

Hornsea United Reformed Church



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March 2019

SUNDAY 10.30 Morning Worship with Junior Church
for children of all ages, and crèche.
Coffee etc. served at close of Worship.
Communion: 2nd Sunday at 10.30 am.

6.30 Evening Worship
1st Sunday at Methodist Church
3rd Sunday evening in our Church
(includes Communion)

Tuesday: 9.15 to 11.30 'Open House' (in term-time)
7.00 p.m. Faith and Fellowship

Thursday: 10.00 a.m. to noon Coffee Morning

Friday 6.00 p.m. to 7.30 p.m. Pilots (in term-time)

From Church Records

FUNERAL

25th February: Mrs Claire Sims

Hornsea URC - Worship plan – the “I Am” teachings of Jesus

3 March – Preparing for Lent

10 March – I Am – the True Vine

17 March – I Am – the Way, the Truth and the Life

24 March – I Am – the Good Shepherd

31st March - I Am – the Door

Lectionary

3 March: Exodus 34.29-35; 2 Corinthians 3.12-4.2; Luke 9.28-36

10 March: Deuteronomy 26.1-11; Romans 10.8b-13; Luke 4.1-13

17 March: Genesis 15.1-12,17-18; Philippians 3.17-4.1; Luke
13.31-35

24 March: Isaiah 55.1-9; 1 Corinthians 10.1-13; Luke 13.1-9

31 March: Joshua 5.9-12; 2 Corinthians 5.16-21; Luke 15.1-3,
11b-32

Dear Friends'

At our Elders' Meeting in January I talked about a radio programme that I had listened to about New Year Resolutions and it really set me thinking.

OK, we can make changes to our diet, exercise more etc but do we really need to change ourselves!!!!.

We are all individuals, the good Lord made us all different, no one is the same (thank goodness).

We as Elders have different strengths, thoughts and ideas but we are a TEAM. We pull together to support each other and our church family.

You, our church family, are very important to us. You all also have different strengths, thoughts and ideas which we encourage you to share with us.

Please share them with us.

We as a church have achieved a lot over the past year or two.

God willing this will continue.

The disciples were a team who had a leader, we have the same leader who I am sure will continue to help and guide us on our journey.

Ann Jordan

News from the FRSC

Our first winter lunch raised £96.30 and those attending enjoyed the home-made soup and for the first time a hot dessert. A second Winter Lunch will be served on Saturday 2 March from 12 noon to 1.30pm - same again hot home-made soup and a roll for £3.00 plus a little extra for a hot dessert - you must admit it is the best value in town!

The First Aid Centre was extremely grateful for the Carol Singing donation of £180.00. A photograph was taken when we presented the cheque which appears on a church website.

Due to us being small in number the fundraising team have decided to concentrate on major events only and so we invite the church membership to hold coffee mornings, afternoon teas events or household sales which will involve your friends and neighbours to help us keep the lights and heating on which all helps to make our church a warm and welcoming place to visit. If you need any help or advice please do not hesitate to ask any of the team, Ann, Heather, June and Val.

Saturday 27 April is our Table Top Sale 10.00am - 2.00pm with table hire still at £6.00. Refreshments and light lunches will be served and donations of sandwich fillings and cakes will gratefully received. Helpers are always needed to serve food and drinks to all who enter through our doors. Book your table and avoid disappointment.

Advance Notice:- Saturday 25 May Gardner's Fair 10.00am - 2.00pm. Time to prepare those seeds and cuttings!

June Barton

Stop press.....

**World Day of Prayer – Friday 1st March @ 2.00pm in the
Parish Church**

Friendship Hour 2019

Following our Annual Lunch last month at Swiss Cottage, we welcome everyone to join us on Wednesday 6 March at 2 pm when we start our year-long programme with a Fairtrade Cookery afternoon, led by Jean Barrett . Jean's reputation goes before her, and we are promised simple, mouth-watering treats.

Our next fortnightly meeting is on 20 March, when Imogen will join us for a time of hairdressing! As yet we know little more about what will happen. Come along and see!

Programmes for the year are available from Jean Robinson or Carol Rutherford, and there is a charge of £2 per session to cover expenses (including a cuppa!)

