

NOTICES & NEWS

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Worship in Church and Online Preachers and readings for Sunday 1st February 2026

Micah 6: 1--8;

Psalms 15;

1 Corinthians 1: 18-31;

Matthew 5: 1-12

Worship in Church: 10.30am

*(Sunday Fun sessions are on the 2nd & 4th
 Sunday each month at 10.30am)*

1st Feb Rev John McNeill

8th Feb Rev Barry Bishop HC

15th Feb Rev Martin Turner

22nd Feb Liz Ledger

Flowers in Church for this Sunday
 have been kindly provided by
 Mrs & Mrs E Pugh

Weekly Programme

Monday:

Badminton Club 9.30-11.30am

Carers Coffee Morning 10.30-11.30am
 (3rd Mon)

Friendship Club (2nd Mon) 2.30pm

BB&GA Anchors/Juniors 5.30-8.00pm
 (termtime)

Welcome Cafe (termtime) 5.30-8.15pm

Monday Makers 7.30-9.30pm

Tuesday:

JellyTotz 10-11.30am
 Parents & Toddlers (termtime)

Men's Social (2nd Tue) 10-12noon

The Chosen (Study Group) 2-4pm

Step'n'Style (termtime) 4-8.30pm

Wednesday:

Welcome Cafe 10-12noon

Welcome Garden 10-12noon

Supastrikers (termtime) 1.30-2.15pm

Thursday:

Welcome Cafe 10 - 12noon

Craft Group 10 - 12noon

BB&GA Company 7-10.00pm
 (termtime)

Friday:

Friday Lunch Club 2nd&4th Fri

Saturday:

Welcome Cafe 10-12noon
 (1st & 3rd of month)

Foodbank – The collection crate is
 available in the church entrance.

Church & PFA Events 2025/26

Feb 14th

Jigsaw Sale – 10am-1pm

May 16th

Plant Sale

June 13th

Model Railway Show

You may have seen this in the Welcome Café on the tables.
 We thought it was worth repeating here.....

Hold on to Hope

We must accept finite disappointment,

But we must never lose infinite hope.

*Only in this way shall we live without the
 fatigue of bitterness and the drain of
 resentment*

Martin Luther King, Jr

The Chosen Study Group

We will begin our study of Season 5 on **Tuesday
 3rd February at 2pm in the Lounge.**

This will cover the period between Palm Sunday and the Last
 Supper, preparing us for Season 6: The Crucifixion and
 Season 7: The Resurrection.

Chronologically, it fits perfectly because the 8 weeks take us
 up to the Tuesday before Holy Week.

All are welcome to join us, even if you haven't followed the
 previous sessions.

Gary Hunter – New Appointment

You will all know that, over the last year or so, we have been looking to fill the new role of Local Lay Pastor. Gary was offered the position and took up his post on 1st January.

You may have previously seen him in church as he, and his wife Sharon, have been worshipping with us for some time now.

He has already visited many of the groups within the church, however, if you have not had a chance to meet him personally, please approach him at any time and particularly over coffee after the Sunday Service.

We welcome you to our church and look forward to working with you, Gary.

Here is a bit of background from Gary:

New Lay Worker – Hucclecote Methodist Church

Thank you for the warm welcome we have already received. I have been asked to share a brief introduction.

*My name is **Gary Hunter**, and my wife **Sharon** and I recently moved from **Cape Town, South Africa**, to be closer to our three sons—two living in Gloucester/Cheltenham and one in the London area. We are also blessed with four granddaughters.*

I have been a lifelong Methodist and am passionate about teaching the Word of God and helping others apply it in their daily lives. I enjoy sport, particularly cricket, rugby, and cycling, while Sharon is creative and loves gardening. We have been married for more than 40 years and enjoy doing as much as we can together.

A few small details about me:

- *My favourite colour is **yellow**.*
- *My favourite songs include *Ten Thousand Reasons* (Matt Redman), *And Can It Be* (Charles Wesley), and *As the Deer* (Marty Nystrom), each reflecting different aspects of my faith journey.*
- *I enjoy studying and am currently exploring maths, languages and chess.*
- *We also share our home with two much-loved dogs: Busta, our gentle old soul, and Oreo, our energetic youngster.*
- *I write a daily journal (Activities and Christian experiences)*
- *I have run many different Christian courses and I am also a Local Preacher with the Methodist Church of South Africa*

I look forward to getting to know you all and welcome any opportunity to chat.

Water Aid

During 2025 Hucclecote Methodist Church Monday Makers has sent £3870 to WaterAid. An amazing amount which has been hugely appreciated by the charity. This has been raised by selling cards, crafts, framed pictures and jigsaws.

Thank you to all who have helped raise the money.

Confirmation of Funeral arrangements

Here are the funeral arrangements for Len & Maureen:

Len:
 11.30am Thursday 5th Feb
 Service at HMC
 Wake Pineholt Bowls Club
 3.30pm Crematorium

Maureen: Friday 6th Feb
 11.00am Crematorium (family & close friends)
 12.00am Service HMC
 Wake Bowden Hall
 (All are welcome to the service of celebration
 and also to join the family at Bowden Hall)

Bring and Buy Charity Jigsaw Puzzle Sale

Saturday February 14th
 10am-1pm

Free entry

Loads of jigsaws
 for sale at
 bargain prices

Coffee and cake

Hucclecote Methodist Church
 Carisbrooke Road, GL3 3QP

The poster has a yellow background with a blue wavy border at the bottom. At the top left is the 'fik' logo in a red circle, followed by 'HOLIDAY CLUB' in orange. The main title 'SHIPWRECKED' is written in large, white, block letters on a brown, weathered wooden plank. Below this, a smaller wooden plank reads 'a holiday club in Jonah'. The plank is decorated with a red rope, green leaves, a seashell, a red crab, and a smiling orange starfish. The text on a white scroll in the center reads: 'Hillview Church, Hucclecote invites children in Reception to Year 6 to a fun packed holiday club. Wednesday 18th February – Friday 20th February 10am – 12.15pm'. Below this, it says 'For further details and to book a place go to: https://hillview.churchsuite.com/events/jkxc9trp or scan this QR code'. A QR code is located to the right of the text. At the bottom left is the 'hillview church' logo, and at the bottom center is the 'faith in kids' logo.

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