

New Horizons

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WHEREVER I AM I WILL PRAISE HIM

THE CORNERSTONE



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WORSHIP AND ACTION

Sunday 10.30 am **Morning Worship** and Junior Church.
Holy Communion is celebrated during Worship on the 4th Sunday

FAIRTRADE Coffee and tea is served after Morning Worship
Please stay to talk with each other in an informal atmosphere.

Tues 10.00 am **Time of prayer** together for: the Fellowship, those with special needs, our neighbours, and the world-wide Christian Family. All are welcome to join with us.

Church Meetings are generally held in alternate months on the third Thursday at 7.30 pm. The dates and times will be published in this magazine and announced in Church.

Please note changes to activities on Mondays.

Mon 5.00 - 6.00pm Messy Church (1st Monday in the month)
5.00 - 6.00pm Pilots (2nd, 3rd & 4th Monday in the month)
7.00 pm Digging Deeper/Bible Study
(2nd and 4th Monday of each month)

Tues 10.00 am Tea and Coffee in the Foyer
11.30 am The Tuesday Rendezvous
(1st and 3rd Tuesdays or as announced)

Wed 9.30 am The Cornerstone Toddlers during Term Time

Thurs 6.00 pm Beaver Scouts and Cub Scouts
7.45 - 9.15pm Scouts

Thurs 7.30 pm Elders' Meeting (1st Thursday)

We do offer Christian Marriage, Baptisms and Funerals so please talk to the Secretary or any Elder if you feel that we can help.

Little Turtles Pre-School meets on Monday to Friday from 9.00 am during term time. Please contact the Church Secretary for details.



Letter to the Fellowship

Faith before Healing

When you look at someone, do you see a person, or just a single mother or father, someone with unusual body piercings, and tattoos all over? Are they an inconvenience in your day, a box in your "to-do list" or do you see them as someone that God can be glorified through?

People are more than the sum of their mistakes. Each person is created in the image of God! Each person is someone for whom Christ died. Everybody deserves to be treated with dignity.

In John chapter 9 we read that Jesus spat on the ground and applied the spittle to the eyes of a blind man. Why? Saliva was thought to have medicinal value in Jesus' day. To see how the ancients arrived at this, think about the first thing you do when you smash your finger. That's right, it goes right in your mouth.

After covering his eyes with the clay, Jesus sent the blind man on a task. *"Go, wash in the pool of Siloam'. And so he went away and washed, and came back seeing."* (John 9:7)

Why didn't Jesus just heal the man? Why did He ask him to do something? This wasn't just any errand. The pool of Siloam is a cistern at the bottom of a steep flight of stairs, not easy for a blind man to navigate. Why would Jesus send him on this errand?

Well, for one thing, Jesus usually asks people to demonstrate their faith before he works a miracle in their lives. The servants that participated in the water to wine miracle did. The official whose son Jesus healed did. The man who was sick for thirty-eight years beside the pool in Jerusalem did. The little boy who gave Jesus his packed lunch did. Peter did, when he walked

on the water, and now, so would the blind man. But there's more.

Jesus did not see this man as an invalid, he saw him as a person who could navigate the steps to the pool of Siloam. When he sent the man on the task, he restored the man's dignity, and when the man exercised his faith, he restored his eyesight.

Another similar incident comes to my mind is of Naaman, who was expecting the man of God Elisha to come out and put his hand on him to cure him of leprosy. But he got *"a messenger to say to him, "Go, wash yourself seven times in the Jordan, and your flesh will be restored and you will be cleansed."* (2 Kings 5:10). That made him angry.

Sometimes, the miracle is in the journey as well as the destination. It is in the process as well as the result. God's miracles aren't always instantaneous, but they are always complete.

Whenever I read this passage, I wonder how I would react if someone mixed their saliva with some dirt on the ground and put it on my face like this. Why didn't Jesus just heal this guy and be done with it? Why the messy prelude?

If you'll notice, Jesus did two things. First, He placed mud on the man's eyes. Then, He told him to go and wash in the pool of Siloam. Of course, the man willingly obeyed. If you had some gross mixture smeared on your eyes, wouldn't you? The mud actually provided the motivation for his obedience.

I believe we often find ourselves in situations where we can't see a clear way out or an answer, and the Lord asks us to do a few simple things, but we keep looking at the mud we find around us, we try our best to understand the situation.

