



Ferring Baptist Church

Fellowship News – 8 to 15 September 2024

Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations

Psalm 46:10



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Church Activities 8 to 15 September - all held at the Church unless otherwise stated:

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| Sunday 8 10:30 am Afterwards | Morning Worship* Refreshments and Fellowship Time | Rev Robin Brenchley |
| Tuesday 10 14:30 | Conversational Bible Study -starting to look at Philippians | Philip Tout |
| Wednesday 11 14:30 | Prayer Meeting | Everyone welcome |
| Friday 13 17:30 | Youth Group | Lyn Jenkins, Karen Parsons |
| Saturday 14 09:30 – 11:30 | Deacons Meeting | Leadership Team |
| Sunday 15 10:30 Afterwards | Morning Worship * Harvest Service Refreshments and Fellowship Time | Rev Robin Brenchley |
| 18:30 | Evening Holy Communion | Rev Robin Brenchley |
| Tuesday 17 14:30 | Afternoon Home Group Ferring Baptist Church | Leader: Deanna Clark |
| 19:15 start | Evening Home Group 7 Glen Gardens | Leader: Marion Brenchley Host: Lyn Jenkins |
| Wednesday 18 14:30 | Prayer Meeting | Everyone welcome |
| Thursday 19 19:15 | Church meeting | Church members |
| Friday 20 12:45 | Lunch with Judy and Peter Cook Followed by an update from Judy on her work in Thailand and Hope Home. | Please put your name down on the list in the Church entrance if you will be joining us. It will be a bring and share lunch. |
| 17:30 – 19:00 | Youth Group | Lyn Jenkins, Karen Parsons |
| Saturday 21 9.00 | Men's Breakfast at the Henty Arms | Gordon Rickwood |
| Sunday 22 10:30 Afterwards | Morning Worship* Refreshments and Fellowship Time | Rev Robin Brenchley |
| Tuesday 24 14:30 | Conversational Bible Study - Philippians | Philip Tout |
| Wednesday 25 14:30 | Prayer Meeting | Everyone welcome |
| Thursday 26 14:00 | Dabblers | Pauline Parkinson and Julie Appleton |
| Friday 27 17:30 pm | Youth Group | Lyn Jenkins, Karen Parsons |

Sunday 29

10:30

Afterwards

Morning Worship*

Refreshments and Fellowship Time

Rev Robin Brenchley

**Young persons' activities are available - please ask for details on arrival. All leaders are DBS cleared in accordance with our Safeguarding Policy*

Notices:

- We are continuing to collect donations for the Worthing Soup Kitchen. Demand is still high. The collection point is in the Church entrance. Thank you for all your kind and generous donations - they are greatly appreciated.
- **Harvest Service** – this year all food donated will go to the Worthing Soup Kitchen – please see page 6 for further details.

Sunday Young Explorers

Following the successful Young People's BBQ, Holiday Club and Youth Club, we have families who have said that they would like to come to some Sunday services. The plan is that on the 3rd Sunday of the month (starting on 20th October), we will be having services suitable for families and these will include a Sunday Young Explorer's group where the young will explore the Christian faith in the Church Hall. The Holiday Club team will be involved but we are keen to also have other people join us.

We are also reviewing what is provided to young people on Sundays more generally. This will replace the current rota system. The teaching will be fun and more consistent with a theme spread over one or more weeks.

If you feel that God is calling you to help with this Ministry then please speak/contact Karen Parsons.

Judy Cook – Visit to Ferring Baptist Church – 20 September 2024

For many years, Judy Cook has been the person who Ferring Baptist Church has supported. Judy has been serving in Thailand with BMS World Mission since 1999 in several contexts and with different groups of people.

Judy is joining us for lunch on 20 September and will give an update on her work. Please put your name down on the list up on the Church noticeboard if you would like to join us for lunch.

Thought for this week:

Within you there is a stillness and sanctuary to which you can retreat at any time and be yourself.

Hermann Hesse

Thank you:

Dear Friends at Ferring Baptist Church. Sincere thanks for all your greetings, cards, prayers and good wishes, and the beautiful bouquet given to us last Sunday for our Diamond Wedding Anniversary. Our thanks also to Lyn for the wonderful cake shared after the Service.

The Lord bless you all. Philip and Mary.

Message from Jürg: Thank you for all your prayers and kind messages during and after my (thankfully short) time in hospital. The problem seems settled, but there will be further investigation sometime later. Thanks to the Lord — and His blessing to you!

