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15th September Newsletter  
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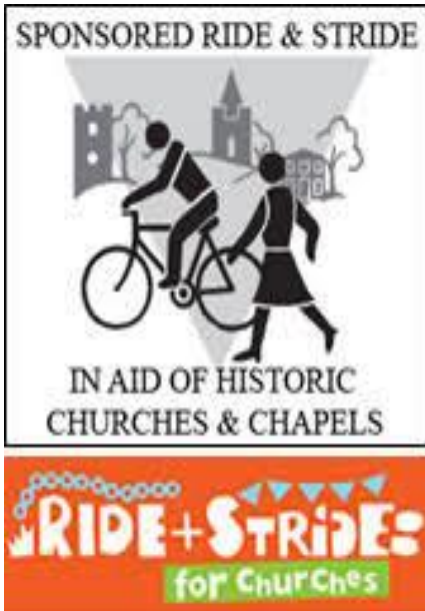
### SEPTEMBER

Sunday 15 <sup>th</sup>	11am	Holy Communion
Sunday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	11am	Morning Praise
<b>Sunday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>11am</b>	

Holy Communion at St Laurence Church Guestling

### OCTOBER

Sunday 6 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Harvest Service
Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Morning Praise



### Saturday 14<sup>th</sup>

Why not get out and about and support your local churches during the yearly ride and stride.

for more information including sponsor forms click on the link below

[https://www.sussexhistoricchurchestrust.org.uk/sussex\\_ride\\_and\\_stride.html](https://www.sussexhistoricchurchestrust.org.uk/sussex_ride_and_stride.html)

### MacMillan Coffee Morning

at Café Refresh on **Thursday, 19 September from 10.30 am at St Peter's Church Centre.** All welcome. Home-made cakes, scones, sausage rolls as well as a good selection of paperbacks.

**Please support this important charity.**



### THE BIBLE COURSE

You are invited to join a new course which aims to give an overview of the Bible in eight weeks. It involves video presentations and a chance to discuss the content. It will start on Wednesday 18 September at 3pm. Each person needs a course book which needs ordering in advance. If you would like to join the group or have any questions, please email [valeriehornsby22@gmail.com](mailto:valeriehornsby22@gmail.com).



**Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October**  
at 12.30 For 1pm  
~ Harvest Lunch ~  
St Peter's Church Fairlight



## **BROADLANDS ORCHARD TRUST** Oasis for Christian refreshment and growth

Broadlands Orchard is a special place of quiet beauty. A country home situated on a hill near Brede, East Sussex, not far from the historic towns of Rye and Hastings.

Converted for use as a self-catering retreat whilst maintaining the feeling of a private home, it has been used by Christian groups and families for well over thirty years as a place for spiritual refreshment and growth.

Click on the link below for website and more details:

<https://www.broadlandsorchard.org.uk/welcome.htm>

Broadlands Orchard Trust  
Stubb Lane, Brede,  
nr Rye, East Sussex  
TN31 6BS

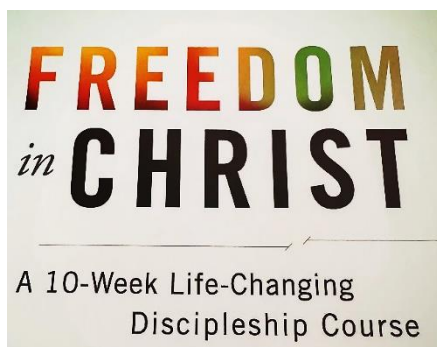


**Alone on Sundays?** A number of us go home to an empty house on Sundays after church.

It can be a lonely time.

If you would like to join with others in the same situation for a monthly Sunday lunch and some company in the afternoon, please tell Valerie Hornsby who will coordinate this.

Email: [valeriehornsby22@gmail.com](mailto:valeriehornsby22@gmail.com)



### HOUSEGROUP

**Starting September 2nd to the end of November.**

The Fairlight Lodge house-group will be meeting at St Peter's Church from September 2nd until the end of November at 10am-1pm on Monday mornings. They will be studying a course called FREEDOM IN CHRIST. This is all about how we can become all that God intends us to be. This course will help you to grasp the amazing truth of your identity in Christ, move on. Do come and join us.

### Rwanda support

Bishop Ken Barham's latest project is to build houses for pastors in Rwanda, a place where the church is growing. Thank you for supporting his stall at ST Andrew's recently which raised £94 towards a pastor's house in Cyanguu. A house costs just £15,000 and the hope is to build five more!

