



WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

SUNDAY SERVICES – 2nd NOVEMBER 2025

10.30 a.m. All-Age Service
Theme: Never too unlikely
Reading: Acts 16:11-15

4.30 p.m. High Tea
5.30 p.m. Low Church

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.

HIGH TEA : LOW CHURCH

Please join us this **Sunday, 2nd November**, 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 03.11.25.

Wednesday 5 th November	10.00 am	Tiddlers
Wednesday 5 th November	7.30 pm	Deacons' Prayer Meeting
Thursday 6 th November	12.30 pm	Lunch Club
Thursday 6 th November	2.00 pm	Thermal Thursday
Thursday 6 th November	4.15 pm	Bright Sparks (Yrs R-4)
Thursday 6 th November	7.00 pm	Table Tennis
Friday 7 th November	10.30 am	Church Prayer Meeting
Friday 7 th November	5.30 pm	Ignite (Yrs 5-8)
Friday 7 th November	7.00 pm	Radiate (Yrs 9+)
Saturday 8 th November	10.00 am	Shoebox Packing

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.

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, 29th November 5.30 for 6.00p.m.** Tickets cost £20 each.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for all the families represented at the holiday club, that they may be touched by the love and witness of all they experienced during this week.

Please pray for the people of Jamaica, Haiti and Cuba in the aftermath of the hurricane.

Please continue to pray for the families of Jeanie and Les.

Please pray for those who live alone and struggle with loneliness as the days grow shorter.

PRAYERS FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

A group of Christians in the Kandy District of Central Province, Sri Lanka, were prevented from holding a Sunday morning service by a group of Buddhist monks. The believers were holding their meeting at the home of their pastor, but the monks surrounded the house and demanded that the church cease its activities. Later that day, as the pastor and other church leaders tried to meet, another group of monks tried to surround the house. Police intervened to prevent violence but held the church leaders responsible for escalating the situation. A Barnabas Aid contact in Sri Lanka asks, "Please pray for divine protection, spiritual strength, and unwavering faith during this time of persecution."

BIRTHDAYS

2 nd November	Robert Lamb
4 th November	Arthur Ansell

LINK TO HOPE – SHOEBOX APPEAL 2025

This year we are again supporting the Link to Hope shoebox appeal. It will soon be our **Shoebox Sunday (16th November)**, 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).

Each shoebox costs £3 to send. If you want to donate towards the cost of sending the shoeboxes – please put your donation in an envelope marked shoeboxes and put in the offering bag on Sunday.

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

DO YOU REQUIRE ANY HELP AROUND THE HOUSE?

After recently leaving my job, I now have some time available to offer help with household cleaning, running errands, providing transport to appointments, or simply lending a hand around the home. This would be paid work and separate from church activities, but I'm very happy to chat about how I might be able to help you or anyone you know who could use a bit of extra help. Please feel free to see me for a friendly chat if you're interested.

Natalie

LIBRARY

Please take a look at the small library in room 2 (lounge). The library has recently been tidied up and there are good Christian books available for anyone to borrow.

WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

Items for the Weekly News Sheet should be sent to Angela Jameson via email angelajameson@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)

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