



Woodley Baptist Church

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'United in knowing Jesus and making Him known'.

SUNDAY 26th JULY 2026

TODAY'S SERVICES

10.15am: Café Church with Graham Sumbler leading
Alive 5 – Fulfilling our purpose – Saul/Paul

Please note that refreshments are served from 10.00am and worship will start at 10.15am.

Refreshments: Paul Kingsnorth and Ginny Priddy

Prayer Team: John & Sylvia Saunders

12.30pm Church bring and share lunch

6.30pm: Sunday Evening Prayer Hour

Everyone is welcome to join via Zoom:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87827308029?pwd=Vi9wTldoejV0bjNwd2xnc3pwK3NyUT09>

Meeting ID: 878 2730 8029

Passcode: 503411

SUNDAY – 2nd AUGUST 2026
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10.15am: Service with Danny Raimundo leading and preaching
Philippians - The Gospel creates a People

Refreshments:

Prayer Team: Grace Hope and Grahame White

6.30pm: Informal Service of Worship and Praise led by Grahame White

PRAYER MEETINGS

MONDAY MORNING

Please join us for the Monday morning prayer meeting in the lounge from 10-10.30am when we will be praying for activities in the church during the coming week.

THURSDAY EVENING

The next meeting will take place on 23rd July at 7.30pm. Please join us as we seek the Lord for the ministry of WBC.

A WORD FROM THE PASTOR

Philippians is a letter that shouldn't exist.

If you were in prison, what kind of letter would you write?

One asking for justice?

Complaining about unfairness?

Wondering where God had gone?

Paul writes about **joy**.

That only makes sense if the gospel is more than a belief.

It must be a reality powerful enough to reshape the way we interpret suffering, success and even life itself.

Perhaps the greatest miracle in Philippians isn't that Paul remained faithful in prison. It's that prison never became the centre of his story. Christ did.

We all interpret life through something. Our circumstances. Our fears. Our ambitions. Our past.

Philippians gently, but relentlessly, asks us to see everything through Christ instead.

Pastor Danny

GENERAL NOTICES

'COOL SPACES' COFFEE MORNINGS

Those who attended the Church Meeting will have already heard Grace's suggestion that we open up the church lounge as a cool space, similar to the warm spaces during the winter months, for people to come into our air-conditioned lounge for refreshments and a chat. We would like to be open on Thursday and Friday mornings from 10.00am-12.00 noon during August. For this to go ahead, volunteers are needed to sign up to serve our local community in this way. If you are able to offer one or more mornings please add your name to the sign-up sheet.

URGENT HELP NEEDED ON SUNDAY MORNINGS

During August we are looking for folk to serve refreshments after the Sunday Services whilst some of our regular servers are away. If you are able to offer your time please sign-up on the sheet at the back of church

FOOD BANK NEEDS

Food stocks are very low in the Foodbank cabin. Products that we are in desperate need of this week include:

Pasta Sauces

Tinned Tomatoes

Baked Beans

Vegetable Soup

Tinned Fruit

For those of you who would prefer to make a monetary gift, the Food Bank has an online stewardship page –

<https://www.give.net/20181094>.

The latest edition of **UCB Word for Today** is now available from the rack in the foyer.

FAMILY MATTERS

The funeral of **John Tidmarsh** will take place on Friday 7th August. Everyone is welcome to the Service of Committal which will be held at Reading Crematorium at 12.15pm. It will be followed by a Service of Thanksgiving here at Woodley Baptist Church at 2.30pm.

Request for help - Please consider if you may be able to help with setting up, serving refreshments and/or clearing up afterwards.

Please also consider if you could bake or donate some small cakes or a large one to add to the refreshments which will be ready prepared.

A sign-up sheet for both requests is available at the back.

CHURCH DIRECTORY:

Andy & Dot Butler no longer have a landline. In future, please use their mobile numbers to contact them:

Andy: 07810 590804

Dot: 07906 346603

ADVANCE NOTICES

PEOPLE'S EMERGENCY BRIEFING

St. James Church, Woodley, are hosting a People's Emergency Briefing on Monday 10th August from 7pm-9pm. They will show a 50-minute film featuring nine leading UK climate change scientists and experts. It's the clearest, plainest explanation there is of how our weather, our food, our health and the places we love, are changing.

The event is free and refreshments will be provided but you will need to register your attendance via the link below as the organisers need to know numbers.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/peoples-emergency-briefing-in-woodley-tickets-1993325891400?aff=oddtcreator>

HOLIDAY BIBLE CLUB

'TEAM BUILDERS'

Christ Church will be running their annual Bible Club from Monday 3rd to Friday 7th August from 9.45am-12.30pm. Please see the flyer at the back for further information.



Please pray for the war in the Middle East and the ongoing situation in Ukraine and Syria.

Please pray for John Tidmarsh's family, as they mourn John's passing and make arrangements for his funeral.

Please pray for our elderly folk in care homes, **Audrey Goulding** and **Jean Prince**.

Please pray for Anne Duffin who is having a heart procedure next Friday at the Middlesex Hospital.

Please pray for Pauline Hobbs (a Cameo member) in the RBH, with a fractured hip following a fall.

Please pray for John & Julie Russell, Anne Duffin, Lynne Gibson, Jean James, Anne Ballard, Sylvia Saunders, Peggy Reynolds, Margaret Stamp, Val & Brian Lee and family, Jonathan Edwards, Peter Kerr and Mandy & Allan Dodd.

We'd love you to join us at
Woodley Baptist Church's

SUNDAY MORNING CAFÉ CHURCH

10am to 11.30am

The service starts at 10:15.

Drinks and pastries will be served all through the morning. Families welcome.

**NEW
5 PART
SERIES**

ALIVE

**LIFE-CHANGING
ENCOUNTERS WITH
THE RISEN JESUS**

Take this opportunity with us for a closer look at the resurrection of Jesus, but more specifically, how he changed lives, and still changes lives today. We look at the basic human longings of **LOVE, HOPE, PEACE, FREEDOM AND PURPOSE** that we need to have satisfied by God if we're going to feel fully alive.

22 MARCH ALIVE 1

TRANSFORMED BY **LOVE** - MARY MAGDALENE

26 APRIL ALIVE 2

SURPRISED BY **HOPE** - ROAD TO EMMAUS

31 MAY ALIVE 3

FILLED WITH **PEACE** - THOMAS

28 JUNE ALIVE 4

LIVING IN **FREEDOM** - PETER

26 JULY ALIVE 5

FULFILLING OUR **PURPOSE** - SAUL/PAUL

TIME TO CHAT & EXPLORE



Holiday Bible Club

TEAM BUILDERS

Christ Church, Woodley, RG5 3LA



Monday 3rd - Friday 7th August 2026

9:45am - 12:30pm (Monday 9:30am)

With a celebration finale on Sunday 9th, 10am - 12pm

For Children aged 5-11 years, free of charge

Activities include: Group Art, Drama, Cooking
Craft, Bible Stories, games & lots of fun!!

Pre-registration recommended.

Please use this link:



Contact: HBC@Christ-church-woodley.org.uk
for more details.

Park United Reformed Church presents...

HEROES

(IN TRAINING)

HOLIDAY CLUB

JOIN US FOR
AMAZING DAYS OF
FUN, FRIENDSHIP
AND FAITH!

Snacks and Lunch
provided

CRAFTS
GAMES
STORIES
and
CHALLENGES



10th - 14th AUG 2026

10:30 am - 3pm

For kids ages 5 - 11

£5 per child, per day



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