

Harrow and Hillingdon Circuit Prayer Diary



We invite all churches to use these prayers as part of their weekly intercessions, in the hope that the continued praying for churches across the Circuit will lead to closer connections and a renewed attitude to working and praying together.

September & February

Week 1 – Pinner

We pray for our minister, Revd Dr Lynita Conradie, as she takes on the extra responsibility of Superintendent. We also ask your blessing on all who worship with us and for those who attend our coffee mornings every Saturday. We pray for Jo and the helpers of Pinner Playtime, also for all those who attend. We also ask prayers for the Youth Club, for Philippa Nunn and all the helpers and the young people who attend.

Week 2 – Eastcote

Loving God,

We give thanks for our church and all its facilities, and that we are able to use technology to make our worship inclusive and accessible. We pray for our minister Lynita and for our church leadership team, that you will guide and strengthen them and the whole congregation as we seek to serve you. We give thanks for our Thursday prayer meetings. We pray that our congregation will find new ways to share worship and work together with Pinner and Cannon Lane churches. We pray all this with the knowledge that "in quietness and in trust shall be our strength." Amen

Week 3 - Cannon Lane

We pray for the congregation and those who lead worship there.

Week 4

We pray for all churches in the Circuit, that they are open to new ideas and closer working together. We ask for vision to discern our future as a Circuit, and we pray for our Superintendent Revd Dr Lynita Conradie as she guides us into new ways of working and encourages all of us to find a deeper relationship with you. We pray that as a Circuit we will be willing to open ourselves to hear and act on your Word, that in turn we will be inspired and re-energised to go and make disciples of all people, following the example of Christ who came not to be served but to serve. May we all commit ourselves to act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with our God. Amen

October & March

Week 1 – Hayes End

O heavenly Father, the same yesterday, today and forever, pour your blessing on our Church at Hayes End and all its activities and please continue to preserve our Church in truth and peace, in unity and safety.

May we grasp your majesty and be filled with your Holy Spirit so that our Church may continue to grow both numerically and spiritually and continue to preach and live the gospel of Christ in eagerness, power and love. Grant this O Lord we pray in and through the name of your Dear Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Week 2 - Hayes

We Pray for the congregation and those who lead worship there.

Week 3 – North Hillingdon

We Pray for the congregation and those who lead worship there.

Week 4

We pray for our Circuit General Manager Nicola, we give thanks for her work across the Circuit managing finances, diaries and meetings. We ask that you will continue to guide her in all she does in your name and we pray that she will feel valued and appreciated. We ask that she be held in your loving arms and filled with peace.

We pray for our Circuit Property manager Colm, for his work across the Circuit managing the manses. We pray that he will feel valued and welcome in the Circuit and that God will enfold him in his love.

We pray for David our Circuit Administrative Assistant whose diligence is very much appreciated, we pray for your guidance as he explores his future. Amen

November & April

Week 1 – Wealdstone

We pray for our new minister, Audrey; that as she joins our church family this September, she will guide us spiritually and pastorally and inspire us to new mission and work in the community. As Wealdstone goes through the changes a new minister brings, help us to find ways forward to keep our church vibrant and purposeful in showing God's love to all. We thank you for local preachers and all who take part in leading our worship and pray that others will be inspired to join them. We pray for your blessing on all who work tirelessly so that church and community activities happen each week.

Please bless our Pastoral Friends who visit the elderly and the sick. We pray that the Wesley Guild will be able to meet, giving us fellowship and friendship, and that our Bible Study group will continue to grow. We also thank God for all the people of different faiths and none who come to our church each week for Toddlers, Friendship Café and Baby Bank; they know they can find a warm welcome and feel at home in the space. We ask you to bless them too.

There are so many people to be thankful for! But more are needed, so we pray that others will come forward and volunteer to help run the church and its activities. We ask this prayer in Jesus' name as we seek to continue God's work and show his love to all the people of Wealdstone. Amen

Week 2 - Northwood

We pray for:

- · Strength to continue the growth in our mission efforts and congregation numbers.
- · Revd Audrey Browne as she settles into her ministry with us, may she continue and increase the advances we have made in worship and outreach
- \cdot Our Oasis outreach project as we pick up the lead created by Andrew.
- · All the churches in Northwood as we seek ways to come together more often

Week 3

We pray for all those involved in worship across our Circuit, for Ministers and Local Preachers, those undertaking training and those who are discerning a call to lead worship. We give thanks for worship leaders and those in our churches who take responsibility for Local Arrangements. We pray that the worship we offer is relevant, providing both challenge and comfort and we ask that through our efforts in shared worship we will build stronger relationships with neighbouring churches and broaden our horizons to new ways of working. May we open our hearts to receive the word of God and open our minds so that we can truly see your kingdom come. Amen

Week 4 - Trinity

We pray for the congregation and those who lead worship there.

