



Almighty God, you light up the way for us.  
Help us to see our path and our purpose  
as we journey through the season of Lent.  
Strengthen us to re-commit our lives to you  
and share your love in the wider world. Amen.

*Fiona Crowther*

**Sunday Worship-**

1<sup>st</sup> March 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent

8<sup>th</sup> March 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Lent (this service will include Holy Communion)

15<sup>th</sup> March 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent- Mothering Sunday

22<sup>nd</sup> March 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent

29<sup>th</sup> March Palm Sunday Service followed by a walk.



Our services are 'live streamed' so that you can join us from home, and if you miss any of the services you can find them on our dedicated YouTube channel - just search Hornsea URC on YouTube to find us.

## **Lent**

Steven writes-

I have always had questions about Lent, and I have found some interesting things about Lent as a result.

The word 'lent' comes from the Anglo-Saxon word "lencton" referring to the springtime when the days grow longer and warmer and brighter.

Lent was the time for final preparation for those who would be baptised on Easter Day. The whole community walked alongside those about to commit their lives to Christ. This became a time for reflecting about personal sin, falling short of the ideals God sets before us, and so seeking to change our lives in the acts of repentance.

Lent can thus be a time for individuals and the church to consider our spiritual health:

How are we living the gospel in our lives, homes, churches, towns, schools, places of work?

What areas of growth or signs of renewal should we celebrate with gratitude and joy?

In what ways have we fallen short, grown stagnant or cold hearted, or failed to. Love God by embracing new life when we encounter it.

Are these some of the questions we could ask ourselves during this Lent?

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## **Pancakes!**

Many thanks to all those who prepared for Lent by eating pancakes at the Methodist Church. A total of **over £300** was raised for Christian Aid!

Thanks too, to all who helped or donated batter, and to Gwen who donated money spent at her craft stall.

## **Cakes**

Thanks to all the regular cake makers who keep us supplied on Sundays and at special events. We are very grateful.

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## **Church Membership**

People often ask whether they need to 'join' their church and become a member. This is not essential but, for those who decide to take this step, it can deepen their sense of belonging and it entitles a person to share in decisions about the life and future of the local church. The URC encourages regular attendees to consider church membership when they start to think of a particular place of worship as 'their church'. Church members commit to supporting the church through giving, action, and by taking part in the Church Meeting, as well as through regular attendance at worship. If you would like to know more about becoming a member, please speak to an Elder – they will be delighted to answer any questions.

# WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

A service for everyone!

## Friday 6 March

*I will give you rest, come*

**Nigeria 2026**

**Hornsea  
United Reformed Church**

New Road  
Hornsea HU18 1PG

**2.00pm Service**

**ALL are WELCOME**

Refreshments  
after the service  
for all able to stay



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### **Sat. 7<sup>th</sup> March- Lent Course-Be Still**

This Saturday Christians Together in Hornsea event continues in the U.R.C. upper room, starting at 10 a.m.  
. All Welcome.

### **Mon. 9<sup>th</sup> March- prayer**

A meeting to gather and pray for each other. At 2 p.m. in the Upper room

### **Wed. 11<sup>th</sup> March- Elders Meeting**

Please pray for the Elders as they meet.

### **Fri 13<sup>th</sup> March- Pilots group**

Please pray for our Pilots group and their leaders as they meet.

### **Sat. 14<sup>th</sup> March-Lent Course- Be Still**

This Saturday Christians Together in Hornsea event continues in the U.R.C. upper room. All Welcome.

### **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March- Come and See**

Held in St. Nicholas Church Parish Hall, this is a cross denominational event- an informal worship session with stories, singing and food, aimed at those who find formal services difficult. Please support this new venture by prayer, volunteering, or going along to find out more!

### **Fri 20<sup>th</sup> March-Pilots group**

Please pray for our Pilots group and their leaders as they meet.

### **Sat. 21st March-Lent Course- Be Still**

This Saturday Christians Together in Hornsea event continues in the U.R.C. upper room. All Welcome.