But we don't always have to understand why we find ourselves muddy. Perhaps if we weren't muddy, we'd never be motivated to obey! And obedience is crucial to a successful and flourishing walk with the Lord.

Let's not despise the mud on our face today. We all have times of trial. Let's use them for an opportunity to be obedient! God is just trying to help us see better, in his own time and in his own way.

**God Bless,
Sohail**

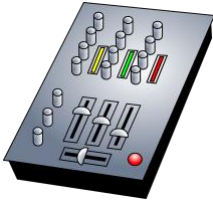
When we walk with the Lord
in the light of His word,
what a glory He sheds on our way!
While we do His good will,
He abides with us still,
and with all who will trust and obey.

*Trust and obey,
for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.*

Not a burden we bear,
not a sorrow we share,
but our toil He doth richly repay;
not a grief nor a loss,
not a frown nor a cross,
but is blest if we trust and obey.

*Trust and obey,
for there's no other way
to be happy in Jesus,
but to trust and obey.*

**John Henry Sammis - MP760
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Covid 19 Precautions: GUIDANCE

The Government has removed legal restrictions and now emphasises personal responsibility for living with Covid-19. The plan includes:

- Keeping our buildings well ventilated. If you feel the cold, please consider sitting on the Bournemouth Park Road side where there are no open windows
- Encouraging the use of face masks in indoor settings, to protect others
- Staying at home if you have any cold or flu-like symptoms;
- Continuing to sanitise your hands on entering the building;

Please remember that some people are more vulnerable than others. They may need to keep their distance and/or deploy the “keep this seat vacant” signs.

Thank You.

If you are not ready or able to return to in-person worship, our services continue to be streamed to our YouTube Channel https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCmZ8TMU6-Gmmgl4p87_puQ

Prayers for our Fellowship and those we know

Prayers can be for joy and sorrow, health and sickness, good news and bad in addition to those for our own needs and guidance.

Please pray for all of our fellowship as we live in these worrying times of sickness and the war in Ukraine.



We keep in our thoughts any of our fellowship who are unwell, in hospital, undergoing surgery/treatment or having tests. We pray for their return to good health.

Please remember in your prayers the families of recently deceased loved ones. Give them peace of spirit and the knowledge that God hears all of their prayers.

Father, hear our prayers **Amen**

Pause for Thought

Your strengths can become your weaknesses but, your weaknesses will also be your strengths.

Prayer Thoughts for others; and yourself

Those suffering in Ukraine and short of food and shelter amidst the sound of gunfire.

Give thanks that we live in peace and quiet.

For the people of Afghanistan after the dreadful earthquake.

Give thanks that we walk on stable ground.

For those in Bangladesh and India who have lost everything in the floods.

Give thanks for the moderate rain and sunshine that nourish our crops.

SECRETARY'S NOTEBOOK



Summer: Blue sky and not a cloud in sight; warm sunshine before 10 a.m. and the gentle breeze to dry the washing. Perfect. And I'm indoors writing this, and other bits!

It won't be a good year for climbing beans – the day after I planted them out, we were subjected to the drying effect of high winds; then a couple of days of intense sunshine which made them look like bits of brown string followed by torrential rain. I've left them in place to see if they pick up but don't hold out much hope of a decent harvest. The tayberries on the other hand have produced more than ever, the freezer is bursting at the seams and I'm sure there will be plenty of jam to come - jam making is done on cooler days!

What a a great start to the month of June, marking Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II Platinum Jubilee with extra holidays, parties and the kind of pomp and ceremony that is the essence of Great Britain. We were so pleased to be able to welcome many neighbours and friends for our Jubilee party, our yard and hall were buzzing with joy and so many people I think I only got the chance to speak to around 70% of them. Sohail concluded the proceedings with a short worship with thanks for our Queen's years of service, and everyone sang together. This was our first community event for a long time, and despite it being very tiring for those on the go all afternoon (we are all that bit older and unused to this kind of event due to Covid) it was wonderful to be serving the neighbourhood in this way. Thank you everyone.