Hornsea Music Society

Saturday 23rd March

Jay Taylor
'multi instrumentalist'

Live Music in Hornsea URC, the home of Hornsea Music Society

The Bible Course

Following on from Church Meetings and discussions we are excited to be launching **The Bible Course** for all who would like to find out more about the Bible and see where the snippets that we know fit into the big picture of God Kingdom.

Discussions, so far, show Monday afternoons at 2.00pm and Tuesday evenings at 7.00pm to be the most popular times to hold sessions - hopefully one other time will be identified at the AGM - enabling as many people who want to take part to do so.

The course will start the week beginning the 4th March.

It is an eight week course accessible for those without any prior knowledge of the bible through to those who have been journeying for many years.

The course consists of teaching materials, discussion time and reflection and each session will take between an hour to an hour and a half.

Each person taking part will receive a course handbook which they can use in their own time to support and enhance each session.

If you would like to find out more just visit :-

<https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/explore-the-bible/the-bible-course/>

or have a chat with an Elder.



Fairtrade Fortnight continues through to the 10th March

For two weeks each year, thousands of individuals, companies and groups across the UK come together to celebrate the people who grow our food, people who live in some of the poorest countries in the world and who are often exploited and badly paid. This year we are focusing on the people – in particular the women – who grow the cocoa in the chocolate we love so much.

£1.82 is the amount a cocoa farmer in West Africa needs to earn each day in order to achieve a living income. Currently, a typical cocoa farmer in Cote d'Ivoire lives on less than 73p a day. Almost all cocoa farmers in West Africa live in poverty, despite some chocolate companies making massive profits.

For the women the situation is even worse. They may plant and harvest on the farm, look after children, carry water, collect wood, cook and clean for the family, and transport the cocoa beans to market but they are likely to see even less money for their work.

This is why we at Fairtrade are campaigning for a living income to become a reality for cocoa farmers in West Africa. If we can work together with governments, chocolate companies and retailers to make the commitments and policies necessary, then we can make it happen.

As I previous years the businesses in Hornsea are supporting the fortnight by window displays and posters as well as selling and serving fairly traded products.

We can all be a part of this event by swapping our usual purchases for fairly traded ones - if you are in the Coop, look out for the Fairtrade table and you could be in for a 'fair-bake' treat (free giveaways on random days) or come along to the

Pancake morning at the Parish Hall on the 5th March

Fair-bakes Stall or

Thursday 7th - URC Coffee Morning will be serving Hot Chocolate

Welcome guests

Due to the prospective development of the Parish Hall we have the pleasure of welcoming two community groups to our church for their fundraising events this month.

On the 9th March the **Cottage Hospital League of Friends** will be hosting a Coffee Morning between 10.00 and 12.00

On Saturday 16th March **Hornsea WI** will also be hosting a Coffee Morning between 10.00 and 12.00

Please come along and make them feel welcome



Tuesday 5th March

Hornsea Parish Hall

10.00 - 12.00

Famously good pancakes -
lovingly prepared for you.



Traidcraft

As you know Traidcraft has gone through traumatic times over the past few months and it is with hope that I share Robin Roth's (Traidcraft's CEO) Bulletin article with you.

Hard Times

The last few months have been some of the hardest in our history. Facing up to the fact that the old way of working was going to bankrupt us was tough. We were trying to cover too many bases in an ever more competitive world.

But once we knew what we had to do, and once we felt the surge of support from so many of you, the ride was easier to negotiate. Thank you.

We have said goodbye to many, many wonderful colleagues. We have managed our resources faithfully and ensured that everyone was able to leave with their full redundancy payment and we have also ensured that every single supplier received full payment for all their deliveries.

These are not small matters when I look around at the way many businesses treat their staff and suppliers when times get tough.

Good Stewards

Climate change is having a significant, occasionally existential, impact on our producer friends. As one coffee farmer told us, each year the co-operative is having to plant its coffee bushes further up the mountain to escape the rampant infestations plaguing the valleys due to the warmer weather. At some point, he told us, you run out of mountain, and what does he do then?

