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Next week	9.15 Service Warden	9.15 Prayers	9.15 Readings	10.15 Coffee	10.45 Service Warden	10.45 Prayers	10.45 Readings	Sunday Club	Screen Sound
Sun 22nd March	Joan G	Joan G	Barbie H	Lisa S	Lisa S	TBC	Sarah S	N/A	Ruth B Lewis W

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Sunday's Readings and Information

15th March 2026
Prayer
Mothering Sunday
Lent 4

9.15am Holy Communion Service at CHS

10.15am Coffee in the hall

10.45am Intergenerational Service at CHS

We warmly welcome Caroline Taylor from Happy Child to both our services.

Large print weekly sheets are available at the back of church

News, events and talks at...

www.burphamchurch.org.uk

Collect & Readings 15th March 2026

Merciful Lord, you know our struggle to serve you:
when sin spoils our lives and overshadows our hearts, come to our aid and turn us back to you again; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Luke 18:1-8 NIV - UK

18 Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up. [2] He said: 'In a certain town there was a judge who neither feared God nor cared what people thought. [3] And there was a widow in that town who kept coming to him with the plea, "Grant me justice against my adversary." [4] 'For some time he refused. But finally he said to himself, "Even though I don't fear God or care what people think, [5] yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will see that she gets justice, so that she won't eventually come and attack me!"' [6] And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. [7] And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? [8] I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?'

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV - UK

[16] Rejoice always, [17] pray continually, [18] give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

This is the word of the Lord: **Thanks be to God**

Tuesday Prayers 10 -10.30am at CHS
An opportunity to pray together.
Tea & Coffee available. All Welcome.

Change of service time

Sunday 29th March, Palm Sunday, will be a **10am joint service** with breakfast served before the service at 9.15am. There will be no 9.15 or 10.45am service.

Next Brick Church Date:
29th March 3pm at CHS.

Drop In Thursdays:
Coffee and Company,
10.30am. All Welcome!

Hear Here clinic runs 1st Thursday of the month.

Noah's Ark Toddlers
Wednesdays, 9.30 –11am at CHS
A stay and play for 0 - 5 years with their parents/ carers. A warm, welcoming, safe toddler group with refreshments.
Suggested donation £2.

*CHS - Church of the Holy Spirit

If I asked you whether you enjoyed silence and solitude, I guess I'd get a missed response. Possibly a marmite response! Some will naturally love that peace, quiet, and their own company. There will be a few who live alone and really enjoy that sense of just being them - which can be hard when family come to visit and there is so much noise about. We get used to our own domains quickly. Others may really lament being alone too long, and crave company, conversation and friendship. We may be energised by being around and in conversation with people. There will be some who absolutely hate the thought of silence. We are all different. Our journey on growing in prayer - the disciples request of Jesus: Lord, teach us how to pray - is one we need to pay great attention to. Jesus own answer in Matt 6 was to say" But when you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you." Jesus himself often sought out those alone places and times - not just being led into the desert, but retreating alone. He does this to model that same mode of prayer that we are being asked to grow into: silence and solitude. Silence, because we seek quiet places to unplug from the world, to be free from distractions, to be in a place to listen. Solitude to learn to rely on an ever present companion in Jesus as we walk with him. Learning that we are never alone, and trusting deeper in him is in part the call to our Lentern journey of walking in his ways - learning to stop what we are doing and dwell richly in what he was doing. Silence need not be awkward or something to fear, but a part of our growth into listening to what God has to say, learning that despite who we are, that we are so totally beloved of the Father. Blessings, Rev James

Join In

Journey through Lent with the Desert Mothers and Fathers.
Monday 16th March, 7.30pm at CHS
All welcome!

1st Merrow Scouts warmly invite you to their annual Community Easter Tea.
Saturday 28 March 2026, 2.30 – 4.00 p.m.
Merrow Methodist Church Hall, Bushy Hill Drive. Pick up an invitation at the back of church to RSVP.

Upcoming Services at CHS & St. Luke's

Sunday 22nd March
9.15am Communion Service
10.45am Communion service with Sunday Club

Sunday 29th March
9.15am Breakfast
10.00am Palm Sunday IG communion service
3.00pm Lego Brick Church

Maundy Thursday Meal
Immersive talk on the Passover including soup and roll supper.
All welcome.
Please sign up on the sheet.
Thursday 2nd April, 6.30pm at CHS
Followed by

Prayer Central
An opportunity to spend time and reflect at prayer stations open from **7.30 - 10.30pm Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd 7.30 - 9.30am at CHS.**