



St Margaret's Church



A series in the book of Luke

Sunday 5th July 2026 The Best Seat in the House

Luke 14:1-11

9am Morning Praise

10:15 am Holy Communion

COLLECT for THIS WEEK

Almighty God,
send down upon your Church
the riches of your Spirit,
and kindle in all who minister the gospel
your countless gifts of grace;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



June 2026: Loveworks provided 199 food parcels to local people facing difficult times, feeding 382 people including 137 children*.

URGENT NOW

- Tinned fruit
- Tinned meat - ham, corned beef, hot dogs
- Tinned meals - chilli, casseroles, pies
- Tinned potatoes
- Tinned custard and rice pudding



What's On This Week ?

Tuesday 7th July

9.15am – 9:45 am Morning Prayer online and in the office

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82149080363?](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82149080363?pwd=ufDPW9FJPVbNybdQmbalJhDgbbKjL1.1)

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Meeting ID: 821 4908 0363

Passcode: 8LQ5KB

Wednesday 8th July

10:00am Holy Communion followed by refreshments in the office.

Friday 10th July

9:30am Maggie's Song in the Orchard. Singing and play for under 5s

NEW TO CHURCH LUNCH -NEW DATE Tuesday 29th September 7:30pm



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This month our Mission Partner is WOMAN OF PURPOSE: Empowering rural Communities.

This report is presented by Jane Opolot | Founder and Executive Director, Woman Of Purpose.

In gratitude to St. Margaret's Church

Introduction

For over a decade, St. Margaret's Church Chipstead has faithfully partnered with Woman of Purpose, walking alongside us and the people of Pallisa, Uganda.

This journey began in July 2009, 17 years ago when the children of the Sunday School at St. Margaret's church baked and sold cakes, donating the proceeds to Woman of Purpose. That gift provided mosquito nets and bedsheets to 50 vulnerable children, many of them orphans.

Since then, St. Margaret's has remained a pillar of support, enabling us to expand our impact in countless ways. Together, we have:

- Trained youth in vocational skills such as carpentry, tailoring, and mechanics.
- Supported the Woman of Purpose football team, fostering community and youth engagement.
- Provided poultry that was later exchanged for goats, strengthening household livelihoods.
- And most significantly, since 2021, sustained our Girl-Child Mentorship Project, a transformative initiative helping rural girls remain in school while developing leadership skills.

Girl-Child Mentorship Program Goals & Achievements

In December 2025, St. Margaret's once again blessed us with a generous gift of £1,500, which we directed toward the Girl-Child Mentorship Project.

Girls in rural Uganda face immense challenges, with poverty often forcing them out of school into early marriage. With your support, we have been able to:

- Provide scholastic materials (books, pens, pencils, mathematical sets) and essential items such as soap and reusable sanitary pads to about 50 direct beneficiaries.
- Organise at least two mentorship seminars each year, reaching over 100 girls per session.
- These gatherings normally held in August and December, feature women leaders who inspire, guide, and encourage the girls to pursue education and leadership.

The results so far have been encouraging:

- 15 girls have progressed to post-secondary education, pursuing careers in nursing, fashion design, and teaching.
- At least of the 6 girls are now self-employed, most in tailoring, demonstrating the power of skills training.
- Nearly all participants remain engaged in education or income-generating activities transforming not only their own lives but also their families and communities.

This program is living proof that education, mentorship, and opportunity can break cycles of poverty and create lasting change.

Conclusion

We at Woman of Purpose remain exceedingly grateful for your unwavering support. Your sacrifices have enabled us to reach those most in need, making our work relevant and impactful in Agule, Pallisa and beyond.

You have helped us nurture dreams, strengthen families, and empower communities.

May God richly bless you for the difference you continue to make in the lives of Uganda's children and youth.