We know that the health of the soil is the beginning of all good farming and we are keen to pursue our work with cooperatives who are working organically, feeding biodiversity, developing rain capture systems, processing and re-mulching their waste

efficiently. It may mean that we all have to learn to live a little more simply, investing in what is good rather than buying what is cheap.

We are determined to be good stewards of our resources: this means putting the true principles of fair trade into commercial practice.

We have enough to be getting on with, and we want to make sure that our partners have enough too. I hope you will continue to support us on this mission.

Robin Roth (Traidcraft CEO)

Prayers for Concern in March

Our Nation

Women's rights

For those fulfilling a mothering role

The work of Living Well in the community

Fairtrade Fortnight

“Lord, when I feel that what I'm doing is insignificant and unimportant, help me to remember that everything I do is significant and important in your eyes, because you love me and you put me here, and no one else can do what I am doing in exactly the way I do it.”

— Brennan Manning, *Souvenirs of Solitude: Finding Rest in Abba's Embrace*

Newsletter Dates.

The next Newsletter will be available on Sunday 31 March.

If you would like to make a contribution please speak to Margaret or Jane in good time or contact

jane.martin303@btinternet.com:or s.knapton749@btinternet.com

Deadline for receipt of material is Thursday 14 March.

Thank you.

BIG DAY OUT
at Flamingo Land
on Saturday 14th September.

This is an event for ALL AGES with lots of interesting attractions and activities and easy access to all areas. The Church family, their families, friends, neighbours and anyone associated with Hornsea URC are invited to be a part of this fantastic day along with all churches in the Yorkshire Synod.

Voluntary worship sessions in varying styles will be available throughout the day, so that there is bound to be something that appeals to you. *Further details will be published nearer the date, but these will include Messy Church, traditional worship, and lively all age worship.*

Tickets are £20 per person until 24th May 2019 regardless of age or if you intend to go on the rides. Under 4s are free.

Transport is provided (approx £12 per person - yet to be confirmed)

OR you can make your own way there.

Due to the outlay of cash we will run a 'savings club' for the event if you would like to pay in smaller amounts.

If you would like to book places, or find out more please have a word with/contact :-

M. Knapton, 16 Draycott Avenue, Hornsea HU18 1HH
by the end of March (Full payment by 24th May)



The
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Worship

Friday	1	2 p.m.	Women's World Day of Prayer Parish Church
Sundays	3	10.30 a.m.	Rev. Steven Knapton
	10	10.30 a.m.	Worship Team: Communion:
	17	10.30 a.m.	Worship Team
		6.30 p.m.	Rev. Keith Himsworth (Communion)
	24	10.30 a.m.	Worship Team
	31	10.30 a.m.	Worship Team Mothering Sunday

Events in March

Friday	2	2 p.m.	Women's World Day of Prayer in the Parish Church
Saturday	2	11.00 a.m. To 2.00 p.m.	Winter Lunches
Monday	4	2.00 p.m.	Bible Course Begins
Tuesday	5	10.00 a.m. to 12.00p.m.	Pancakes in the Parish Hall
		7.00 p.m.	Bible Course
Wednesday	6	2.00 p.m.	Friendship Hour recommences: Jean's Fair Bakes
		7.00 p.m.	Worship Coordinators meeting
Friday	8	10.30 a.m.	Churches Together meeting – Methodist (New Room)
Monday	11	2.00 p.m.	Bible Course (2)
Tuesday	12	7.00 p.m.	Bible Course (2)
Wednesday	13	7.30 p.m.	Elders' Meeting
Monday	18	2.00 p.m.	Bible Course (3)
Tuesday	19	7.00 p.m.	Bible Course (3)
Wednesday	20	2.00 p.m.	Friendship Hour: Imogen - hairdressing
Saturday	23	10.00 a.m.	Mission and Care – East Hull
Monday	25	2.00 p.m.	Bible Course (4)
Tuesday	26	7.00 p.m.	Bible Course (4)
Saturday	30	10.00 a.m.	Synod Elders Day - Leeds
Sunday	31	1.00 a.m.	British Summer Time begins. Put clocks forward one hour

NB: Next Lunch after Church – Sunday 7th APRIL