 to 5pm** - [Lego building club](#) for families.

– **7 to 7.15pm** – **Rochford Prayer** via [Zoom](#). Meeting ID 942 6123 5641
Passcode: 331483

Tuesday – 7.30pm – **Bible Study** on [Zoom](#) – Phone 020 3901 7895. Meeting ID: 993 4565 1990, Passcode: 805792. We will be studying of 2 Thessalonians Chapter 3.

Thursday – 7.30pm - **Table Tennis**. Please let [Colin and Margaret](#) know if you're planning to come as there are occasions when they do not meet, so it's worth checking first.

Saturday – 10.30am – [Bradwell Pilgrimage and Gathering](#) – A day for all ages of reflection, worship, workshops, crafts and walks. Keynote Speaker will be the new Bishop of Bradwell, Rt. Rev Adam Atkinson

Forward Notices

Next Sunday – 9.30am - [Action for Children](#). The service will be a Local Arrangement led by the worship leaders. We will be distributing envelopes for our annual collection/donation from 7 July. Please donate whatever you are able and return by Sunday 28th July. Many thanks in advance. Val

– **6pm** – **Farewell Circuit Service for Rev Calvin** at [Rayleigh Methodist Church](#). Join us to say a fond farewell to Calvin, with worship, word and food. All welcome.

17 July – 8pm – **House Group** – We will be meeting at the home for Carole and Bruce Glendenning. If you would like further details, please speak to a Steward.

21 July- 10.45am – **Calvin's Final Service** in the Circuit will be at [Rayleigh Methodist Church](#). united section service in Rayleigh. If the weather is fine the service will be outside under the Wesley Oak Tree planted to commemorate the 250th anniversary of the conversion of John Wesley. After the service we'll have a picnic on the green. So please do plan to be there, if you can, and bring a picnic lunch.

20 July - Cleaners please note there will not be a Big Clean Saturday 20th July.

Other Forward Notices

20 July – 4-6pm – **Summer Party** for families. Pastor Mike is starting to make plans for this event. If you are able to help, please let him know.

Other Information

Church income was £141.00, which comprises the collection, Standing Orders paid directly into the Church account, plus other donations received over the last week.

Community Outreach Pastor update – I led two assemblies at Holt Farm School last week, which went well. We looked at the story of Moses and the escape from Egypt. I will be in Rochford Primary school this week. Lego and games club is also on this week. Please also remember that the Summer Party is on 20 July and if you are able to help out, please let me know. Thanks. Mike Webb.

Collect – Servant Lord, grant us both the opportunity and the will to serve you day by day. May all that we do and how we bear each other's burdens be our offering of love and service to the glory of your name. Amen.

A Prayer for after the General Election

God of justice, love and grace we pray for all who stood as candidates in the General Election. We pray for all who will now take up their seats as Members of Parliament, for our newly elected Government, and for those parties that will serve on the opposition benches.

May all who serve in Parliament do so with integrity, with care for the most vulnerable, and with concern for the common good. We pray they will be filled with compassion, wisdom and mercy.

May every member of the Government seek to do what is right, for the benefit of all.

We pray for all parliamentarians, their families and supporters whatever their beliefs, for those of all faiths and none. We pray for their safety and for the flourishing of all.

In your mercy, hear our prayer. Amen.

Our Elderly Friends - Please remember – Pat Rubidge, Gwen Smith, Marian Webb, and Maureen Whalley. All those who live alone would also appreciate phone calls. (Carole has all the phone numbers.)

Donations

If you would like to donate to the work of Rochford Methodist Church, you can do so from [here](#). If you want to buy something new, please remember to do so through [Easyfundraising](#).

To create a **Standing Order** for Rochford Methodist Church you will need the following details: A/c Name Rochford Methodist Church; A/c No 90766712; Sort Code 20 79 73. If you are a taxpayer, please could you contact Bruce Glendenning so that a simple form can be easily filled in. We can then reclaim tax back on the donations.

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