December & May

Week 1 - North Harrow

We pray for the congregation and those who lead worship there.

Week 2 - South Harrow

We ask for prayers for our minister Julie and for our church stewards and council, that they may be guided by the Holy Spirit to follow where he calls and to grow and walk in faith.

We give thanks for our Monday partnership with the Harrow Lions, distributing leftover food from local businesses. We pray for the connections made with the community through this and the Christmas and Summer Fun Days, that they will flourish and that through them we will be able to witness to the love Jesus has for all.

May our church be a family of love and peace, where Jesus is centre and all are welcomed in his name.

Week 3 – Ruislip

We ask for prayers for our minister Revd Julie King and for our church leadership team that they may be guided by Gods wisdom to lead our congregation into new adventures.

We give thanks for our Wednesday fellowship group who faithfully gather to listen to each other and support local charities. We also give thanks for the fellowship of our men's supper club. We pray that our congregation will find new ways to reach out to our community to enable us to show the love of God to all.

We ask for blessings upon the members of our worship group, for those in the wider church community, including our uniformed organisations and our nursery and playgroup who meet regularly on the premises. May all those who use our premises be drawn closer into the loving arms of God. Amen.

Week 4 - Lighthouse Centre

We pray for Claire and Julie as they discern the needs of the community in South Ruislip. We ask that the Lighthouse may be a beacon of hope, a warm and welcoming space for all people. We pray that hearts and minds will be opened to the possibilities of the transforming power of a belief in God. We ask for wisdom, patience, courage and happiness to fill all activities that take place there. Amen.

January & June

Week 1 – Ruislip Manor

We ask for prayers for our Minister and those who will undertake this role over the coming year at our church, may they draw on your strength and wisdom. We ask for prayers for our Church members, so that we can continue to grow in love and unity as we explore our faith and seek to serve the Lord together. We give thanks for our leaders and volunteers, and pray that they be refreshed by the Holy Spirit and that they find the energy and strength to guide and support our members. We ask for blessings for our wider community and those who meet on our premises that they seek to develop their love and understanding of our God. Amen.

Week 2 - Yiewsley

We pray for the congregation and those who lead worship there.

Week 3 - Kenton

We pray for the congregation and those who lead worship there.

Week 4

We pray for all Ministers residing in our Circuit, those who are active in Circuit Ministry, those who work in Connexional and District roles and those who are Supernumeraries. We give thanks for the gifts they bring and for all they offer to enrich the life of our Circuit. We pray that they will feel upheld by our prayers and that each will know of your infinite love for them. Equip them with courage and patience, kindness and wisdom so that they lead your church in the way of Christ. Amen

July

Week 1

We pray for all those involved in Safeguarding across the Circuit. Those who lead training and those who attend, we give thanks for the wider methodist church who provide us with good guidance in order to ensure that all people are kept safe within and beyond our buildings. We pray for all those who have been affected by abuse within the church and continue to ask for sensitivity and understanding in all that we say and do. Amen

Week 2

We pray for all those who give up their time willingly in your service, across our circuit we remember Pastoral visitors, tea makers, welcome stewards, administrators, treasurers, all those who use their God given gifts to further the work of the kingdom. We pray that we never take people for granted, that we appreciate all they have to offer and we ask your blessing upon them now and always. Amen

Week 3

We pray for all those who provide music within our worship, those who programme the Hymn machines, those who find the You tube clips, those who play the organ, piano, guitar, drums, clarinet, flute, violin, accordion. To all those who uplift our worship in anyway we give thanks. We ask that our worship may be filled with life and love and music and ask your blessing on all those who enable this to happen, without them our worship would feel very different, and the time and dedication offered on a weekly basis often goes unnoticed, so Loving God we thank you for all those across our Circuit who enrich our worship through music. Amen

Week 4

We pray for all those across our Circuit who contribute to our weekly worship, an act of worship is a coming together of a community and therefore is not a solitary act. We give thanks to all those who play their part each week either on a Sunday or in a mid-week act of worship, those who prepare the technology, the power point slides, the microphones, those who prepare the Communion, those who wash up afterwards. We are all part of the one body and all parts are needed and valued, we pray that no one across our circuit is ever made to feel unworthy or excluded, we are all children of God, may God bless us now and always. Amen.