



WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

SUNDAY SERVICE – 13th SEPTEMBER 2026

10.30 am Morning Worship
Theme Persistent Prayer
Reading Luke 18:1–8

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 Darren or Melanie before or after the service.

CHURCH MEMBERS' MEETING

The Church members' meeting will be this **Sunday 13th September at 1.00 pm**. There will be a bring and share lunch following the morning service and prior to the meeting.

If you are unable to attend the meeting, please give your apologies to Darren prior to the meeting.

CHURCH DIARY – WEEK COMMENCING 14.09.26.

Wednesday 16th September	9.45 am	Tiddlers
Wednesday 16th September	7.30 pm	Deacons' Admin Meeting
Thursday 17th September	2.00 pm	Thermal Thursday
Thursday 17th September	4.15 pm	Bright Sparks (Yrs R-4)
Thursday 17th September	7.00 pm	Table Tennis
Friday 18th September	5.30 pm	Ignite (Yrs 5-8)
Friday 18th September	7.00 pm	Radiate (Yrs 9+)

MESSY CHURCH

Next Sunday (**20th September**) 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.



TOGETHER | BELONG | SERVE | SHARE

Harvest

Sharing God's goodness with a world in need

"They are to do good, to be rich in good works, to be generous and willing to share."
1 Timothy 6:18 (NIV)



CHRISTIAN CARE FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE

Harvest Service

Sunday
20th September
2026
10:30am

Join us for a celebration of God's goodness, as we give thanks and support those in need through Link to Hope.

Items for EVERY shoebox

(please include all of these)

☐ Gloves or Scarf or Hat (new or knitted)	☐ Toothbrushes & Toothpaste
☐ Sweets or Chocolates (BB June 2026 EU Origin)	☐ Candles & Holders* or Tealights
☐ Soap & Flannel	☐ Small Games (Travel Size Draughts/Dominoes/Playing Cards)

*Holder is for safety and stability

Family Shoebox

(please tick)

☐ Colouring Pads (A5)
☐ Crayons/Pencils (with rubber & sharpener)
☐ Small Toys (yo-yo, skipping rope, toy cars)
☐ Soft Toy Teddy (with CE labels)
☐ Tape Measure/DIY Tool
☐ Sewing Kit
☐ Shampoo (max 400ml)
☐ Solar-Powered Calculator
☐ Safety Razors
☐ Hairbrush/Comb
☐ Other Gifts

Elderly Shoebox

(unisex)

☐ Reading Glasses/Magnifier (Max + 2 strength)
☐ Mug/Wooden Spoon/Cutlery
☐ Sensory Item (eg Bean Bag, Lavender Bag, Stress Ball etc)
☐ Hot Water Bottle
☐ Work Gloves
☐ Pen and Paper
☐ Socks/Tights (NEW)
☐ Wind-Up Radio/Torch
☐ Shampoo (max 400ml)
☐ Scissors/Nail Clippers
☐ Safety Razors
☐ Other Gifts

We want everyone to receive a fun and useful box of new and unused gifts, so please bring some of these items as a harvest offering to the service.

We will be taking an offering to support the shoebox appeal. Donations help cover transport costs and enable more shoeboxes to reach those in need.

Small boxes. Big hope.

HOPE CHANGES LIVES

A Harvest of hope with Link to Hope

www.ferndown.church

CHRISTIANITY EXPLORED

A six week course starting at UCF on **Tuesday, 22nd September at 7.00 pm**. Further information available from Darren or Melanie.

PRAYERS FOR THE PERSECUTED CHURCH

Lord God, we give You thanks because You are good and Your love endures for ever. Thank You for Your ongoing, steady, merciful and forgiving love that cannot fail, throughout all generations. We praise You that we can depend on You as our strength and our defence, our song even in the midst of trials. We ask You to manifest Your power and love to encourage those oppressed by persecution, poverty and suffering across the nations so that they will grow strong in faith in following the Lord Jesus, for we ask in His most holy Name. (Exodus 15:2; Psalm 118:1)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please can we pray for the following:

Gwen, as she copes with being totally reliant on others at home.

Jackie's son, Sam as he struggles with the loss of a friend.

John F. and his daughter Claire, as they cope with John's ongoing health issues.

Those in our church family who are lonely.

The Church Members Meeting on 13th September.

The Christianity Explored course starting soon.

The preparations for the Holiday Club.

Can we please praise God for the Global Week of Prayer and pray that the church throughout the nations will be more powerful and effective.

HOLIDAY CLUB 2026

The Holiday Club this year will be held during the autumn half term. (**26th to 30th October 2026**). If you are able to help, please fill in the sign-up form.

ROUTES TO ROOTS

Tracy Hayman, from Routes to Roots, will be giving a brief talk on 27th Sept during the morning service. The last day for collecting coats will be Sunday 27th September.

BIRTHDAYS

15 th September	Roland Sidaway
15 th September	Natalie Butler

WEEKLY NEWS SHEET

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

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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