

## Hornsea United Reformed Church Newsletter November 2024



### **Sunday Worship**

Sunday November 3rd-10.30 a.m. Remembering Sunday, followed by Church Meeting.

Sunday November 10<sup>th</sup>-10.30 a.m. Remembrance Day -

Short service, including Holy Communion.

Laying of wreaths in Memorial Gardens at 11 a.m.

followed by Church lunch.

Sunday November 17<sup>th</sup> 10 .30 a.m. Shoebox Sunday and Leprosy Sunday

Sunday November 24<sup>th</sup>10 .30 a.m. Christ the King

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.

### **Church Meeting November 3<sup>rd</sup>**(after Sunday worship)

It is the church meeting that is tasked with making the decisions about our fellowship here in Hornsea.

We elect elders and give them the responsibility for the running of the church on a day-to-day basis. It does mean that when we come together in the church meeting, we really do want to do what God wants for our church, and so we need to listen to what each one of us says and listen for the prompting of the Holy Spirit.

The Church Meeting will follow our service on November 3rd.

**November 9<sup>th</sup> - Christmas Fair**



**Can you offer help on a stall, in the kitchen or 'lifting and shifting'?  
Just an hour would be appreciated ...  
Have a word with Val or Margaret.  
Thank You**

**A Note from Gwen-**

Craft sale in support the appeal for the Red Cross Humanitarian Aid in the Middle East

Please look out for my craft stall at the Christmas Fayre (9th November) and coffee mornings (21st and 28th November). All items are handcrafted and would make excellent Christmas presents and stocking fillers. By popular demand advent candles to count down the days to Christmas will be available. Orders are very welcome.

## **November 10<sup>th</sup> - Remembrance Day**

We have planned a shorter service on the 10<sup>th</sup> of November, so that those who wish to go across to Memorial Gardens to gather at 11 a.m. for the laying of wreaths will be able to do so. After this, you are invited to return to the church building to eat together.

## **November 17<sup>th</sup> -Shoebox Sunday**



We will be supporting Samaritans Purse again this year by filling shoeboxes. If you would like to fill your own shoebox, please bring it to church for **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November.**

If, instead of filling a box you would like to donate **items** for us to put into the boxes, there will be a box at the front of church near the piano for your donations. We would like these by the 1<sup>st</sup> of November as we will be filling the boxes on the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> of November with the help of Mandy's friends and the Pilots.

If it is easier for you to donate **money**, there will be a collecting box at the front of church and the money received will go towards the cost of transporting the boxes. There will also be leaflets around the church which will give ideas of what to use or donate.

## **November 27<sup>th</sup> -Bible Book Club**

During November we will be reading the second part of the book of Acts. We have previously read up to the end of Chapter 15, so this month we will read Chapter 16 to the end of the book. This is a fascinating account of the early church, and you would be very welcome to come and join us at the end of the month as we talk about it. For this month we are going to trial meeting both groups together at an earlier time- **1.30p.m. on Wednesday November 27<sup>th</sup>**, in the Upper Room- please use the front door. Thank you.

## **November 29<sup>th</sup>**

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November is 'Lights Night' in Hornsea, when the Christmas Lights are switched on at 6.30 p.m. It has been our custom to have the church building decorated for Christmas and open to welcome visitors. If you can help on this evening, please let one of the Elders know.

## **Faith and Fellowship group**

Due to health issues and other obligations from some members, it has been decided to suspend our Faith and Fellowship group for the time being. Hopefully, we may restart it at some point but for the moment we are no longer meeting on Tuesday afternoons.

## **Start Course**

If you are interested in attending a Start Course or helping to facilitate a group, please have a word with one of the Elders or fill in one of the cards in church. When we know which days and times are convenient for people, we will announce the dates of the courses.



## Thank you

Thank-you from all the volunteers at the Pantry for the goods donated at our Harvest Service. All the local churches have donated goods which is a tremendous help, and they are very grateful.

## 150-year celebrations



If you have **any photographs** of the celebrations which we could put on our website, please forward them to [urchornsea@gmail.com](mailto:urchornsea@gmail.com)

Marion and I would like to say a big thank you for our lovely flowers. It was a team effort, a special mention to Margaret, Gill Norris, Kathy, Dale and Ann Bosworth also Mandy, Heather, Jackie, Jean, and Carol who all contributed to help.

Thank you to everyone who came to the events we put on.

A big to all the people who knitted mice for us to give out to the children especially to Margaret Preece who made the lovely mice I put around the church for the children to find. These lovely mice are going to go in a silent auction at the Christmas Fair on November 9th, so if you would like one of the mice, please make a bid for them.

I hope and pray I have not missed any one off in thanking everyone. I will put my feet up now, well for a few weeks as it will soon be time to decorate the church for Christmas ☐ ☐

Thank you, Ann and Marion.



It's that time of year again when we give thanks  
And remember those who paid the ultimate price  
For the freedom we all know today.

## **Remember**

The Regimental Sergeant Major stands  
Alert and ready to guide all those  
Who'll march down the steps, across the Hall with pride,  
To music played by a regimental band.

The Standards of the British Legion first,  
Pensioners from Chelsea, spouses of the fallen,  
The Army, R.A.F. and Navy will muster,  
While music plays, we will remember them.

Then march for honour, a memory book  
Salute all those who fell, then and now.  
How Great Thou Art, Age shall not weary them,  
For your tomorrow we gave our today.

Abide with me, each year it's the same;  
As poppies fall, the silence reigns  
As we give thanks, Remembering once more.

Gill Bone , November 2024

## **Next Year!**

The Elders will soon be looking at next year's calendar. The worship for Sundays is already planned, and we need to think about what else we would like to do together e.g. Church Lunches, Quiet days, and other things we have done this year- but also anything new you might like to suggest.

What do you think we need to include, and which events we maybe should 'rest' next year? Please let us know.