

WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

CELEBRATING 100 YEARS

SUNDAY SERVICE – 30th NOVEMBER 2025 – ADVENT 1

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship

Theme: 1. Party Time 2. Christ the Foundation 3. Stones that tell a story

Readings: 1 Corinthians 3:5-15 & Joshua 4:1-9,19-24

6.00p.m. Coffee Heaven

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.

COFFEE HEAVEN

This **Sunday 30th November at 6:00pm** we have Coffee Heaven - a Cafe Style service which means drinks and pastries, chats and a chance to ask questions about life, God and anything on your mind.

CHURCH DIARY – WEEK COMMENCING 01.12.25.

Wednesday 3 rd December	10.00 am	Tiddlers
Wednesday 3 rd December	7.30 pm	Deacons' Prayer Meeting
Thursday 4th December	12.30 pm	Lunch Club
Thursday 4 th December	2.00 pm	Thermal Thursday
Thursday 4 th December	4.15 pm	Bright Sparks (Yrs R-4)
Thursday 4 th December	7.00 pm	Table Tennis
Friday 5 th December	10.30 am	Church Prayer Meeting
Friday 5 th December	5.30 pm	Ignite (Yrs 5-8)
Friday 5 th December	7.00 pm	Radiate (Yrs 9+)

HIGH TEA: LOW CHURCH

Please join us next **Sunday**, **7**th **December**, 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.

N.B. The next High Tea: Low Church will be on Saturday 3rd January 2026 when we will hear from the Mahon family who are missionaries with BMS in Peru.

MISSION & CHARITABLE GIVING

As a result of the voting at the Church members' meeting we will be supporting the following missions/charities in 2026. Arab World Ministries, BMS – Mahon family, Harrod family – OM, Hope Now, Routes to Roots, Tools with a Mission.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray that the 100 year celebrations go really well this weekend and enable us to truly appreciate the work of our church and God's provision and blessing during that time.

Please give thanks for all those involved in the arrangements for the above and pray that they may be mightily blessed for all they have done for us.

Please pray that as we enter the Advent period we may experience the true meaning of the season and that we may impart this to others.

Please pray for Julie, awaiting an X-ray to see whether she has broken the scaphoid bone in her wrist.

PRAYERS FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

The Maldives claims to have a 100% Muslim population. The constitution states that "a non-Muslim may not become a citizen of the Maldives". Because of this, Maldivian Christians are predominantly secret believers. If discovered, they may be stripped of their citizenship. All non-Muslim worship is forbidden, and owning a Bible is punishable by death. Apostasy is a criminal offence, and any criticism of Islam is illegal. Parliament is constitutionally banned from passing laws contrary to Islam, and foreign Christians are forbidden from sharing their faith with Maldivians. Pray for the secret believers of the Maldives. Ask the Lord to preserve their faith amidst many trials and strengthen them through the Holy Spirit even in their isolation from their brothers and sisters in Christ.

BIRTHDAYS

30th November Steve Ford 2nd December Mary White

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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

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