

June... month 6 of 12. And the gateway to summer, so it has been said. I am writing this on a(nother) chilly, wet day in the middle of May, and the promise of summer seems a long way off. I hope by the time you are reading this we have cast off the drizzle and the not-quite-warm-enough-to-leave-your-coat-off days and can shed our cardigans with joy and abandon and embrace some outdoor living instead of wondering if the heating will ever be turned off!

I sometimes feel like I am always waiting for something better to come – for the weather to warm up, for the days to get lighter, for the flowers to bloom. I struggle in winter, so I wait for the spring, but then spring goes on longer than I remember it does, so I yearn for the summer, and then as summer continues I start to think about autumn and jumpers and, before I know it, I'm waiting for Christmas then moaning about the winter again!

As I write to you, I feel a little voice (of course I believe it to be God...) exasperated and kind, saying 'Stop! Just stop... look around you. Take in what is here, in this moment. Be present in each day. Breathe.'

I wonder, as I continually wait for what's 'next', how much of the 'now' I am missing? What might happen if I just stopped to admire the view once in a while?

So, maybe that's a word for June – stop, slow down, look around, enjoy, relish what is, without rushing on to what is to come.

I hope I can take heed of that still, small voice I hear. I hope and pray I can stop, slow down, and live each day more fully aware of all that is contained in it - and that 30 days of June don't disappear in a blur of business and waiting for July...

And if you like the sound of that? Well, that is my hope and my prayer for you too.

Lorna

July News Letter If you have an item for the letter, please contact Marian on 743977 or david.marian@btinternet.com **BEFORE Wednesday 24th June**

Holy Trinity Church

June 2026



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| Sunday 7th June | Holy Communion | 2nd after Pentecost |
| 11.00am | | Led by: Rev Lorna Faulkner |
| | Hosea 5 v15 – 6v6, Romans 4 v13-end, Matthew 9 v9-13, 18-26 | |
| Sunday 14th June | Morning Worship | 3rd after Pentecost |
| 11.00am | | Led by: Rev Lorna Faulkner |
| | Readings: Exodus 19 v2-8a, <u>or</u> Romans 5 v1-8, Matthew 9 v35-10 v1-23 | |
| Sunday 21st June | Holy Communion | 4th after Pentecost |
| 11.00am | | Led by: Rev Lorna Faulkner |
| | Readings: Jeremiah 20 v7-13, Romans 6 v1b-11, Matthew 10 v24-39 | |
| Sunday 28th June | All Age Worship | 5th after Pentecost |
| 11.00am | | Led by: All Age Team |
| | Readings: Preachers Choice | |

Every Thursday 10am Holy Communion at Holy Trinity Coxheath

2nd Wednesday of the month 12 noon Holy Communion at Linton

To find out more information about our Benefice and Five Benefice Churches go to www.unitedbenefice.church

Contact Details

Rector Revd. Lorna Faulkner 01622 747570

Hon. Associate Rector Revd. David Jones 01622 741474

Benefice Safeguarding Officer - Margaret Poole 07729 176762

Diary Dates

Tuesdays at Holy Trinity Brew and a Bite

We are open during **school term times every Tuesday** 12 noon-6.30pm. From 5.00 – 6.30pm this is a time specifically for a youth group in school years 7 -13. There is no charge but you are invited to give a donation if you so wish.

Memory Café On the first Tuesday of the month Age UK are holding a Memory Café drop in gathering for tea and coffee between 1-3pm in the church. No need to book but if you would like more information please contact Tracy at Age UK on 01622 753618

Saturday 6th June 10am – 3.00pm Garden Open Day

Rochester Cathedral Garden and Orchard. This is a ticketed event so please find booking information and further details on the Cathedral website.

Saturday 13th June 10.00am – 12.00noon Holy Trinity Church Coffee

Morning at the Scout HQ, Westerhill Road Admission £1 includes free tea/coffee and biscuits.

Cakes, bric-a-Brac and cards for sale. There are usually members of the Parish Council to chat with. All welcome



Friday 19th June 6.15pm Beacon Men Our next event is Adventure Golf

at The Ridge Golf Course, Sutton Valence. Crazy Golf with a difference. 12 places available, more if needed. Come and have a go. To book in, contact Mike on 07595 428639 or email : beaconmen.coxheath@gmail.com Event leaflets at the back of church.

Saturday 20th June 2.30 – 5.00pm Linton's famous Strawberry Cream Teas

In St Nicholas Church Linton. Fresh Linton Strawberries, homemade jam, homemade cakes. Weather permitting we hope to set up outside the church. Come and soak up the atmosphere in and around our lovely church.

Tuesday 30th June 10.00am – 12noon

Community Coffee Morning at St Nicholas, Linton. All Welcome

[Other News and Information](#)

[PCC Meetings and Minutes](#)

If you are interested in the workings of the PCC and the things that are discussed copies of the minutes are displayed at the rear of the Church. If you would like any further details from the individual reports that are referred to please contact Helen Gregson, PCC Secretary 01622 741501

[Group Details](#)

Children's Work - Becky Parnham 07949 646865

Brew and a Bite and Youth Group – Jen Tobin

Men's Prayer Group – Mike Marsh 07595 428639

Ladies Prayer Group – Dawn

Beacon Men – Steve Poole 07904 212245

Mothers' Union – Margaret Poole or Lesley Marsh

Benefice Safeguarding Officer - Margaret Poole 07729 176762

[A message from our church treasurer](#)

Holy Trinity Church continues to be incredibly grateful for the generosity and support of our congregation. Every gift, large or small, helps us continue the work and ministry of the church within our community.

Your giving directly supports many important areas of church life including our outreach activities such as Brew and a Bite, our Children and Families ministry, Lorna's salary, as well as the day-to-day running costs of the church including heating, lighting and maintaining our buildings.

There are several ways to give. Donations can be made through one-off gifts at services, weekly giving envelopes, standing order, or by using the contactless card device available at the back of church.

Thank you once again for your continued kindness and support — it truly makes a difference and enables Holy Trinity to remain a welcoming and active church at the heart of our community.

For any help or further information about giving or Gift Aid, please contact Tim Gregson, Holy Trinity Church Treasurer, on 01622 741501.

[Rotas – Holiday Dates](#)

Will anyone who is on the 'Services Rota' and will be on holiday or not available during the next few months please let Sandra Baker 745264 know so that you are not put on the rota during that time. Many thanks

[Supporting the work of Restored](#)

Thank you to all those who donated at this Giving Sunday. £250 was raised which included a donation from church funds.

| | Benefice Services 9.30am | |
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| Sunday 7th June | East Farleigh Hunton | Morning Worship Holy Communion |
| Sunday 14th June | West Farleigh Linton | Holy Communion Morning Worship |
| Sunday 21st June | East Farleigh Hunton | Holy Communion Family Service |
| Sunday 28th June | West Farleigh Linton | Morning Worship Holy Communion |