### **Wed. 25<sup>th</sup> March- Bible Book Club**

During March we are reading Matthew's gospel- just Chapters 5,6, and 7. We are considering the 'Sermon on the Mount'. Do join our discussion, you will be very welcome. We meet at 1.30 p.m. in the Upper Room. It is possible to add another group at a later time if needed- please ask.

### **Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

## **MEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB**

The last Saturday of each month

10.00am @ Hornsea URC, New Road, HU18 1PG

An informal gathering to

'TALK and TASTE'

Why not come along and find out more?

You will be made most welcome.



*Be still  
and know that  
I am God.*

PSALM 46:10



## **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March- Palm Sunday**

As Christians Together in Hornsea, we are organising a Palm Sunday procession, to take place after the church services on Palm Sunday, starting at 1p.m.

The plan is to walk from the Hub on the sea front to the Marine Hotel and back again, singing, waving ribbons/scarves, and handing out Palm crosses. We want to mark the beginning of Holy Week and share that with the townspeople and visitors. It is important that we have enough people in the procession to really make an impact, so please support this if you can.



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Due to technical difficulties this report was not given in full at the recent Church Meeting, so here it is. Please see Carol if you would like a copy of the accounts or details of the new bank account.

### **Report for AGM 2026**

Accounts for the year end 31<sup>st</sup> December 2025

Copies of the accounts are available if you would like to have a look. The final accounts have been checked once again by Bob Orry, and we thank him for doing this for us. Copies have been sent to Synod office.

Our giving for this year is slightly up on last year, so thank you, our overall income is down slightly due to less rental income from the Manse.

Overall, we have made a loss of £34000 due to the unexpected but vital work we had to have done on the steeple. Hopefully there are no more large bills to come this year, and we will be able to replenish our deposit account.

The Manse has been sold, and Margaret will update us on that later.

The other thing we need to tell you is about our bank account. Lloyds Bank will no longer let us use our current account as it is very old!

Margaret and I have, eventually, opened a new account with NatWest. After many attempts at filling in the online form and working out how to insert an electronic signature!! The details of the new account are on the slips of paper that you have been given, more are available in the porch. If your offertory is by standing order, please could you change the bank details to our new account.

The new account will enable us to do online banking making it easier to pay people.

If you have any questions about weekly giving and Gift Aid, please speak to Marian Clubley or anything else about church finances please feel free to ask me at any time.

Carol

## Serving the Community

If you know of anyone local who struggling with rising food prices, it may help you, and them, to know that-

On Wednesday mornings 9- 10.30 a.m. the Pantry operates out of a warehouse on Hornsea Bridge Industrial Estate. This is run like a Community Shop, with free fruit and vegetables available and low-cost groceries to choose from. Jean Robinson helps with this, so please have a word with her if you want to know more or give a donation On Wednesdays at the Parish Hall, they hold a 'Warm Wednesday' lunch event. Soup, sandwiches, jacket potatoes etc. are available free. Customers are asked to leave a donation if they are able.



**Christians Together  
in Hornsea**

*Praying for our community*

Loving God, we give thanks for our community. We pray for these and all people and groups within our community, that your love, peace, joy, courage and comfort may surround us and be known to us all now and always.  
Amen.

<b>JANUARY</b> Community groups and volunteers	<b>FEBRUARY</b> Local government	<b>MARCH</b> Retail and commercial services
<b>APRIL</b> Health care, carers and those cared for	<b>MAY</b> School exams and tests, teachers, governors	<b>JUNE</b> Hospitality, holiday-makers and businesses
<b>JULY</b> Carnival, summer events and farmers	<b>AUGUST</b> Hornsea Inshore Rescue and Coastwatch	<b>SEPTEMBER</b> Schools and Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
<b>OCTOBER</b> Mental and physical health and wellbeing	<b>NOVEMBER</b> Emergency services	<b>DECEMBER</b> The Christmas season and families