



# Ruislip Manor Methodist Church

Sunday 5th April—26th April 2026

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## SERVICE ON SUNDAY 5th April

**11.00am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Mr Richard Reid**

## SERVICE ON SUNDAY 12th April

**11.00am Ruislip Methodist Church: Joint Service at Ruislip**

## SERVICE ON SUNDAY 19th April

**11.00am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Revd Julie King, Communion**

## SERVICE ON SUNDAY 26th April

**11.00am Ruislip Manor Methodist Church: Deacon Mel Beaven, joint service with Ruislip**

To join the service on line, join it later or go to any of the other recent selected services

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## FRIENDSHIP TEAS – change of date.

**PLEASE REMEMBER that Friendship Teas is on – Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March.** Back to the usual first Sunday from May onwards!

## IN MEMORY

The new Camelia planted to the right of the main church doors is in memory of Beryl (Henry) . The ladies of the Tuesday Craft Group, of which she was a founding member, all donated to it's purchase.

## ITEMS FOR UKRAINE

At the very start of the monthly RMMC Knit & Natter group, in March 2023, one of the members was knitting warm clothing for Ukrainian babies and children aged 0-6yrs and invited others to contribute. Many other members have been keen to help and, over the months and years since then, they have been donating regularly not just knitted garments and wool but many other types of much-needed items. The items are taken to a group in Putney called The Scrubbery (you can look them up online). The group, named by the volunteers making much-needed scrubs during Covid, sends a van out to Ukraine about once a month.

The Scrubbery says of its work for Ukraine that it, "...combines practical aid with direct action. We make, purchase, collect and sort essential humanitarian supplies, helping to fill the transport vehicles of aid convoys. Alongside this, our volunteers also undertake deliveries ourselves and raise funds to purchase and equip ambulances and support hospitals." Working out of a school, The Shrubbery are, "...also building lasting community links, connecting young people in Putney and Ukraine through solidarity, friendship and shared purpose."

Charitable donations are very much a part of the Methodist way of life and it seemed to us that perhaps RMMC might wish to support this humanitarian aid for Ukraine. The items would be of a non-military nature...many are items we would normally throw away! Church Council agreed to a request to have a large crate in the church entrance lobby into which donations are requested for the following:

- Knitted items for babies/children, esp 0-6yrs; knitting wool.
- New babies/children's items (perhaps from charity shops).
- clean (empty) tin cans of any size and old candles – these are made into 'trench candles' which are used for heating, light and cooking.
- tinned food (in date) esp peanut butter, which, in a sandwich, provides a quick source of protein.
- first aid and all sorts of medical aids and items, inc slings, walking sticks etc and out of date new packaged items (which can't legally be used here but for which they are glad - for example, bandages, plasters etc.)
- Cleansing wipes, body lotions and creams, cotton wool balls and cleansing pads (these are soaked in wax to make fire lighters), hotel freebies.

- Children's books, pencils and crayons.
  - Ibuprofen, paracetamol, cold and flu remedies, and antihistamines are also required but these would need to be handed directly to Eileen, to be locked away.
- This is not an exclusive list...they welcome all sorts of things...last year an unwanted new spare wheel and tyre went out to Ukraine! They truly welcome all sorts of stuff...if you have something you think might be useful, just ask Eileen who will (if necessary) make enquiries.

### NEWS FROM CHURCH COUNCIL

The Church Council met on 17 March, for which Minutes will be available in due course...ahead of those, though, you may wish to hear about the following items, which were discussed...

#### Service times

With a shortage of Ministers we have previously been requested, several times, to consider changing our service time ...this would enable Ministers to lead 2 services each Sunday and mean fewer joint services or LAs, as Julie would be able to lead our worship twice a month. A recommendation was made that we ought to show willingness to be flexible and jump before being pushed. (Church names would go in a hat in June if nobody was willing). Hayes End have trialled this with great success. It was proposed that, perhaps, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday each month (commencing, probably, September) might be held at the earlier time of 9.30am and opinions are to be canvassed in this regard.

