

Prayers of Intercession

Faithful God, amidst the complexities of our world, we pray for those wrestling with the difficult decisions they have to make and those struggling to do the right thing. We pray for the leaders of the world, especially Andy Burnham in his early days in office as he builds relationships with other leaders and tackles urgent issues at home and abroad. We pray for President Trump and the leaders of the Middle East; for those whose lives are impacted by his and their decisions; and for all who are suffering under corrupt or cruel regimes. Particularly we pray for those living in war zones, in places where there are few resources and great need - remembering Gaza, the Sudan and those places where people live in constant fear...

Lord, may we never let them go unprayed for and may they know your blessing.

We pray for all those struggling to contain the devastating wildfires across Europe and around the world - for all in the emergency services, especially the fire fighters as they risk their lives day after day.

We remember those who have been killed and injured, for all who have seen their homes and livelihoods destroyed and for all the animals and wildlife decimated by the destruction of their habitats

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We pray for the rescue workers in south-west Japan and those killed and injured in the recent earthquake. We pray for all communities around the world who slip out of the news but who are struggling to rebuild their homes and their lives after extreme weather conditions...

Lord, may we never let them go unprayed for and may they know your blessing.

We pray for young people who have struggled with their exams and are now waiting for results. For those wrestling with decisions about their future.

We pray for safety for all children through the summer weeks especially those holidaying or living by water. We pray for life guards and all who have the responsibility of caring for young people and those who are vulnerable

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And finally we pray for those we know who are struggling physically, mentally or financially; for those who wrestle with addictions and for those who feel alone and forgotten.

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Sunday 2 August 2026

Weekly Notices and Prayers (v1.0)

Bible reading for the week

Hebrews 10:24–25

"And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another."

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



HEARING LOOP INSTALLED

Switch hearing aid to T-coil

Sunday 2 August 2026

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Services and Meetings this week

Saturday – 10:30am to 12:30pm – Church Vision Day. As we come to the end of Pastor Mike's 3-year contract, we would like to gather together as a church to share ideas of how God will be guiding us for the next stage of our faith journey with Him. Rev Agnes will be leading this meeting and we will close with a packed lunch together.

Sunday – 9.30am – Our service will be led by Rev Agnes and there will be four baptisms and a welcoming into church membership during this service. We will be welcoming Florence into membership, and she and her 3 daughters are all going to be baptised – Chidimma, Chizaram and baby Chiziterem. Holy Communion will be celebrated during this service and there will be some celebration nibbles following. Please come along, if you can, to celebrate this joyous occasion!

Monday – 4.00 to 5.00pm – Monday Club. This will restart in September.

– 7.00 to 7.15pm – Rochford Prayer via [Zoom](#). Meeting ID 768 0376 1257
Passcode: 8yTeDH.

Tuesday – 7.30pm – Bible Study. This will restart in September.

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.

Friday – 9.30 to 11.30am – Happy Cup Breakfast Club. This will restart in September.

Forward Notices

Next Sunday – 9.30am – Local Arrangement – Songs of Praise – Please let [Mike Sims](#) know by today (Sunday) if you would be willing to share a favourite hymn, song, Bible passage or poem. We want this to be as interactive as possible with many people taking a small part in the service.

Gift Fortnight – It's not too late if you still haven't contributed, but would like to. Our Treasurer is holding off announcing the total until next month, for any late-comers. These donations will be specifically to refurbish the Benson Room by buying new comfortable chairs to replace the low ones that we currently have.

25 August – 11.00am to 1.00pm – Teddy Bears' Picnic - Lunchtime cooking club for children and teddy bears. For tickets use this [link](#). A responsible adult will need to stay at all times. Places are limited. Please book one ticket per family.

Other Information

Church income was £262.00, which comprises collections, Standing Orders paid directly into the Church account, plus other donations received over the last week.

JMA Boxes - It is that time of year again so if you have a JMA collecting box please can you let Judy have it for our annual accounts. Many thanks Judy

Caring for our environment – small Shifts at Home

As the warm summer weather continues, consider taking a few simple steps to tread lightly on God's creation:

- Water wisdom: Keep a bowl in the kitchen sink to collect rinse water for pot plants or garden beds.
- Line drying: Take advantage of the long daylight hours to dry laundry outside rather than using a tumble dryer.

Collect – Lord and Giver of life, you alone nourish and sustain your people, through Christ, the bread of life. Feed our hunger and quench our thirst, that we may no longer work for what fails to satisfy, but do what you require, in obedience and faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Elderly Friends - Please remember – Sylvia, Pat, Gwen and Maureen.

Other Forward Notices

7 August – 10.00am to 12.00noon - Book Sale & Coffee Morning - Gifts & Toiletries and Big Book Sale, plus homemade cakes. Chalkwell Park Methodist Church, SS0 9XF.

12 September – 7.00pm – Folk concert - "'[OUR ATLANTIC ROOTS](#)' fuse together poetic lyrics and cinematic instrumentation, creatively presenting a blend of the cultures they are individually from, by merging genres characterized by their country and folk roots".

[Highlands Methodist Church](#). Tickets: £5.00 per head, available from: [We Got Tickets](#). Profits will go to the charity [Aspirations in Southend](#).

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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