



BCI Churches

WELCOME!



Your weekly guide to worship, faith, and community in Blendworth & Horndean (East); Chalton and Idsworth

From the Ministry Team:

Reconciliation is a huge issue today. We see clearly the results of not doing it in our daily news, suicide bombs, campaigns of terror, heavy handed dealings by occupying forces. That's on a large scale. On a smaller scale we hear about broken relationships, fallouts between friends, feuds between neighbours. Some pretend it isn't happening, they paper over the cracks, if its not seen it will go away attitude- out of sight out of mind! But resentment can fester away inside.

As Christians, we sometimes think that 'forgiveness' means pretending that everything is alright, that the other person hasn't really done something wrong. Forgiveness doesn't mean saying 'it didn't really happen' or 'it didn't really matter'. Forgiveness is when it did happen, and it did matter and the way you are going to deal with it, is to end up loving and accepting one another again.

Our gospel passage gives us a step-by-step way of doing this. It takes courage, prayer and humility. There may be counter- accusations, there may be truths that needs to be recognised, blame isn't always equal on both sides. Sometimes you do need to take a 3rd person to act as a go between, someone who may tell you, some uncomfortable truths, if that's what's needed. By taking the situation to God in prayer, we know we have Jesus standing there with us. He sees in to everyone's heart and knows more that we may ever care to say. Reconciliation will be costly, but Jesus gave his life for each one of us and that love surrounds us, upholds us and gives us real hope, that true reconciliation can be made if we persevere.

Every Blessing,
Dawn

Collect

Merciful God,
your Son came to save us
and bore our sins on the cross:
may we trust in your mercy
and know your love,
rejoicing in the righteousness
that is ours through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

Bible Thought

'For if two or three are gathered in
my name, I am there among
them.' **Matthew 18 v20**

Sunday Services

This Week:
Sunday 6th September
Creation Tide

8am Blendworth BCP Communion
led by Joy
9.30am Chalton Holy Communion
led by Wendy
9.30am Idsworth Mattins led by Joy
11am Blendworth Morning Prayer
led by Wendy with Sowing Seeds
led by Joy

Readings

This week: Creation in Christ

Isaiah 55.12 - end
Colossians 1.15 - 20
John 1.1-14

Next Week: Trinity 15

Genesis 50.15-21
Psalm 103.[1-7]8-13
Romans 14.1-12
Matthew 18.21-35

Next Week...
Sunday 13th September
Trinity 15

9.30am Chalton Morning Prayer
9.30am Idsworth Holy Communion
11am Blendworth Parish
Communion (Informal)

Sowing Seeds at Blendworth

Jesus' wonderful love: The Lost Coin

Holy Trinity Church Blendworth
Sunday 6th September
11am




Our service format means more time to tell the story and create a response! This time we are creating our own coins!

Upcoming Events

There are lots of events to look forward to this summer and into September.

Please put a few dates in your diary!

Sunday 6th September - Sowing Seeds @ Blendworth

Monday 7th September - Grandparents & Toddlers 10am starts a new term.

Saturday 12th September - Ride & Stride

Alpha Day at Blendworth Church Centre from 9am - 1pm

Messy Church goes Wild - 2.30pm at Chalton

Saturday 19th September rescheduled Blendworth Fun Dog Show

Sunday 20th September is Harvest Festival at all churches

Saturday 26th September - Last Night at the Proms with Blendworth Brass Band - Blendworth Church Centre

**Sunday 27th September - Patronal Festival of St Michael at Chalton celebrating the 50th year of Canon Terry's ordination. (10.30am)
Preaching: Archbishop Rowan Williams**



Members of all congregations at BCI Churches will be aware the Canon Terry Loudon is celebrating his 50th year since his ordination at the Patronal Festival of St Michael and All Angels at Chalton on Sunday 27th September at 10.30am. There will be a lot of invited guests attending from all over Portsmouth Diocese and particularly from parishes where Terry served. This limits the amount of space that we will have for everyone so we have allocated 50 tickets for those at BCI to apply for. Please contact Janet Laws via email (janet.laws@btopenworld.com) to reserve your place. We apologise if you happen to be unsuccessful as there is likely to be a great demand. Please bring your ticket with you on the day. Car sharing as space will be limited would also be appreciated. Revd Joy.