I'm sure I'm not the only one who appreciated the weight of the task which fell on preachers across the nation on 5th June, to devise worship which both honoured our Queen and marked the Christian Festival of Pentecost. At The Cornerstone this fell to Roger Brett and it was certainly different to what we have come to expect on one of our most holy days. The following Sunday, Church Parade, it was Sohail's turn, explaining the Trinity in modern parable or analogy. Since I've had the task of arranging worship for Trinity Sunday more than once, I know how hard it is to speak about this mystery of our

faith which is bigger than our human minds can wholly grasp. On 19th June John Amos led our thoughts on the story of Jesus and Legion, for whom Jesus had such compassion (love) that he cast out all his demons; and reminded us that there are many people, even in Southend, who harbour demons and need our love and compassion.

As I write these notes, Sohail is due to lead our Communion service on 26th June, to mark our 17th Anniversary

It was a privilege to be invited to participate in Pray4URC on 23rd June, in the run up to General Assembly. This is an on line occasional series to pray for things happening in the church and in the world, organised by GEAR (Group for Evangelism and Renewal) which is currently chaired by Rev. Matt Stone. It is streamed live to Facebook, where you can participate using comments, and prayer suggestions are fed back to the panel. In this case we were focussed on the debate of the URC Environmental policy. Since I no longer represent Synod at GA it was good to be able to contribute. If you want to know more about what is happening at General Assembly you can read the book of reports here: [General Assembly papers - United Reformed Church](#)

Thank you to everyone who responded to the book appeal for St Vincent's charity, I will arrange for these to be delivered shortly. I am always on the lookout for a local cause we can support in this kind of way, so do let me know if you hear of anything.

We have finally been able to arrange Emergency First Aid revision training for our volunteer first aiders – training courses were suspended during the pandemic. Our thanks to those who are now qualified for a further three years:

Ann Thorp
Frank Dixon
Victor Crowhurst
Derek Goodyear
Mary Goodhew
Val Mead

We hope and pray we will not need their ministrations!

On the subject of training, it has never been cheaper to get a Food Hygiene qualification – around £12 plus VAT on line. We do require anyone who is using the church kitchen to prepare and cook a meal to have a level 2 certificate – a few of our number have this qualification but it would be good to have more people to call upon when necessary.

I want to tell you what happened to the paper cups we used for refreshments during the worst days of the pandemic. You may recall it was decided to use paper rather than china, as no-one knew then exactly whether Covid could linger on china surfaces. We opted to get what is described as 100% compostable cups. Once they had been used for beverages, they were rinsed and stacked; after a suitable period, some of them were disinfected and used for Messy Church crafts as they were still very stable. With others, I then removed the brown card outer and composted that with good effect. I tore up some of the cups at the same time, but they did not break down very speedily and the resulting compost still has traces of white card and some of the cellulose lining. I'm sure this will go in time. A huge number of the cups were used as plant pots for my seedlings. However, in order to avoid the bottoms dropping out we could not sit them in trays of water, which meant watering from the top with a long spout which was time consuming. As the cups have sat outdoors, exposure to sun, rain and the attention of snails has caused a level of degradation and I think the composting process will be much quicker. All in all, I believe we have had the best use possible from what was a relatively expensive investment.

My front garden home and produce stall is nearing the end for the 'young plant' part of the season, although I still have houseplants and some outdoor ornamentals. I am hoping to put the remaining tomato plants in containers in the front garden, available for 'pick your own' over the next couple of months. I'd best get back to work!

Ruth Dixon

Cornerstone Podcasts

Occasional podcasts can be found at

<https://soundcloud.com/cornerstonegod/>

Do listen to them, they are very interesting, and pass the information on to friends.

If you have something to share, or can contribute to recordings, have a word with Roger Brett.

Hymns for Laodicea

In the book of Revelation ch4 verse14 the Church in Laodicea is described as *lukewarm*, that is, neither hot nor cold about its deeds. Perhaps they might have a hymnbook with the following first lines?

Precious Lord, take my finger.

Sit up, sit up for Jesus.

Spirit of the living God, fall somewhere near me.

Take my life and let me be.

Really?

A newly ordained Minister had to stand in for a sick colleague at very short notice. At the end of the sermon, he explained apologetically: "At such short notice I'm afraid I just had to rely on the Holy Spirit. Next time I hope to do better".

What's in a name?

Richard Gere! Yes, we've all heard of him. But such a shame that his fame overshadowed that of his father - the famous ventriloquist Gotler.

