

Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

Weekly Newsheet

28 Sept 2025

"Your local Town Centre Church bringing God's love to the heart of the community".

If you are joining us for the first time, please make yourself at home and stay for tea or coffee which is served at the end of the morning service. Here you will have the opportunity to talk to members of the congregation who will be happy to answer any questions.



Sunday 28 Sept

28 Sept 10.00am Service preparation
11.00am Worship – Simon Rowe
11.00am **EXPLORERS**

It would be appreciated if mobile phones are turned off or put in silent mode. Thank you

Care Team If you would like someone to talk to or to pray with in confidence, representatives from our Care Team are available at each service. They can be identified by their red badges.

Future Services

5 Oct 11.00am - Deacon Vic Downs
11.00am **EXPLORERS**
(our youth will be at 3 Generate in the NEC, Birmingham this Sunday)

12 Oct 11.00am – Theme - Homelessness
11.00am **EXPLORERS**

19 Oct 11.00am – led by **EXPLORERS**
Theme - 3 Generate

Changes are a foot.

Our Rev Alex read out a letter in church last Sunday; for anyone not there, here is a synopsis:-
Our Circuit and District have been discussing how best to organise this circuits minsters and churches from September 2026 and have agreed the following:-

The Rev Bonni-Belle Pickard retires in September 2026 and the Rex Alex Terrett will be moving into the manse at Maidstone; taking over as Superintendent minister for at least a year and will be responsible for churches in Maidstone. The minister responsible for The Brent church in Dartford will change to the Rev Rocky Chan from September 2027.

It is hoped that a new minister will be appointed for our church and Deneholm and who will also be appointed as a Deputy District Chair (1/3 of his time being devoted to District matters). (The District has 3 deputy district chairs and this new minister will be responsible for most of Kent). Toward the end of November/early December we should know whether or who our new minister will be from September 2026.

So, we all need to PRAY about these changes, 'that they will go smoothly and successfully'.

Minister - Rev Alexandra Terrett– Email a.terrett@btinternet.com (Alex's day off is Friday)

Senior Church Steward - Sheila Allison Email sheila_allison@btinternet.com **Pastoral matters**-Joyce Woodcraft Email joyceatlast@talktalk.net **Property or administration** - Eric Davis Email eric@ehdavis.me.uk

Finances - Kate or Robert Hardy Email kateahardy16@gmail.com or roberthardy33@gmail.com

Deacon -Vic Downs (Retired) Email deacon45@virginmedia.com

Church Tel: 01474 328249 (answerphone) **or use the contact form on our church web site –**
www.gravesendmethodistchurch.org.uk

Community Centre Manager – Vicki Clarke Tel 328249

Bookings - For hall & room bookings please contact Vicki Clarke - Community Centre Manager tel. 328249

Weekly Notice Sheet Editor – for the next edition is **Robert Hardy**. All items for the news sheet should be with Robert by 12 noon on Wednesday please. Email roberthardy33@gmail.com

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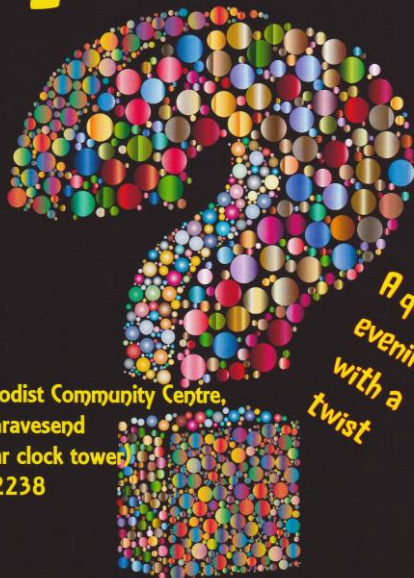
The Grand's activities are not included in this calendar of events.

Mon 29/9	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Coffee, Cake & Conversation	Foyer	1000-1200
	Sisterhood	Foyer	1415-1530
	Badminton	Wesley Hall	1930
Tue 30/9	SUN Group (Kent & Medway NHS – Service user Network)	Foyer	0930-1330
Wed 1/10	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Crafty coffee	Foyer	1000-1215
Thur 2/10	MIND Group - not meeting at present		
Fri 3/10	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Street Pastors Support & Prayer	Jubilee Room	2130-0230
Sat 4/10	'babyballet	Wesley Hall	0900 onwrd
	Foodbank	Reception	1000-1200

The Grands typical weeks events at GMCCC - the Parlour is in exclusive use as their base. * = Youth event

Mon	Grand Active	Wesley Hall	1215-1400
	GYG Committee	Parlour	1700-1900
	GYG Adults singing	Foyer	1830-2030
Tues	Elite Pathways teenage schooling	Jubilee Room	1000-1500
	Grand Active	Wesley Hall	1030-1215
	Mini GYGers*	Wesley Hall	1600-1700
	Exercise Class	Wesley Hall	1900-1945
Wed	Ready, Steady, Go	Wesley Hall	1200-1300
	Yoga	Wesley Hall	1400-1500
	GYG Performers*	Wesley Hall & Foyer	1600-2030
	GYG Creative*	Jubilee Room	1600-1800
Thur	Elite Pathways teenage schooling	Jubilee Room	1000-1500
	Grand Active & Additional Needs	Foyer	1030-1215
	Seniors Get Active	Wesley Hall	1030-1200
	Grand Active Adults	Wesley Hall	1230-1300
	GYG Dance*	Wesley Hall	1800-1915
	Exercise Class	Wesley Hall	1815-1915
Fri	English Classes	Foyer	1000-1330

Family Quiz Evening



Gravesend Methodist Community Centre,
Wilfred Street, Gravesend
DA12 2HA (near clock tower)
Charity No.1132238

A quiz evening with a twist

Sat 11 October 2025 6.30 for 6.45pm

Teams of 6 - £8 per head with Ploughmans Platter -
Bring your own nibbles and soft drinks (Sorry no alcohol)
Register your team with Robert Hardy tel 357681
Email roberthardy33@gmail.com

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Daytime Hub Foodstore

We have a **Foodstore** specifically for homeless people attending our Daytime Hub - but it is almost **EMPTY**. We need Donations of Pot Noodles, (or similar instant meals) porridge pots, long life milk, cooked meat in a tin, tuna, sardines, cans or small cartons of drinks or water, cereal bars, small packets of nuts, dried fruit or seeds, biscuits and crisps. All tins ideally with ring pulls.

Gravesham Foodbank

As October approaches we need more warming food please.

e.g tinned pies, tinned meat balls etc, tinned spaghetti, dry past or rice, long life milk, coffee, hot chocolate + deodorant.

3 Wilfred Street

This church owned 3-bedroom former caretakers' cottage has for many years been let out with the rental helping keep the church funds in the black. Some months ago, we needed to give the tenants "notice to quit" and after protracted proceedings the tenants have now left. However, it has been left partly furnished, has an infestation of bedbugs and is not now in a good decorative condition. Robert Hardy has taken charge of getting it cleared, infestation dealt with, refurbished and redecorated. This will take many months and during this time not only will we have no income from it but we have to pay council tax on it too.

So, please will you be even more generous than usual with your financial giving now that we are losing this income and having to spend money on the cottage.