

WEEKLY NEWS SHEET



Saturday 27th September

2-5pm. Display & Sale

with Cake & Hot drinks available

If you want to display and/or sell the produce of your amazing Talents, talk to Darren (darren@ferndown.church)

Sunday 28th September

10:30am. Harvest Service

With appeal for Operation Agri

SUNDAY SERVICE -28th SEPTEMBER 2025

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship
Sermon: Harvest of the Talents
Reading: Psalm 1:1-5 and Matthew 25:14-30

SUNDAY MORNING PRAYERS

We are gathering for prayer every Sunday morning at 10am for 15 minutes to pray for the service, the church and urgent needs. Please come along.

Following the service, there is also the opportunity to meet for prayer with members of the prayer ministry team in the Prayer room (first room on right when going in the direction of the back hall). It is a confidential and relaxed time over a cup of coffee.

SEATING ARRANGEMENTS

The two back rows on the right hand side of the church are reserved for those who are clinically vulnerable.

TESTIMONIES

We would really love to hear what God is doing in your life and prayers that are answered. If you have anything you wish to share with the congregation, please speak to Darren or Melanie before or after the service.

HARVEST OF TALENTS – SATURDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER

Just a little reminder, you still have time to bring along any craft you or your family may have done in the past, lots of headings, Cross Stitch, Crochet, Embroidery, Knitting, Paintings, Woodwork, Marquetry, or any other craft.

Also Home Baking - Cakes, Pies, Biscuits required please which will be sold in aid of Operation Agri. Looks like a good afternoon, come and have a cuppa and cake from 2pm-5pm. to view the talents and see some church memoirs.

HIGH TEA : LOW CHURCH

Please join us next **Sunday, 5th October**, at High Tea : Low Church. It's a time to enjoy each other's company around a wonderful High Tea at 4.30 p.m. which includes sandwiches, cakes and cream teas, followed by Low Church at 5.30 p.m. with some great hymns/songs and a testimony. Please don't forget to invite your family and friends.

CHURCH DIARY – WEEK COMMENCING 29.09.25.

Tuesday 30th September	7.00 pm	Mission Prayer Meeting (via zoom)
Wednesday 1st October	10.00 am	Tiddlers
Wednesday 1st October	7.30 pm	Deacons' Prayer Meeting
Thursday 2nd October	2.00 pm	Thermal Thursday
Thursday 2nd October	4.15 pm	Bright Sparks (Yrs R-4)
Thursday 2nd October	7.00 pm	Table Tennis
Friday 3rd October	10.30 am	Church Prayer Meeting
Friday 3rd October	5.30 pm	Ignite (Yrs 5-8)
Friday 3rd October	7.00 pm	Radiate (Yrs 9+)

HOLIDAY CLUB 2025

The Holiday Club this year will be held during autumn half term. (**27th to 31st October 2025.**) Please let Melanie know if you are able to help.

Empty **4 pint plastic milk containers with caps on wanted.** Please do not crush, but remove label, wash and leave in the wooden box under the table outside the Church office.

Also **wanted white or pale blue snowball size pom-poms.** Thank you.

WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE OLD TESTAMENT

Walk Through the Bible Old Testament. 22nd November - 10.00 a.m. to 4.30 p.m. This is an event to be held in our Church by an organisation called Walk Through the Bible. There will be a presenter from the organisation and a booklet for those attending. The cost is £14 per person. Booking can be made on line at [Buy Tickets - Walk Through the Bible](#) Please make sure you book the correct venue and date.

GOOD NEWS for Everyone (formerly known as Gideons UK)

An invitation, **Monday 27th October 12.30 to 2.30 pm**, to The Beacon Café, St Mary's Church.

Come and enjoy fellowship and a light lunch with ministers, other church leaders and church members from the local area. Hear about the work of Good News for Everyone in making the Word of God freely available to all, and introducing others to Jesus. See what resources we have to offer, including Bibles, Testaments and magazines. Hear about our work in schools, care homes, hospitals, hotels, prisons, sports clubs...

Please confirm if you wish to attend by email: john.milman@talk21.com or phone 07960 195202

PRAYER REQUESTS

Pray for those unable to attend Church due to age/health. Please also pray for those caring for them. Pray for those you know waiting for hospital appointments/procedures.

PRAYERS FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

Lord God, we ask You to protect Your Church worldwide from acts of terrorism, whether deliberately targeted or caught in conflicts not its own. We pray that security services will receive insight and knowledge to prevent such incidents. Please comfort those who have been bereaved or injured in terrorist attacks and give Christian communities around the world the grace to continue to love even the perpetrators. Instil in Your people a trust in You whenever they are afraid, because we trust in the One who has overcome the world, the Lord Jesus Christ, in whose Name we pray. (Psalm 56:3; John 16:33)

INFORMATION FOR CHURCH MEMBERS

Christian Missionaries and Charities. Members may nominate one Missionary or Christian Charity for financial support in 2026. Nominations, with about 50 words saying something about the person/organisation, should be sent to angelacjameson@aol.com by 31st October. Members will be able to vote at the next Church meeting for the 6 Missionaries/Christian Charities to be financially supported in 2026.

As part of the 100 year celebration, there will be a **Gala Meal** with entertainment from a **comedian**, Andy Kind, on **Saturday, 29th November 5.30 for 6.00p.m.** Tickets costing £20 each will be available to Church members on Sunday 28th September before open sale. Melanie will be selling the tickets that can be paid for in instalments.

LINK TO HOPE – SHOEBOX APPEAL 2025

This year we are again supporting the Link to Hope shoebox appeal. It might seem a long way from our Shoebox Sunday (16th November) but we are collecting items for the shoeboxes, which can be made up just before Shoebox Sunday. The type of item required for the shoeboxes can be found on the Link to Hope website. Shoebox items can be brought to Church and added to the stash. (See Melanie).

PASTORAL CARE TEAM

If anyone is interested in being part of the Pastoral Care Team, please speak to Janet, Jill, Melanie or Darren. This would involve either visiting/phoning those who are sick, isolated or unable to get to Church any longer. We can then work together as a team so that no one gets left out.

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Items for the Weekly News Sheet should be sent to Angela Jameson via email angelacjameson@aol.com **no later than Thursday midday.**

GIVING

If you are considering giving a donation to the Church, below are the Church bank details:

Account Name: United Church Ferndown

Sort Code: 40-52-40 **Account Number:** 00010899 CAF Bank Ltd

Cheques should be made payable to United Church Ferndown.

During the Sunday service, we will be taking up an offering, cash and cheques can be placed in the offering bag as it is passed around. If you are able to gift aid your giving please contact Angela Jameson on 07754 534533 or via email treasurer@ferndown.church

Ministers: Rev. Darren Pike & Rev. Melanie Pike (Day Off: Monday)

Darren's mobile: 07815 751803 / **Melanie's mobile:** 07977 912749

email: darren@ferndown.church or melanie@ferndown.church

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