



WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

SUNDAY SERVICE LENT 3 – 8th March 2026

10.30 am Morning Worship
Theme: The Lamb who knows Your Name
Reading: John 10:11-18

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.

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 Melanie before or after the service.

CHURCH DIARY – WEEK COMMENCING 09.03.26.

Wednesday 11th March	10.00 am	Tiddlers
Thursday 12th March	2.00 pm	Thermal Thursday
Thursday 12th March	4.15 pm	Bright Sparks (Yrs R-4)
Thursday 12th March	7.00 pm	Table Tennis
Friday 13th March	5.30 pm	Ignite (Yrs 5-8)
Friday 13th March	7.00 pm	Radiate (Yrs 9+)

MESSY CHURCH

Next Sunday (15th March) 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 AGM & CHURCH MEMBERS' MEETING

The next Church members' meeting and Church AGM will be on **Sunday 22nd March 2026** at 1.00 p.m. There will be a bring and share lunch following the morning service on that Sunday and prior to the meetings.

Any other business to be raised at the AGM or CMM should be directed to Melanie by 8th March at the latest.

Please prayerfully consider the **election of Deacons** that will take place at the **Church AGM** on **Sunday, 22nd March 2026**. There will be three Deacons' vacancies and **nominations close on 8th March 2026**. Natalie will have completed her first term as Deacon and can be nominated for a second term. Nomination forms are available on the table at the back of the Church.

PRAYERS FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

Lord God and Heavenly Father, we pray today for our sisters in Christ in places where women are at particular risk of persecution and violence. Please provide for those denied opportunities for education and literacy. Meet the needs of those, especially widows, who endure acute poverty. Be with those who have been abducted, forced to marry, forced into joining another religion. Protect those at risk of sexual violence. May Your light shine in the darkness, may their faith endure, and may they continue to proclaim the Good News, for we ask it in our Saviour's Name. (Psalm 68:11)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the following:

Gwen as she continues her recovery in Alderney Hospital.

Sara M as she manages her MS.

Melanie, that she would return back to us with full strength and enthusiasm!

Darren, as he continues his sabbatical.

Hope Now as they support those left homeless after the war in the Ukraine and for those at Head Office in Cherkasy. Please pick up the March magazine for the latest news.

The dreadful situation in the Middle East.

WALK THROUGH THE BIBLE NEW TESTAMENT

We held Walk Through the Bible Old Testament last November at UCF. Those who attended were keen that we should also hold Walk through the Bible New Testament this year. The charge to attend has gone up to £16 a person and if the Church does not have a minimum number attending there will be further charges for the Church to pay. If you are interested in attending, Walk through the Bible New Testament, could you please sign up on the sheet at the back of the Church so we can see if we can reach the minimum numbers required to run the event. We realise that although some of you might sign up, the available dates to run the event might clash with other engagements.

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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)

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

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