+Ken says his chief fundraiser (wife Jill) is now in heaven but he is continuing the work and would value our support.

There will be a fund-raising lunch at the White Hart in Guestling (TN35 4LW) on **Monday 21 October**. These lunches are really worthwhile as you can hear more about the work, meet other local Christians and have a good meal too.

The cost is £20 per person, of which half goes to pay for the two-course meal with coffee, and half to the Rwanda mission. To reserve your place, please email [bishopken@btinternet.com](mailto:bishopken@btinternet.com)

+ Ken writes, "If you can join us, it would be a great pleasure and encouragement."

**Dementia**  
friendly **church**

DEMENTIA FRIENDLY SERVICE

at St Andrew's Fairlight

At the PCC meeting last Monday, the possibility of holding a monthly Dementia Service was discussed. This would take place on either a Tuesday or Thursday afternoon. We need to set up a small team. If you would like to be part of the team, which would include providing refreshments and leading the service let Jayne know.

[paforfgw@gmail.com](mailto:paforfgw@gmail.com)

**UPDATE** Chichester Cathedral will unveil special plans to mark two important anniversaries coming up next year. In 2025, Sussex will celebrate the Christian faith, marking the 950th anniversary of the Diocese of Chichester and Chichester Cathedral, as well as the 1700th anniversary of when the Nicene Creed first emerged.

2025 also marks the 1700th anniversary of the Council of Nicaea which resulted in the Nicene Creed emerging - a document still recited by Christians summarising the essence of what they believe. A wide range of events celebrating both anniversaries are in the process of being organised. There is also a request from the cathedral asking our church communities to get involved in creating a journey through time - to capture the essence of the cathedral's 950 years of Christian Faith. These special events will be on the newsletter in the coming weeks and months. **As a taster until more information is announced the celebrations under the banner of Chichester950 will include:**



- **Religion, Revolution & Reformation, 14th February – 15th November 2025:** An interactive exhibition sharing the story of the Christian faith in Sussex, revealed through people, events and objects, from 1075 to the present day;
- **Together in Unity, 17th May 2025:** A concert on the 60th anniversary of Leonard Bernstein's *Chichester Psalms*, including the unveiling of a new musical composition;
- **TrinityFest on the Green, 15th June 2025:** Marking the Feast of the Holy Trinity, to which the Cathedral is dedicated, with a vibrant celebration uniting Chichester communities over food, music, and culture, on the Cathedral Green;
- **Light Show, 24th - 31st October 2025:** An immersive fine art, light and sound installation taking place over October Half Term, responding to the 950-year history of the Cathedral.

To read the latest edition of Faith in Sussex click the link above



## There is still time to respond to This is our faith Questionnaire

**2025** marks the 950th anniversary of the move of Christian mission in this diocese from Selsey to Chichester. This gives us an opportunity to say something about who we are as the inheritors in the 21st century of this great momentum of Christian witness and faith. You are encouraged to respond to [four questions](#) about what your faith means to you, in whatever way you wish. We would prefer succinct authenticity to a lengthy sermon! **The deadline for responses is 31st September 2024.** **To respond click on the four questions link above.** There is an invitation to send us photographs that illustrate the diversity of our diocesan life and context. Details about that are attached. (Emailed separately with this newsletter – please ensure you have permission if any image is of an identifiable person/s).

This will be a record of what our Church is like today: we hope and pray that it will also encourage us to look to the future with hope and confidence in the abiding purposes of God's plan for salvation and glory for his children. + Martin Warner

*Café Refresh*

**2024**

19th SEPTEMBER  
17<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER  
21<sup>st</sup> NOVEMBER  
19<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER

St Peter's Church Centre,  
corner of Waites Lane  
& Broadway.

3rd Thursday of every month  
drop in between 10.30 am - 12noon

Drinks, homemade cakes, chat, books,  
& helpful information.  
Bring a friend.

*On behalf of the churches in Fairlight*

**EVERYONE WELCOME**

Parish Administrator Jayne Stevens – my working days 2.30pm-6pm on Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday and all-day Thursday 9am-5pm. If you need to contact me, 07539 652 000 - my email address is: paforfgw@gmail.com If at any time you would like to be removed from the mailing list in line with 'GDPR' let me know.

If you have a contribution for the newsletter, please contact me by midday on Thursday. Thank you, Jayne.

If you know anyone who might like to receive the newsletter, please ask them to email me.

or contact me via the website: [www.fairlightchurches.org.uk](http://www.fairlightchurches.org.uk)