

# Upminster Methodist Church

5 January 2025

## Sunday 5 January

**10am** - Mr Freddie Sayer

**7pm** - Contemplative Worship on Zoom

[10am Zoom  
Link](#)

## Sunday 12 January

**10am - All Age Worship** - Mrs Joan Pugsley

**7pm** - Contemplative Worship on Zoom

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## Church Flowers



The flowers this week have been donated by Sylvia & Roy Pomphrey in celebration of their Golden Wedding Anniversary. We send our love and congratulations to them both on their special day.

## This week let us pray:

- That 2025 may be a year of renewal, joy, and abundant grace. Guide our steps and open doors of opportunity that align with Your will. We dedicate this year to You, O Lord, and place our lives in Your hands. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.
- Pray for those affected by the attack on crowds at the Christmas market in Germany before Christmas and the latest attack on crowds in New Orleans. May God's peace rest on all in this New Year.

and the modern version of Wesley covenant prayer:

- i am not my own self-made, self-reliant being. In truth, O God I am Yours. Make me into what You will. Make me a neighbour with those whom You will.



## A New Year Message from Rev Rohama



Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! As we start 2025, I want to take a moment to thank God for His goodness and faithfulness. Each new year brings fresh opportunities, reminding us that **His mercies are new every morning** (Lamentations 3:22-23). It is a time to draw closer to God and to one another.

This past year, we have so much to be grateful for. We have faced challenges and celebrated blessings, always seeking to grow in faith, love, and service. I am grateful for the ways this congregation has been a light in our community - offering a helping hand, a listening ear, and the hope of Christ to those in need. Thank you for being the hands and feet of Jesus.

As we begin this new year, I encourage you to join me in seeking God's direction for our personal lives, our families, our church family and community. Together, let us deepen our commitment to prayer, service, and the study of God's Word. May this be a year where our faith strengthens, our love expands, and our lives shine brightly as a reflection of His grace.

I also invite you and the community to participate in the exciting opportunities for worship, family and the traditional Holy Communion services, fellowship, and outreach. As we grow in faith and build stronger connections with one another let us continue sharing the love of Christ with those around us and walking boldly in the path God has set before us.

I pray that 2025 will be a year of blessings for you and your loved ones. May our church continue to be a place of hope, love, and faith, where everyone feels welcome and encouraged.

Thank you for being a part of our church family, and for your prayers, kindness, and service. I look forward to seeing all that God will do in and through us this year.



Let's trust God together for all He has planned.

With love and prayers,  
Rev Rohama Asif



## Circuit Events

These events are open to everyone

- 4th January - Circuit New Year's Social at Harold Wood at 4.30pm
- 8th January - Gidea Park Prayer & Bible Study at 11am
- 10th January - 10th for 10 Prayer meeting at 7.30pm on Zoom
- 15th January - Gidea Park Prayer & Bible Study at 11am
- 22nd January - Gidea Park Prayer & Bible Study at 11am
- 28th January - Circuit Meeting at Rainham at 7.30pm
- 29th January - Gidea Park Prayer & Bible Study at 11am

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To submit event details or news for the weekly newsletter, please send the information to [upminster.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:upminster.newsletter@gmail.com) by Friday morning. Thank you.

## Contactless Card Machine

We have a card machine set up at the back of the Church. This allows you to donate to Church funds without having to use cash.

All you need to do is select your amount, tap your card and you can Gift Aid your donation too!

The URL for the Dona website to make gifts to UMC is:

<https://donate.mydona.com/upminster-methodist-church>

The QR code to do the same is:



**Has Anyone Seen Bo Peep?  
A Family Pantomime  
By Natasha Blaauw**

Bo Peep has lost her sheep and doesn't know where to find them. Leave them alone to come home? Not her! She went on a search and now she is missing too! Boy Blue is neglecting the farm, sleeping in the haystack and Mary Contrary's garden has been ruined. The Duke of York and his men are on the case and have launched an investigation to find her, but will they ever discover where she is? What is the Pied Piper scheming to do next? Come and join us for the adventure!

Book in advance to avoid disappointment!

Times/Dates:

Thursday 30th January and Friday 31st January at 8pm

Saturday 1st February at 1pm, 3:30pm & 7pm

Tickets:

Online: £9 Adults (16+), £7 Conc and £5 Children

On door: £10 Adults (16+), £8 Conc and £6 Children

Senior Citizens FREE on Thursday and Friday Shows

Location:

Upminster Methodist Church, 10 Hall Lane, Upminster, RM14 1AE

Book in advance at [www.wesley-players.com](http://www.wesley-players.com)

Or card/cash on the door

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