Free Marriage Tip

Don't ask your wife when dinner will be ready while she is mowing the lawn!



Peter's Piece

Made in the image of God

Then God said, "Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground."

So God created mankind in his own image in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. Genesis (1:26-27)

What does this mean?

Far too much for Peter's Piece, many a sermon has been preached on these verses!

One passage that comes to my mind is 1 John 4:7-21 which includes the statement more than once - *God is love*. This does not mean love is an attribute of God, so God loves, but rather that God himself is love personified. His very nature is love.

The original Greek NT has a unique word for God's love, agape *agape*. It was a rarely used Greek word in NT secular life but is used with a distinctive spiritual meaning in the NT; see 1 John 3:16 *This is how we know what love [agape agape] is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us.*

This very nature of God and therefore the nature of His love: not love because of desirable attributes in the object of love but is totally self-sacrificing. [see the well-known verse John 3:16]

It is in this respect that God initially made humans in his image, capable of pure love. Sadly, in us humans this has been ruined by human sin, and we have corrupted and trivialised it for our own selfish satisfaction.

Of course, in the light of contemporary flippant usage of the word love, we need to define what the Bible and this passage means

when used as defining God. 1 Corinthians 13 is Paul's great teaching on Bible love - *Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful, it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.*

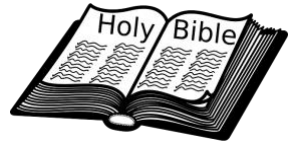
And John in his earlier first letter puts it succinctly - *This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.*

If we by faith have been born again, made anew, then, with Christ by the Holy Spirit living in us, God's image is restored and we can live as God originally intended *in his likeness* before sin ruined God's creation.

God bless
Peter

Digging deeper

The study into Acts is going well with large numbers attending.



A lively discussion ensues in most of the sessions and most people seem to be getting something out of it.

You are most welcome to join us.

7.00 pm - Digging Deeper/Bible Study
(2nd and 4th Monday of each month)

But taking a break in August.

**Silence
is better than
unnecessary
drama**

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THE ZIMBABWEAN REFUGEE CRISIS

There are almost 3.4 Zimbabwean refugees, roughly a quarter of the population. Most have gone to South Africa and Australia, with over 400 000 now living in the UK. Zimbabweans leave their homes because of poverty, climate change, and repressive government policies.

South Africa deports many of those who cross the border - over 14 000 every week. Most Zimbabweans crossing at Beit Bridge are turned back. Some attempt to swim across the Limpopo and are attacked or killed by crocodiles and hippos.

Many Zimbabweans seeking refuge in South Africa are children. They are vulnerable to abuse and sex trafficking. The large number of refugees has contributed to xenophobic attacks and harassment from locals.

Much of Zimbabwe is financed by money being sent back by refugees to family members, who use the money to pay for groceries and school fees.

Commitment for Life works with Christian Aid in Zimbabwe to improve conditions in Zimbabwe so that having to leave home becomes less likely. But the task is enormous, and we are grateful for your ongoing support and prayers.

Reflection on Refugees

Amnesty International reports that in 2019, more than two-thirds of all refugees came from just five countries: Syria, Venezuela, Afghanistan, South Sudan and Myanmar.

Syria has been the main country of origin for refugees since 2014 and at the end of 2019, there were 6.6 million Syrian refugees hosted by 126 countries worldwide.

In 2019, only half a per cent of the world's refugees were resettled. Over the past decade, just over 1 million refugees were resettled, compared to 3.9 million refugees who returned to their country.

Wealthier countries aren't doing nearly enough to share the cost of protecting people who have left everything behind. Appeals for humanitarian assistance for refugees are consistently - and often severely - underfunded.

In short, the world urgently needs a new, global plan based on genuine international cooperation and a meaningful and fair sharing of responsibilities.

Prayer for Refugees

Lord of the journey, we ask for your protection on all who have fled their homes.

Give them strength on their journeys and grant that they may find places of compassion at which to rest.

Ease their fear as they throw in their lot with strangers and keep alive their vision of finding a secure and welcoming home.

Amen

**Memories remind us
that nothing lasts forever.
Time is precious and
should not be wasted.
Enjoy life and remember,
don't count the days,
make the days count.**

"A" Musical Term

ALLEREGRETTO: When you're 16 measures into the piece and suddenly realise you set a too-fast tempo.

