# **Church Matters**

18 May 2025



### 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** or use the QR code to provide your contact details.



#### **OUR SERVICES TODAY**



# Morning Services 9.15am & 11.15am

# **God's Mighty King**

1 Chronicles 10:13-11:14 & 12:38-40

Phil Hammersley



# **Evening Service 6.15pm**

# Thriving through Life's Exams

Philippians 4:4-9

Steve Neal

#### CHILDREN'S & YOUTH WORK TODAY

| Crèche   | Crèche facilities for under 2's are available in the Church Hall.   |  |
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| Footsters  | 2-4's in the Church Hall (beneath the auditorium) Thank you God for my Dad (Matthew 7:7-11 and Ephesians 6:1-3) Big Idea: to thank God for our dads.  |  |
| Adventurës<br>Explorers  | 4-7's in the Lounge (Church Office) & 8-11's in The Way The King's Priority (Mark 1:29-39) Big Idea: the best way to help people is to tell them Jesus' Good News, even if they have other great needs. |  |
| Nano is for 11-14's and Frontline is for 14-18's  Nano: Jesus & the Rich Man (Matthew 19:16-30) Big Idea: Jesus showed a morally upright man that he loved his money more than God, but he refused to change.  Frontline: AfterChurch in The Way |   |  |

# **Church Family News**

#### **THIS WEEK**

| Mon 19  | 9:30 – 11am      | Tiddlers & Toddlers: in The Way              |
|---------|------------------|--|
|         | 9:45am – 12:15pm | Needle & Thread: in the Church Building      |
|         | 7:45pm           | English Classes: in The Way                  |
| Tue 20  | 10am – 12pm      | Art: in The Way                              |
|         | 2:30 – 4:30pm    | Foodbank: in The Way                         |
|         | 7:45pm           | Members Meeting: in the Church Building      |
| Wed 21  | 9:30 – 11am      | Workshop Wednesdays: in the Cabin            |
|         | 9:45 – 11am      | <b>W@CC:</b> in the Church Building, Study 4 |
|         | 5:30 – 6:45pm    | Wednesday Club: in the Church Building       |
|         | 7:00 – 8:45pm    | Nano: in the Church Building                 |
|         | 7:30pm           | Quiz Night: in The Way                       |
| Thur 22 | 10am – 11.45am   | Connect: 'How to Train a Puppy'              |
| Fri 23  | 9:30 – 11:30am   | Knit and Natter: in The Way                  |
|         | 12:30 – 2:30pm   | Foodbank & Drop in: in The Way               |
| Sat 24  | 1pm              | Wedding of Harry King and Emily Mitchell     |
|         |                  | Frontline: on half-term break                |
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# **NEXT SUNDAY – 25<sup>th</sup> May**

Please join us for our Morning Services at 9:15am and 11:15am and our Evening Service at 6:15pm.

#### **Safety in the Church Forecourt**

As we are now heading towards better weather, our Church forecourt is more popular for people to use to spend time in fellowship on Sundays. We love having so many children at our Sunday services and we want to keep them, as well as everyone else, safe. Please can we remind you of the following, thank you:

- Please be aware of those leaving and arriving who need more time and space to walk through the forecourt and who are therefore more vulnerable.
- Please also be aware of the open gates, main road and of strangers passing through the site.
- Children must be supervised by an adult once they have left their groups. Please do not allow them to play downstairs in the Church Hall, on stairwells or on the balcony. When outside, children should always be in sight of their parents and not climbing on walls, fences, etc. or playing with leather footballs.

# **Global Mission**

#### Jan & Ana Franka

#### **ABWE, Serbia**

Greetings from southern Serbia. Today is the evening of May 14th, and we are on a tour through several Serbian cities, reaching people with the



Gospel. Every day we are out with our stand, giving out many Bibles, New Testaments, and other literature. We were surprised that a lot of young people came to us with an open mind. Yesterday, we had a good conversation with two girls about Creation and Evolution, so they accepted a Bible and a book speaking about Biblical Creation. With every book, we are giving a Radio Sinaj card as well, and we saw several new listeners on the radio platform.

One lady came back and returned the literature. Probably someone told her that we are a sect. There were many good conversations, a lot of flyers were distributed into mailboxes as well. May the Word of the Lord bring spiritual fruits in these two cities. Please pray for the cities of Pozarevac and Smederevo.

The rest of the week, we will attend a Mission conference, where Jan will be one of the speakers.

### Hub - 18th May

Hub will be meeting **tonight** after the Evening Service at Tim Horton's. Please see one of the Hub leaders for more information.

# Holiday Bible Club Leaders - 26th - 29th August

Holiday Bible Club will be running from **Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> to Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August**. If you are able to help whether as a leader, in tech, registration or can offer other help, please sign up at **ccd.church/hbcleader** 

## Tax Year 2024/25

2024/25 financial giving letters will be coming to you by email in the weeks ahead so please ensure that your ChurchSuite email address is correct. If you have any questions or queries, please direct them to dudley@ccd.church

#### **Dunstable Foodbank**

Items most in need this month are: instant mashed potato; tinned carrots; cartons of fruit juice; tinned tomatoes; sponge puddings; tinned meat meals; strong clean carrier bags.

# Sermon Notes

### In need of the T-loop for better hearing?



We have a hearing loop installed in the auditorium and the Foyer for use by people with hearing aids. There are many places around the auditorium ground floor that you can pick it up well, but it is best to <u>avoid</u> the first 3 rows for the best reception.