Baptist Union Prayer Diary – 8 September 2024

A prayer for Education Sunday: Loving God, As we celebrate the gift of education, we remember those who find it difficult to learn. We bring to you children and young people in places where education is disrupted because of war and conflict. We pray for those who are excluded from education because they can't afford it, or because of their gender. Help us to put our faith into action and to work for peace and equality in your world. Amen.

www.cte.org.uk/educationsunday2024

Prayer Pointers:

- We pray for all those in need in our world especially those caught up in war, conflict, living in captivity, persecution and those living in poverty. We pray for an end to these situations and may those affected come to know you, your love, peace and grace;
- We pray for the Princess of Wales and King Charles as they have further treatment to restore their health;
- We pray for our government as they start a busy Autumn programme of work:
- We pray for the builders as they investigate and resolve the issue with the Church roof:
- We pray that everything will go smoothly with the installation of the new boiler, radiators and water heater;
- We thank you for our growing congregation and we pray that you will cast your protection around all Church members and attendees;
- Loving Saviour we bring to you our whole Church family asking for your peace, your grace, your healing and encouragement;
- We especially pray for comfort and healing for:
 - Mary Brenchley that she settles and is comfortable
 - William Cobby (a member of our Youth Group)

- Norma Drew
 - Chris and Wendy Fogg
 - Trevor Jones
 - Jurg Klemenz
 - Tony Hayes
 - Lucia and Colin Knaggs
 - Sally Gilbert
 - Pat May (Pauline's sister)
 - Sylvia and Brian Mephram
 - Karen Parsons and her mum Betty
 - Janet Stuart (Simon's mum)
 - Kelly and Simon Stuart
 - Cliff and Maureen Warden
 - Our lovely cleaner Chris who is recovering from hip surgery, we also pray for Julie who will be carrying on their work on her own while Chris recovers
 - We pray for Richard and Michelle Jones that they will soon be living in Cornwall and starting their new Season together. We also pray for Michelle as she starts her new role.
 - We ask you to be with all BMS Missionaries
 - We pray for Judy Cook who is now on Home assignment
 - We pray for the continuing safety for Jaco and Corrina Loenen (with Pioneer and MAF) in Australia
 - We pray that our Church will be successful in our assistance to Worthing Soup Kitchen food parcels/community pantry
 - We pray for all the children in the village and known more widely who are starting a new School year
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- We pray for the Friday Evening Youth Group that our numbers continue, that we provide a safe area for them to have a fun time together and that they start to know you, continue to ask questions about you and that we provide the answers that they are searching for.



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Harvest Service – 15 September 2024

This year, the food donations will go to the Worthing Soup Kitchen to be used for those in need in our neighbouring areas.

Demand is very high now and suggested items are:

- Root vegetables – potatoes, carrots etc;
- Jams and spreads etc for sandwiches;
- Tins of Ham, Tuna, Spam etc;
- Tinned Meals such as Spaghetti Bolognese, Meatballs, Pies;
- Jars of Sauce;
- Pasta;
- Rice;
- Tea;
- Coffee;
- Sugar;
- Squash;
- Long Life Milk;
- Cereals;
- Biscuits;
- Snacks;
- Boxes of washing powder (they divide the box up);
- Toiletries.

Many thanks for your help with this.



God of Seasons:

God of heaven and earth, light and dark, spring-time and harvest, we rejoice in the goodness of your creation and our place within it.

For the passing of seasons and the rhythms of our lives, we thank you.

But we pray for all those who suffer when your created order is distorted.

For those whose working week makes them well-paid slaves

and

For those who do not receive daily bread,

For those whose comfortable, central heated, double-glazed life prevents them from seeing the world as it is,

and

For those who know nothing but hunger or war or unhappiness.

For those who see their oil-fuelled luxuries as God-given.

and

For those who lose their homes because of the horrors of climate chaos.

Restore to them all the life intended for each of your children.

Awaken within us all a true knowledge of our place in your universe.

May your church truly become your body here on earth, and may you be at work in our midst, reconciling the world to yourself.

God of heaven and earth, bring your kingdom into our world, that we might see the signs of a new heaven and a new earth breaking into our world here and now.

{Taken from the Baptist Union}

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Note from Karen (Editor):

Editing the Fellowship News is a privilege and one which to truly reflect our fellowship will benefit from your contributions and dates for the diary etc so please send to Karen1.parsons@uwclub.net by Wednesday each week.