ANGUS DEI: To play, with a divinely beefy tone.

A PATELLA: Accompanied by knee-slapping.

APOLOGGIATURA: A composition that you regret playing.

APPROXIMATURA: A series of notes not intended by the composer, yet played with an "I meant to do that" attitude.

APPROXIMENTO: A musical entrance that is somewhere in the vicinity of the correct pitch.

As I was saying!

Well to be perfectly honest, in my humble opinion, of course without offending anyone who thinks differently from my point of view, but also by looking into this matter in a different perspective and without being condemning of one's views and by trying to make it objectified, and by considering each and every one's valid opinion, I honestly believe that I completely forgot what I was going to say.

And to be serious

We often sing the words *I will hold the Christ-light for you* - but what we do with that light is what really matters.

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Wise Words

“Don’t prioritise your looks my friend, as they won’t last the journey. Your sense of humour though, will only get better with age.

Your intuition will grow and expand like a majestic cloak of wisdom. Your ability to choose your battles, will be fine-tuned to perfection.

Your capacity for stillness, for living in the moment, will blossom. Your desire for knowing what (and who) is worth your time, will grow and flourish like ivy on a castle wall.

Don’t prioritise your looks my friend, they will change forevermore. That pursuit is one of much sadness and disappointment.

Prioritise the uniqueness that makes you you, and the invisible magnet that draws in other like-minded souls to dance in your orbit.

These are things which will only get better.”

Donna Ashworth

Are you having a laugh?

- Last night I ordered a glass of wine with my dinner and the waiter asked for my ID. I replied do I look that young and the waiter said “No, I just wanted to see if you qualified for the Senior Citizen discount.”
- I don’t always go the extra mile. But when I do it’s because I missed my exit.
- A truck loaded with Vicks Vapor rub overturned on the highway. Amazingly, there was no congestion for eight hours!
- I have learned two very important lessons in my life. I don’t remember the first one but the second one is to write everything down.

SERVICES AND MEETINGS AT THE CORNERSTONE

July

Sun	3 rd	10.30am	Morning Worship	Roger Brett
Mon	4 th	5pm	Messy Church	
Thu	7 th	7.30pm	Elders' & M&M meeting	
Sun	10 th	10.30am	Morning Worship & Parade	Our Minister
Mon	11 th	5pm	Pilots	
Mon	11 th	7pm	Digging Deeper	
Sun	17 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Ruth Dixon
Mon	18 th	5pm	Pilots	
Sun	24 th	10.30am	Morning Worship (HC)	Our Minister
Mon	25 th	7pm	Digging Deeper?	
Sun	31 st	10.00am	Church Meeting & Worship	Our Minister

August

Sun	7 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Ruth Dixon
Sun	14 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Our Minister
Sun	21 st	10.30am	Morning Worship	Roger Brett
Sun	28 th	10.30am	Morning Worship (HC)	Our Minister

September

Thu	1 st	7.30pm	Elders' Meeting	
Sun	4 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Rev Celia Whitman
Mon	5 th	5pm	Messy Church	
Wed	7 th	9.30am	Toddlers first meeting	
Sun	11 th	10.30am	Morning Worship	Our Minister
Mon	12 th	5pm	Pilots	
Mon	12 th	7pm	Digging Deeper	

Communion Offerings



These collections are taken at the two Sunday Communion Services during the last hymn and are for local charitable organisations outside of The Cornerstone.

Sunday Coffee/Tea Rota

July 3rd Stella Duboux
10th Anne Clarke and Brenda Kemp
17th Stella Duboux and Val Hayman
24th Machrina Ejaz and Sandra Russ
31st Joan Harvey and Brenda Kemp

Aug 7th Val Mead and Anne Clarke
14th Anne Clarke and Val Mead
21st Stella Duboux and Val Hayman
28th Machrina Ejaz and Sandra Russ

Sept 4th Sandra Russ and Stella Duboux
11th Anne Clarke and Val Mead



Tuesday mornings “Drop in”

July 5th Stella Duboux
12th Wendy Brett and Val Mead
19th **See below**
26th Carol Smith and Pat Pates

Aug 2nd Stella Duboux
9th Wendy Brett and Val Mead
16th Sandra Russ
23rd Carol Smith and Pat Pates
30th **See below**

Sept 6th Stella Duboux
13th Wendy Brett and Val Mead



On the Tuesdays of the months that are in red type, someone will set up in the servery and we shall then rely on you to help yourself and perhaps assist others if you are able.

