

WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

SUNDAY SERVICE - 19th OCTOBER 2025

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship

Theme: Carry Each Other: Pastoral Care in the Body

Reading: Galatians 6:1–10

3.30 p.m. Messy Church Theme: Aim for the Summit

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.

MESSY CHURCH

This Sunday (19th October) will be Messy Church. If you are able to come down and give a hand by manning a table or chatting to families who attend, we would really appreciate it! Please get to Church by 3pm to give yourself time to familiarise yourself with what you will be doing and so that we can make sure we are ready to start at 3.30 pm. Thank you.

CHURCH DIARY – WEEK COMMENCING 20.10.25.

Wednesday 22 nd October	10.00 am	Tiddlers
Thursday 23 rd October	12.30 pm	Lunch Club
Thursday 23 rd October	2.00 pm	Thermal Thursday
Thursday 23 rd October	4.15 pm	Bright Sparks (Yrs R-4)
Thursday 23 rd October	7.00 pm	Table Tennis
Friday 24th October	5.30 pm	Ignite (Yrs 5-8)
Friday 24 th 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.

Holiday Club meeting for all helpers on Sunday 26th October at 3.00 p.m.

Also, if you can help with setting up during w/c 20th October, please speak to Melanie.

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 www.Bible.org.uk Please make sure you book the correct venue and date.

CHURCH MEMBERS' MEETING

The next Church Members' meeting will be on **Sunday 23rd November 2025 at 1.00 p.m.** There will be a 'bring and share' lunch following the morning service and prior to the meeting.

Any other business to be raised at the CMM should be directed to either Minister by 9th November at the latest.

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.

100 YEAR CELEBRATION – GALA MEAL

As part of the 100 year celebration, there will be a **Gala Meal** with entertainment from a **comedian**, Andy Kind, on **Saturday**, **29**th **November 5.30 for 6.00p.m**. Tickets cost £20 each. Melanie will be selling the tickets that can be paid for in instalments.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayers please for Jenny and her team who are taking a service at Fernhill Nursing Home on Friday 24th October.

Please pray for our mission contact in Thailand, Laura Weeds, as the church plan ahead for Christmas, including taking the gospel into 6 village schools where they have yet to hear about Jesus.

Please pray for those who are waiting to have operations, that they would have peace and the strength to manage in the meantime.

Please pray for our deacons, that God would guide them and encourage them.

PRAYERS FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

Almighty God, we bring before You those of Your children suffering amid humanitarian disasters, whether caused by extreme weather events or human conflict. We ask You to direct essential aid to those in need and provide places of safety for the displaced. We pray that Your presence will be felt by those in trouble and that You will reveal Yourself as their refuge and strength so that fear will be driven away. We thank You that we can have confidence that You understand our distress, as You took on the ugliness of suffering and defeated it on the cross through our Lord Jesus, in whose Name we pray. (Psalm 46:1-2)

BIRTHDAYS

25th October Kerry Porter

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 (16**th **November)** but we are collecting shoeboxes and items for the shoeboxes. 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).

Help make up the shoeboxes on Saturday 8th November from 10.00 a.m.

We have lots of beautifully Knitted Hot Water Bottle covers, and no Hot Water Bottles to go in them. Can you help please? They will be needed very soon as they are to go in the Elderly Peoples Shoe Boxes for Christmas. Thanks Jill

WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

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

Church Office: Tel: 01202 871440 answer phone only email: admin@ferndown.church

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