



St Nicholas Church Linton October 2022

Services in the Benefice

Sunday 2nd October

There will be no service at Linton.

9.30am Holy Communion at St Mary's Hunton

9.30am Morning Worship (Harvest) at East Farleigh

11am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity, Coxheath

Sunday 9th October

9.30am Morning Worship (Harvest) at Linton

9.30am Holy Communion at West Farleigh

11am Morning Worship at Coxheath

Saturday 15th October

3-5pm Messy Church at St Nicholas Linton.

Sunday 16th October

No service at Linton

9.30am Holy Communion at East Farleigh

9.30am Morning Worship (Harvest) at Hunton

11am Holy Communion at Coxheath

MONDAY 17TH OCTOBER

7pm The Institution by the Bishop of Tonbridge and Installation by the Archdeacon of Tonbridge of The Reverend Lorna Clair Faulkner to be Rector of the Benefice to be held at St Nicholas Linton.

Sunday 23rd October

9.30am Holy Communion at Linton

9.30am Morning Worship at West Farleigh

11am Morning Worship at Coxheath

Sunday 30th October

10.30am Benefice Communion at Hunton

2.30pm Remembering Service at West Farleigh

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>

Wednesday 26th October

12 noon Midweek Holy Communion in Linton followed by a light lunch of soup and a roll.

(Unfortunately the service on 28th September has been cancelled).

Tuesday 27th September & 27th October

10am – 12 noon

COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING in

Linton Church. 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 15th October

3 - 5pm Messy Church at St Nicholas Linton.

Contact Becky for more information: 07949 646865

Benefice Children & Families Worker

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

Please hold Lorna and the family in your prayers as they move to the Rectory and Lorna begins her new ministry in this place.

St Nicholas Church – The Building

The PCC have accepted a quotation from Allan Parkes Construction to repair and renovate the ceilings in the north and south aisles of the church. It is hoped the work will commence later in the autumn when scaffolding will be put in place. If you would like more detailed information about how we are funding this please speak to the churchwardens.

The oil fired heater has been serviced.

The floodlighting at the front of the church has been renovated by Linton Parish Council, with new LED spotlights, which give a beautiful light to the building.

Pastoral Letter from Becky

I'm writing this while the country is in a period of mourning for her late Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, but by the time you get to read it she will be buried and the country will be returned to whatever we consider to be normal.

Hopefully we'll have got into the habit of referring to Charles as King, rather than the 'pri...king' that we're managing at the moment. We'll have begun to see how he plans to rule, not only as the constitutional head of the country but as the supreme head of the Church of England. I don't know how long it will take the royal mint to begin to issue new coins with the kings face on, or how quickly the post office will issue stamps featuring King Charles but I think this time of readjustment will take a while to settle down, for us all to forget habits of decades and to confidently sing God save the King, especially as all these things don't tend to affect our lives on a daily basis. But we are human, and we are nothing if not adaptable!

I'm sure that when Lorna wrote her letter last month she had no idea how much of an adventure and a month of change this September would be! But October continues as a month of new beginnings for us here in the benefice as we look forward to welcoming Lorna into the permanent position as our new rector on the 17th of the month. In the past month she (and her family) will have moved into their new home and begun to work out what life in the rectory will look like. I'm sure they will receive much support, prayer and encouragement in this new chapter.

So October, for us here in the United Benefice of Coxheath, East Farleigh, Hunton, Linton and West Farleigh, will continue to be a time of change and adjustment, but one that we will embrace wholeheartedly, looking forward with positivity and trusting in our faith to help us when worries and anxieties threaten to overwhelm us. Following the example our late Queen set us which seems to me to be the most fitting tribute we can give.

God bless, Becky Children and Families' Worker

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/>

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

Volunteers needed!

Are you being called to spread the gospel message with local children and families? We're looking to grow our regular team of amazing people who volunteer across the range of clubs and activities that we offer across the benefice. If you think this may be you please contact Becky on 07949 646865 or email becky.thecat@btopenworld.com

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

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

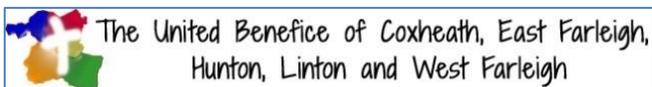
Children's Work	Becky Parnham 07949 646865
Men's Prayer Group	Mike Marsh 07595 428639
Ladies Prayer Group	Dawn Burnell 01622 435882
Beacon Men	Steve Poole 01622 297144
Mothers' Union	Margaret Poole 01622 297144
	Lesley Marsh 07814 817204

Revd. Lorna Faulkner, Rector designate 01622 439304

Revd. David Jones, Hon. Associate Rector 741474

Becky Parnham, Benefice Children & Families Worker

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