



St Nicholas Church Linton August 2022

Services in the Benefice

Sunday 31st July (5th Sunday)

10.30am Benefice Service at Coxheath

Sunday 7th August

There will be no service at Linton.

9.30am Holy Communion at St Mary's Hunton

9.30am Morning Worship at East Farleigh

11am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Coxheath

Sunday 14th August

9.30am Morning Worship at Linton

9.30am Holy Communion at West Farleigh

11am Morning Worship at Coxheath

Sunday 21st August

No service at Linton

9.30am Holy Communion at East Farleigh

9.30am Morning Worship at Hunton

11am Holy Communion at Coxheath

Sunday 28th August

9.30am Holy Communion at Linton

9.30am Morning Worship at West Farleigh

11am Morning Worship at Coxheath

Sunday 4th September

There will be no service at Linton.

9.30am Holy Communion at St Mary's Hunton

9.30am Morning Worship at East Farleigh

11am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Coxheath

The 11am service at Holy Trinity, Coxheath is available on Zoom every Sunday <http://bit.ly/UnitedBenefice>

Every Thursday

10am Midweek Holy Communion, Holy Trinity

Coxheath an online <http://bit.ly/ThursdayCommunion>

Sunday 7th August Linton Park Open Garden

<https://ngs.org.uk/> You can book tickets online or just turn up on the day. A team of volunteers from the church, village hall, Linton Walkers and other kind local volunteers will be serving refreshments on the terrace during the day, including Linton Famous Strawberry Cream Teas. All proceeds from the refreshments will be split between Linton Church and Linton Village Hall. More info from Kath (01622 741494 cooperkath2@gmail.com or Sue Whitmarsh suewhitmarsh2@gmail.com.



There will also be a team of people welcoming visitors to the church during the day. It is lovely to show off our beautiful church building. If you would like to help with this, please contact Kath. We had 40 visitors during the day in April.

Wednesday 31st August

12 noon Midweek Holy Communion in Linton.

Tuesday 30th August - 10am

COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING in

Linton Church. **Please note new**

timing, from 10am (not 9.30am) to 12 noon

Bacon rolls, scones, cakes and lots more. A member of Linton Parish Council will be present at the coffee morning to discuss community matters with you.



Saturday 20th August

3-5pm Messy Church at St Nicholas Linton. A couple of hours of fun for all the family: craft, stories, songs and friendship. Finishing with a picnic

(weather dependant) in the church grounds.

Contact Becky for more information: 07949 646865

Benefice Children & Families Worker

<https://www.facebook.com/Coxheath-Benefice-Kids-112089254485427/>

Apologies: The announcement of our new Rector has been delayed by DBS checks taking longer than normal. We hope there will be an announcement before the end of August. "And the fruit of the Spirit isPatience"!!

Pastoral Letter from Sue Elliott

Dear friends,
Following on from David's excellent Pastoral Letter last month about memories, good or bad, and the first record his sister bought, *Magic Moments* by Perry Como, I can remember that my Mum loved Buddy Holly and I memorized the words to lots of his songs by the time I was five! The headline in 1959 was of his death in an aeroplane crash at the age of 22. No doubt his early death deprived us of many more toe-tapping songs.

I am actually on holiday in France as I write this but we are not detached from what is going on in the world. The main headlines at the moment are the assassination of Shinzo Abe, Japan's former Prime Minister; and, earlier in the week, yet another mass shooting in the US. These are the sort of memories that we would rather not have. Cameron Norrie got himself into the Wimbledon semi-final – that's a better memory.

I cannot, however, avoid the elephant in the room news that Boris has resigned. For all the good or bad that he may have done politically I cannot ignore the fact that our Prime Minister has been found wanting in the truth and honesty department!

My daily notes *UCB Word for Today*, on the very day of the resignation had the title 'Control your tongue' and the Bible reference Proverbs 23:16 'My inmost being will rejoice when your lips speak what is right.' I don't know how long ago the notes were written but how relevant they were for this day!

There is another reference from Proverbs that I would like to share with you. It is Proverbs 22:20-22 'Have I not written for you sayings of counsel and knowledge, teaching you to be honest and to speak the truth so that you bring back truthful reports to those you serve?'

Who do we serve; our families, friends, acquaintances, neighbours, our God? Whether we are the Prime Minister or anyone else, let truthfulness and honesty be the 'Order! Order!' of the day.

I am now going to do what David suggested - sit in the sunshine and dream – with the Pyrénées on the horizon. À bientôt!

Blessings, in Jesus' name, Sue – Pastoral Assistant

Pastoral Support

“Sometimes we just need someone to listen”



If you would like someone to talk to in person, or by telephone, the Benefice Pastoral Support Team are here for you. We will happily pray for you, or with you, if that is

what you would like us to do.

Call: 07437 544229 in confidence to speak to one of the team.

If there is no answer please leave your name and number. We will get back to you just as soon as we can. You can also contact us online here:
<https://unitedbenefice.church/contact-the-pastoral-support-team/>

Soup on Sunday at Coxheath church

hosted by Mothers' Union members at Holy Trinity, Coxheath, providing soup and fellowship for those in our community who might otherwise be on their own on a Sunday, and for anyone who wishes to come along. Please contact Lesley 07814 817204 or Mags 01622 297144 for more information

Prayer Chain

The Benefice has a prayer chain which prays confidentially for anyone who asks for prayer. The contact person for prayer requests or more information is Marian Simpson 743977

St Nicholas Church – the building

Quotations have now been received for the works to repair the north and south aisle ceilings, which the PCC will be considering.

For up to date details about benefice group meetings please contact the following people:

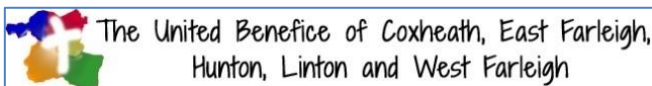
Children's Work	Becky Parnham 07949 646865
Men's Prayer Group	Mike Marsh 07595 428639
Ladies Prayer Group	Dawn Burnell 435882
Beacon Men	Steve Poole 297144
Mothers' Union	Margaret Poole 01622 297144
	Lesley Marsh 07814 817204

Revd. Lorna Faulkner, Assistant Curate 01622 439304

Revd. David Jones, Hon. Associate Rector 741474

Becky Parnham, Benefice Children & Families Worker

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