

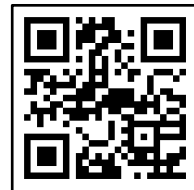
# Church Matters

12 – 18 April 2026

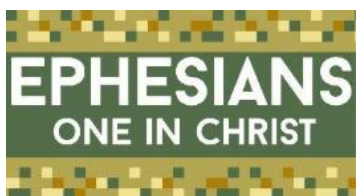

**Christ Church** Dunstable   
bringing the hope of Christ from the heart of Dunstable

## Welcome to Christ Church Dunstable!






We're delighted you're here and trust you feel at home amongst us. If you are new here, we would love to get to know you better. Please visit [ccd.church/welcome](http://ccd.church/welcome) or use the QR code to provide your contact details.



## OUR SUNDAY SERVICES

	<b>Morning Services 9:15am &amp; 11:15am</b>
	<b>There's a Battle on!</b> Ephesians 6:10-12 Gareth Mitchell
	<b>Evening Service 6:15pm</b>
	<b>The Hope that is Before Us!</b> Revelation 21:1-8 Michael Teutsch (Director for Central England, FIEC)
Go to <a href="http://ccd.church/live">ccd.church/live</a> to view the 11:15am and the 6:15pm services.	

## CHILDREN'S & YOUTH WORK TODAY

	Crèche facilities for under 2's are available in the Church Hall
	<b>2-4's in the Church Hall (beneath the auditorium)</b> Thank you God for my eyes (Psalm 94:7-9) <b>Big Idea:</b> God made our eyes
	<b>4-7's in the Lounge (Church Office) &amp; 8-11's in The Way</b> A Human King (1 Samuel 8:1-22) <b>Big Idea:</b> Any desire to be like the world is a rejection of God and his rule
 	<b>Nano is for 11-14's and Frontline is for 14-18's</b> <b>Nano:</b> Listen Up! – <b>start in The Way</b> <b>Frontline:</b> meeting after the Evening Service in The Way

## THIS WEEK

<b>Mon 13</b>	9:45am – 12:15pm 7:45pm	<b>Tiddlers &amp; Toddlers:</b> on Easter Break <b>Needle &amp; Thread:</b> in the Church Building <b>English Classes:</b> in The Way
<b>Tue 14</b>	10am – 12pm 2:30 – 4:30pm <b>7:45pm</b>  <b>7:45pm</b>	<b>Art:</b> in The Way <b>Foodbank:</b> in The Way <b>Equip Training:</b> 'Bible Handling', week 1 of 4, in the Lounge, see below for more details. <b>Thinking Biblically:</b> 'Was the Sabbath made for Christians?', in the Church Building, see below for more details.
<b>Wed 15</b>	9:30 – 11am   7:30 – 9pm	<b>Workshop Wednesdays:</b> in the Cabin <b>W@CC:</b> on Easter Break <b>Wednesday Club:</b> on Easter Break <b>Nano:</b> are not meeting this evening. <i>See below for details of <b>Nano Day</b> on Saturday, 18 April.</i> <b>Quiz Night:</b> in The Way
<b>Thur 16</b>	10:30 – 11:45am	<b>Connect:</b> Relax with Art Table, in The Way
<b>Fri 17</b>	9:30 – 11:30am 12:30 – 2:30pm	<b>Knit &amp; Natter:</b> in The Way <b>Foodbank &amp; Drop In:</b> in The Way
<b>Sat 18</b>	2 – 4pm <b>2 – 7:30pm</b>  7:30 – 9:30pm	<b>CCD Walkers:</b> see opposite for more details <b>Nano Day:</b> in the Church Building (for those who have signed up). <b>Frontline:</b> in The Way

## NEXT SUNDAY – 19 April

Do join us for our **Morning Services at 9:15 and 11:15am**, when **Gareth Mitchell** will be preaching and continuing our series in Ephesians.

At our **6:15pm Evening Service**, **Phil Hammersley** will be preaching God's Word to us.

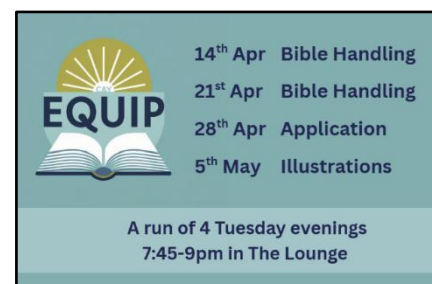
### Equip – Tuesday 14 April, in The Lounge

Equip training sessions are for C&Y leaders. If you teach regularly or are interested in starting to teach in our children's and youth groups, do consider joining us.