#### Gift Day

It was agreed that, with the earlier generosity of some members to projects in urgent need of attention, there was no immediate need to request monetary gifts this year.

#### Discoverers

It was announced that, sadly, Discoverers would be drawing to an end this summer. Many of the children now have sporting commitments on a Sunday morning, so numbers have dwindled and Kathryn felt that, after 16 years of service leading the group, she and Gavin now needed to step down and be able to attend church services themselves. They are both thanked for their long and dedicated service and for the many, wonderful Nativities they have organised in the past, and which will be sorely missed.

#### Banners

It has, in the past, been policy not to allow banners on the church fence, other than to advertise church events but it was agreed that, for a trial period, regular hiring groups might be permitted to attach a banner of limited size to the fence to the left of the car park gates for one month at a time.

#### Fire Drill

It was announced that a long-overdue fire drill will be carried out at the end of a Sunday service once the weather is likely to be reasonable. This will probably take place at an LA we are running or when Julie is leading our worship – you will be fore-warned!

Eileen Mar 2026

**World Day of Prayer** - pls amend item to say: Julie and Eileen took part in the World Day of Prayer service, organised and led by Fr Tommy and held at St Pauls, RM in March; the service was attended by about 25 ladies from various churches in the area, a few of whom also took part.

### **Ken Luxon**

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Ken Luxon. We fondly remember Ken, a former local preacher in the Circuit who used and shared his story telling skills. Please remember his wife, Revd Pearl and all the family at this sad time, praying to our God of comfort in their sorrow.

### **Flowers**

There are spaces on the flower list on the notice board by the kitchen in the coffee lounge. If you would like a dedication or would like to put some flowers in church one Sunday please add your name to the list. . It's always uplifting to have a display of flowers in church for the services, it doesn't have to be a big display just some in a vase would be lovely.

But please be sure to top them up with water if they are there for more than one week and also to dispose of them when they are finished, as a vase of dead flowers is not very welcoming.

### **Prayer Requests**

Please remember in your prayers all those of our friends who are housebound and the families and friends of those who have passed away recently.

Please continue to pray for :-

Anyone suffering from mental issues and from loneliness because of isolation. Please include in your prayers all our members and friends who have any illness or infirmity. Prayers and Blessings to all at Ruislip Manor and beyond - stay safe.

Any requests for prayers please send to [prayerrequests@rmmc.org.uk](mailto:prayerrequests@rmmc.org.uk)

**Please continue to Pray for Israel, Gaza and the situation in Middle East**

**Also remember in Prayer Armenia, Libya, Guyana, Afghanistan, Morocco, Yemen, Syria Sudan and South Sudan and all places of conflict or disaster as well as for those involved in the rescue and reconstruction efforts.**

**Please Continue to Pray for Ukraine and its People as they continue their fight to free their country**

### **Friday 3rd April**

This week we pray for all at Trinity Church.

We bring Tudor Luncheon Club to God in prayer.

We also pray for the people who live in Brixham Crescent and Chelston Approach.

### **Friday 10th April**

This week we pray for all at Wealdstone Methodist Church.

We bring 1st Ruislip Manor Guides to God in prayer.

We also pray for the people who live in Chelston Road and Chudleigh Way.

### **Friday 17th April**

This week we pray for all involved in the work of the Harrow and Hillingdon Methodist Circuit.

We bring Harlington Hospice and Michael Sobell House to God in prayer.

We also pray for the people who live in Cornwall Road and Cottingham Chase.

### **Friday 24th April**

This week we pray for all at Yiewsley Methodist Church.

We bring Hillingdon Hospital and Hillingdon Council to God in prayer.

We also pray for the people who live in Dartmouth Road and Dawlish Drive.

**We wish many happy returns to all who celebrate a birthday in April**



Items for the News sheet for Sunday 3rd May to **Janet Miles** , by email

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by **Tuesday 21st April** please