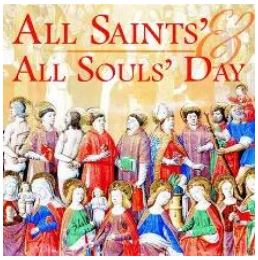
Hornsea United Reformed Church Newsletter November 2026



Sunday Worship

Sunday 1st 10.30 a.m. All Saints

Sunday 8th 10 a.m. Remembrance Sunday. (note earlier start time)

Service will include Holy Communion.

Sunday 15th 10. 30 a.m. Shoebox Sunday.

Sunday 22nd 10.30 a.m. Christ the King.

Sunday 29th 10.30 a.m. Advent Sunday.

Remembrance Sunday Arrangements-

Following a discussion at our Elders meeting it was decided to start our service at 10 a.m. We will aim to finish at 10.45 a.m. so that those who wish to join the gathering and wreath laying in Memorial gardens can do so. (Those remaining in our building will mark 11 a.m. with the last post.)

Refreshments will then be served in the Hall for all.

Remembering all souls

If you would like to remember a loved one, there is opportunity to do so-

November 1st- 3p.m. St Nicholas Church- if you would like any names to be read out, please inform Rev. Rosie.

November 1st- 6 p.m. Methodist Church.

Monday, 2nd November 12pm at Sacred Heart; Mass for All Souls.

We also have candles available on our own prayer corner.

What's on in November?

Shoe Box Sunday- November15th- boxes packed on the 13th

For children around the world, a shoebox is often their very first gift. Given together with the Good News of Jesus Christ, it communicates God's love. So, it is important to make sure your gift is of the quality you would give your own children or grandchildren and sent with prayer.

We thank you for any contribution you are able to make and ask that:

ALL items to be packed MUST be brought to Church/Pilots by the 13th November
THANK YOU

Bible Book Club- November 25th

During November we are reding the book of Malachi. This is what the Bible Society notes say about the book- 'The book of Malachi is written at a time after the return from exile, when many of the people had stopped obeying the law or listening to God at all. According to Malachi, even the priests had stopped caring and worshipping God properly. Malachi's message is a call to repentance and a promise that God would send another messenger to the people of Israel in the future'.

We will meet on Wednesday 25th November at 1.30. p.m. to chat about the book- do join us if you can.

Lights Night- November 27th

Our building will be open from 5.30 p.m.

We welcomed many people last year and gave out 'Smores', hot drinks, and invitations to our Christmas services. It is a lovely opportunity to play 'host' to visitors. Any offers of help, please see Steve Seal or Margaret.

Men's Breakfast Club- November 28th

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.

Junior Church News

The 'junior' church have had another month of answering some BIG questions...

Looking at 1 John we have pondered:
What does it mean to trust someone?
Who are you? *(Do you recognise yourself in any of the gingerbread congregation we created?)*

And "Saints Old and New" has given us chance to reflect on what made Saints special, leading on to asking:
What are my superpowers?

We have found them easy questions to ask but difficult to answer - maybe they've given you pause for thought as well!

A poem from Suzanne-

Staring towards the horizon,

I bring my gaze forward now, towards the seashore.

As the sun is glistening on the sea waves,

As it has done many times before.

How lucky am I, at this later part of my life,

To be blessed with good health,

Free from troubles and strife.

To feel at peace and to be loved.

Thank you, Lord.

Meet the Elder

Most of you will know my face but not necessarily my *full* name or anything much about me.

I am known as Margaret, I joined Hornsea URC in 1990 when I married Steven Knapton, having previously lived and worshipped in Driffield where I was a teacher of Physical Education (or the 'fun and games department' as I liked to refer to it).
I became a member of Hornsea URC in June 1991 and an Elder several years later.

Steven and I have two wonderful sons and this year we now have two beautiful daughters-in-law too. Certainly a year to remember!

I have always lived in the East Riding of Yorkshire, apart from three years away at Lady Mabel College, Wentworth Woodhouse, near Rotherham. In fact, I only live about 10 miles away from the place I was born in - a small hamlet called Hempholme, near Brandesburton.

I am not from a 'church background' only beginning to explore Christianity in my early 30s – a journey I am happy to talk to anyone about – but I am most grateful to the wonderful people who prayed for and supported me along that journey and to all who still do. It is a journey of amazing discoveries, and I am so blessed to be continuing it along with this wonderful fellowship at Hornsea URC and the Christian community in Hornsea.

It is such a privilege to serve the church in the capacity of eldership and to be amazed at how God's Spirit is working in and through the church - and who knows – some of you reading this may feel a call to serve the church through eldership in the future – so why not start the conversation with one of the serving, or non-serving elders to find out more?

Christmas Cards

For those who are really organised, and thinking about Christmas Cards already, a reminder that it is our tradition to send one card to the whole church family, in line with our wish to be an eco- friendly church. The cards will be displayed in church for all to read.

December Newsletter

If you have anything you wish to be included in the next Newsletter please let Jean know or send it to the church e mail- urchornsea@gmail.com.

Thank-you.