**Please let Katie know if you are intending to come.**

### Thinking Biblically – Tuesday 14 April, in the Church Building

We are looking forward to David Green speaking to us on the topic: '**Was the Sabbath made for Christians?**'. All are welcome to this evening event.



## Global Mission Quarterly Bulletin

A copy of the Quarterly Bulletin for our Global Mission Partners is available for you to take in the Foyer. Please use it to pray for each of them.



April 2026: Quarterly Global Mission Bulletin  
Please continue to pray regularly for all our Global Mission Partners

**David & Debbie Woodard**  
ABWE, based in the US



We're excited to share that we'll be making a trip back to England in May! During our time there, we'll meet up with ABWE church workers and several ministry friends. Our plan is to join with New City Church MK on the morning of Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May and then to join you at Christ Church Dunstable that Sunday evening!

We're rejoicing in the Lord's precious grace and mercy in answering ten years of prayer for our son Micah and his family. Micah and Lauren are once again faithfully serving the Lord. Over the past year, we've seen the Lord do a great redemptive work in their lives. Micah is serving as the Executive Pastor of a new inner city church plant in Scranton, Pennsylvania. Pray for many to encounter Christ at Community Church Scranton.

Our ministry schedule continues to expand with preaching, teaching in our church Bible College, our Grief Share ministry, hosting in our home and multiple opportunities in counselling. We're grateful the Lord allows us to remain actively involved with ABWE. We recently returned for a stint of work at the international headquarters in Harrisburg.

Time marches on! This August, our granddaughter Alli is to be married! It's now over 38 years ago that we moved to our beloved England. David just celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday! This autumn, we're planning a trip to celebrate our upcoming 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary next year. Following God's plan over the years has been a great adventure and we believe the Lord still has a great work for us to fulfil!

## CCD Walkers – Saturday 18 April

The next CCD walk is on **Saturday 18th April** starting at **2pm** from the main car park opposite St. Mary's Church, Woburn (MK17 9PG). It will be about 6 miles long. If you would like a lift to the start of the walk, meet at CCD for 1.30pm.

## Upcoming Wedding – Friday 24 April

All are welcome to the wedding of **Marianne Mackinley** and **Graham Storey** at Christ Church Dunstable on **Friday 24<sup>th</sup> April, 11:30am**.

## The Hub Day In – Saturday 25 April

We are excited to announce that our Hub group of CCD have an opportunity to meet together for a whole day; spending time eating together, singing together, praying together, hearing from God's Word and having fun as we get to know each other better. If you're 19, in your 20's, 30's or maybe you've even turned 40...come join us! The cost is £12.

### **TODAY IS THE LAST CHANCE TO SIGN UP!**

For more details or to sign up go to: [ccd.church/hubdayin](https://ccd.church/hubdayin) or scan the QR code.

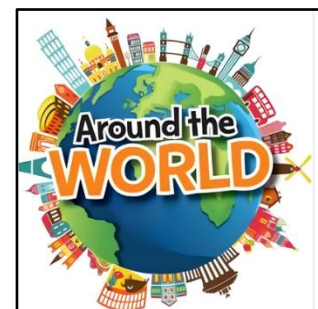


## Open Mic Night in The Way – Wednesday 29 April

On Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April, there is a special Wednesday night event in The Way. Steve Neal and Vinnie Walker will be hosting an 'Open Mic' night from 7:30-9pm. All are welcome to either take part by performing a song or just coming along to listen.

## Around the World Day, Priory Gardens, Dunstable – Saturday 16 May

On **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May**, we will be attending the town council's *Around the World* event which celebrates the cultural diversity of Dunstable. We want to celebrate the diversity of God's church; all one in Christ. We would love to form a team of many nationalities and languages to help run activities, and to talk to folk at the event. We usually share out the day across the team by running two shifts (am/pm). If you would like to join us this year, please go to [ccd.church/team](https://ccd.church/team) to sign up or speak to Steve Neal for further information.



# Sermon Notes




[ccd.breezetranslate.com](https://ccd.breezetranslate.com)



Use this website to read and listen to a translation of our services each Sunday into your language.



 Hearing Loop - there are many places around the auditorium ground floor that you can pick it up well, but it is best to avoid the first 3 rows for the best reception.

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