For the **first Sunday of each month**, we are very grateful to those who have already “volunteered”.

Thank you. **Michael**

Church Flowers

July

- 3rd -
- 10th -
- 17th - Peter and Zoy Hunt
- 24th - Alison Shannon
- 31st - Brenda Melling in celebration of her 90th birthday

August

- 7th -
- 14th -
- 21st - Michael and Brenda Wardle
- 28th - Brenda Kemp



Sept

- 4th - David and Maureen Stone
- 11th - Eric and Pat Garrard - celebrating their Diamond Wedding
- 18th - John and Stella Duboux - celebrating their Golden Wedding
- 25th - HARVEST

As you can see, there are a few gaps on the Flower List for July and August, so if you would like to supply flowers for any of the vacant Sundays, please contact Val or Joan.

They would be very happy to buy the flowers on your behalf and arrange them or alternatively, you are very welcome to do an arrangement yourself.

**Do everything
with a good heart
and
expect nothing in return
and
you will never be disappointed.**



The Next Issue of New Horizons - September 2022

We always welcome contributions from our readers, whether they are from The Cornerstone or anywhere around the world. Please let us have your personal stories, recollections, inspiring thoughts from biblical or other sources, acts of kindness both given and received, encouragement to mission; really anything that you have found interesting. **Especially if are able to get away on holiday this year and see something that might interest our readers.**

The next issue will be published on Sunday **4th September** and will be pleased to receive any contributions for this issue by **9 a.m. on Thursday 25th August**. Thank you.

Anne and Michael

EATING IN THE UK IN THE 50'S

For those of you who are old enough to remember, enjoy.

For the rest, treat this as a history lesson!

- ❖ A takeaway was a mathematical problem
- ❖ A pizza was something to do with a leaning tower
- ❖ A Big Mac was what we wore when it was raining
- ❖ Only Heinz made beans
- ❖ Healthy food consisted of anything edible
- ❖ Prunes were medicinal
- ❖ Fish didn't have fingers in those days
- ❖ Cooking outside was called camping
- ❖ Oil was for lubricating, fat was for cooking
- ❖ Water came out of the tap, if someone had suggested bottling it and charging more than petrol for it, they would have become a laughing stock
- ❖ The one thing that we never ever had on our table in the fifties was elbows!

Thinking Beyond Sunday and Beyond the Building **A church Calendar for 2022 - July to Christmas.**

- 4th July and 11th July 2.30 to 4 - Safeguarding Via Synod
 - 7th July and 14th July 7.30 to 9.00 Safeguarding via Synod
 - 11th July - Elders on 'Worship' Via Synod
 - 31st July - Church Meeting
 - 15th August - Assumption Day - Western Churches
 - 10th September - Ideas on Worship Via Synod at Bungay
 - 12th September - Elders on 'Spirituality' Via Synod
 - 17th September - Faith in Action Day Via Synod at Norwich
 - 24th September - Harvest Festival Musical Evening + Food
 - 25th September - Harvest Festival Worship
 - 2nd October - URC 50th Birthday Celebration
 - 10th October - Elders on 'Pastoral' via Synod
 - 1st November - All Saints Day
 - 5th November - Lay Preachers Day Via Synod at Cambridge
 - 13th November - Remembrance Sunday
 - 14th November - Elders as 'The Secretary' Via Synod
 - 19th November - Crafters Do - See Val Mead
 - 26th November - Ideas on Worship Via Synod at Bury St. Edmonds
 - 27th November - Advent Sunday - Communion
 - 8th December - Immaculate Conception
 - 11th December - Junior Church/Pilots and Sohail Lead Worship
 - 24th December - Christingle at 3.30 with Ruth and Mary
 - 25th December - Christmas Day Worship
- Synod events can be booked at - training@urceastern.org.uk
- All sort of goodies to look forward to.

WHO'S WHO?

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**Please remember that your Elders are ordained
to serve our members and friends
who have pastoral concerns.**