

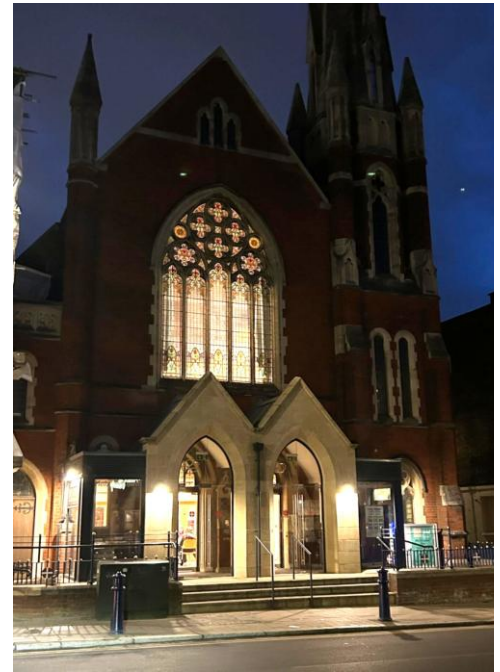
# Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre

## Weekly Newsheet

19 April 2026

*“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 19 April	Future Services
<p>19 April 10.00am Service preparation 11.00 am John Hudson-Bedows <b>EXPLORERS</b></p> <p><i>It would be appreciated if mobile phones are turned off or put in silent mode. Thank you</i> <b>Care Team</b> 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.</p>	<p>26 Apr 11.00am Sarah Smith – All Age Service</p> <p>3 May 11.00am Worship Leader led <b>EXPLORERS</b></p> <p>10 May 11.00am led by Mary Onisimo &amp; <b>EXPLORERS</b> Mary Jenner</p>

From the Church Finance Team.

As you will know, the cost of gas, electric and water keep increasing – the church is not immune from these price rises. In addition, we have some very expensive maintenance costs coming up soon, as well as a large price increase in our insurance bill.

April, being the start of a new tax year, is always a good time to review your finances, some of you have recently increased your financial giving to the church and for that we are extremely grateful, if you have not taken the opportunity to review your giving, maybe now is the time to do so.

The best way to give regularly is by standing order direct to our bank, which is how we receive the majority of our funds. Also, if you are a UK tax payer, we are able to claim gift aid on your giving – doing this enables the church to claim an extra 25% of your giving from the government, at no cost to you. This is a brilliant way of the church receiving extra income and gave the church an extra £13000.00 last year – simply by filling in a form.

If you are a tax payer, and a regular giver, you will need to register with us so we can claim Gift Aid. Please speak to Robert and get a form from him. If you would like our bank details to set up a standing order then please speak to Kate, Robert or any of the finance team. Thank you for your support.

**Changes afoot.**

**The church is suffering from water seeping into its brickwork from building works at 12-14 Milton Road. Our insurers are involved and are working with the new builders to stem the flow of water. We now have dehumidifiers working in a large cupboard that has been created behind the organ console and also in the basement to return the brickwork and plaster to normal moisture levels. We are sorry for any inconvenience.**

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

Mon 20/4	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Warm Welcome coffee	Foyer	1000-1200
	Sisterhood	Foyer	1415-1530
	Badminton	Wesley Hall	1930
Tue 21/4	<b>SUN Group (Kent &amp; Medway NHS – Service user Network)</b>	Foyer	0930-1330
Wed 22/4	Daytime Hub	Wesley Hall	1000-1200
	Warm Welcome coffee	Foyer	1000-1215
Thur 23/4			
Fri 24/4	Daytime Hub	Community Centre	1000-1200
	Street Pastors Support & Prayer	Jubilee Room	2130-0230
Sat 25/4	'babyballet	Wesley Hall	0900-1230
	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	Foyer	1700-1900
	GYG Adults singing	Foyer	1830-2030
Tues	Elite Pathways teenage schooling	Jubilee Room	1030-1500
	Grand Active	Wesley Hall	1030-1200
	Mini GYGers*	Wesley Hall	1600-1700
	Exercise Class	Wesley Hall	1900-2000
Wed	Ready, Steady, Go	Wesley Hall	1200-1300
	Yoga	Wesley Hall	1400-1500
	GYG Performers*	Wesley Hall	1600-2000
	GYG Creative*	Jubilee Room	1600-1800
Thur	Elite Pathways teenage schooling	Jubilee Room	1000-1500
	Grand Active & Additional Needs	Foyer	1030-1200
	Seniors Get Active	Wesley Hall	1030-1130
	Grand Active Additional needs	Wesley Hall	1230-1300
	Grand Active	Wesley Hall	1830-1930
Fri	English Classes	Foyer	1000-1315
	Elite Pathways teenage schooling	Jubilee Room	1000-1500

**Spring Market**  
Saturday 16 May  
10.00am - 2.00PM



**FREE ENTRY**

Gravesend Methodist Church & Community Centre  
Milton Road, Gravesend DA12 2RE  
(near clocktower)

www.gravesendmethodistchurch.org.uk Charity No. 1132238

**Gravesham Foodbank**  
This week the needs for our Saturday Foodbank are: Instant Mash, Jars of Pasta Sauce, Porridge, Fruit Squash and Bars of Soap.

Please remember in your prayers our church member Marion Foster and her family, whose youngest son, David, has recently passed away.

**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** - vacant - Eric Davis -is covering- 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  
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**Community Centre Manager** – Vicki Clarke Tel 328249  
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