Discipleship Courses for the Curious



Sometimes we just want to ask questions and sometimes we want to ponder how we fit into all this.

There are lots of courses on offer from BCI Churches and St Wilfrid's Church too.

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After the first successful run, 'Being With' will be commencing a fresh course on **Thursday 24th September at Blendworth Hills Retirement Village's Garden Room.**

Being With is for anyone who's curious about faith—or wondering if the Christian faith has something meaningful to offer. No special knowledge needed. Just what you have learned in life so far.

More details at:



<https://forms.gle/WqLwRjH2PhjSzW2o7> or missiohdn@gmail.com

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The Prayer Course is coming soon to St Wilfrid's Church on Wednesday mornings at 10.30 from 16th September. A simple, accessible way to explore prayer, deepen your relationship with God and grow alongside others. The course will also run on a Sunday evening from October

More details at:

<https://forms.gle/dvffzXuukwdQ8MjAA> or missiohdn@gmail.com

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Parenting for Faith begins on 6 October. A friendly, practical **online** course helping parents and carers give children the tools to connect with God in everyday life. Open to anyone raising children — no church background needed.

More details:

<https://forms.gle/GUoov3s7QZimZZQp9>

parenting for faith

Tuesday Evenings 7:30pm-8:30pm (6th October - 1st December) On Zoom

Want to help the kids you love find God in everyday life?

The Parenting for Faith course is for you! It's not just mums and dads who long for children and teens to know God for themselves. Whether you're a parent, carer, family member, friend, or church worker or leader, you can help the young people in your life develop a vibrant and connected relationship with God - whatever their age!

The Parenting for Faith video-based course will give you confidence to share your life with God in a way that feels natural to you - and the tools to do it easily in everyday life.

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- Use the link or QR code for more details and to sign up.

Link to sign up:
forms.gle/CcwuiVenwawsesUh8

Or scan QR Code:



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**TICKETS
£20**

**SATURDAY
OCTOBER 10TH
5.30 PM**

**ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH
CHALTON**

BOOK YOUR TICKETS

1. SCAN THE QR CODE



OR

2. GO HERE



www.bcichurches.org.uk/escaping-time

Next year 2027 all the courses will be repeated again with the addition of the Bible Course in the Spring. So don't worry if now is not a convenient moment.

This is part of the Horndean Mission so anyone from the Horndean area, whatever church they belong to can join in. Please get in touch at missiohdn@gmail.com for more details. We also have a new Horndean Mission website that's being built now and I will forward the details when it's ready.

For your Prayers

Christians who maintain their faith in difficult circumstances throughout the world.

The World: For all those who suffer in places of conflict — we pray for peace.

The Parishes - we pray for the Horndean mission and for our churches to grow in confidence to spread the good news of the Gospel.

The congregation at St. John the Evangelist, Langrish (near Petersfield) whose church closes for worship today (Sunday).

The Sick Dayle , Kevin, Diana

For those who mourn: Jimmy James, Michael Bever

The funeral of the Revd Michael Bever will be at All Saints, Odiham on 14th September at midday. A coach will be provided (free) from All Saints Catherington car park leaving at 10.30am and returning from Odiham at 2.30pm. The service is a Eucharist and the committal will be from the church, only the undertakers will go to the Crematorium.

Please could anyone who wishes to come on the coach let Ruth know as soon as possible - 07948 833 170 or ruthbever@icloud.com

Harvest Festival

at Holy Trinity Church
Blendworth PO8 0AB



Sunday 20th September at 11am

Activities for young children with an extra Sowing Seeds session!

Harvest gifts (non-perishable please) for the Horndean & Clanfield Foodbank



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Safeguarding

The Parishes of Blendworth, Chalton and Idsworth are fully committed to safeguarding all of God's people. The Benefice Safeguarding Policy was agreed at the Benefice Standing Committee meeting held on 15th June 2026. If you have any questions, or to report a safeguarding concern, please contact Revd Joy, 07521 862285. If you prefer to contact somebody from outside of the parishes, please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Team. Monday to Thursday 9am-5pm Email: safeguarding@portsmouth.anglican.org, 023 9289 9665 or Out of Hours advice can be sought from the Thirtyone:eight helpline on 0303 003 1111, selecting option 2.