

BUXTED METHODIST NEWSLETTER

British Summer Time ends, so the clocks go back, on Sunday 25th October.

All Hallows Eve – Saturday, 31st October

The regular Sunday Morning Service at 10.30am, will be led as shown below:

October Services 2026

4 th	Cathy Agius	Local Preacher	
11 th	Rev Sheila Foreman	Minister	Holy Communion
18 th	Rev Andy Melvin	Minister	(followed by Church Council)
25 th	Deacon Vicky Welsh	Minister	

November Services 2026

1 st	Mrs Pat Oakley	Local Preacher	
8 th	Rev Andy Melvin	Minister	Remembrance Sunday
15 th	Mr Stuart Dew	URC Local Preacher	
22 nd	Local Arrangement		
29 th	Rev Andy Melvin	Minister	Holy Communion

An evening service (6:00 PM via Zoom), normally hosted by Rev Barbara Evans-Routley, will continue to be broadcast throughout 2026.

Activity Dates for October and November 2026

5 th	October	2:00 PM	Emmaus
10 th	October	10:30 AM	Coffee Morning
10 th	October	2:00 PM	Art Group
18 th	October	12 noon	Church Council
28 th	October	10:30 AM	POP-IN
2 nd	November	2:00 PM	Emmaus
14 th	November	10.30 AM	Coffee Morning
14 th	November	2:00 PM	Art Group
25 th	November	10.30 AM	POP-IN

Art Group

The theme for October will be **WATER**.

Church Council

Our next Church Council Meeting will be after the morning service on 18th October. Everyone is very welcome to attend, but only church members are able to vote.

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Harvest

The Chapel looked wonderful and the lunch was enjoyed by all who attended.

Packaged food items will be donated to the food bank.

Monies raised from the lunch will go to the Methodist Relief Fund, All We Can.

Thank you to all who contributed in so many different ways.

Fish and Chip Supper

The United Church at Crowborough is inviting friends to join them for a Fish and Chip supper, with entertainment, as an alternative to Halloween on Saturday, 31st October at 7pm. For more details please see the poster in the hall.

When I say I am a Christian –

When I say ... “I am a Christian”
I’m not shouting “I’m clean livin’.”
I’m whispering “I was lost,
Now I’m found and forgiven.”

When I say ... “I am a Christian”
I don’t speak of this with pride.
I’m confessing that I stumble
And need Christ to be my guide.

When I say ... “I am a Christian”
I’m not trying to be strong.
I’m professing that I’m weak
And need His strength to carry on.

When I say ... “I am a Christian”
I’m not bragging of success.
I’m admitting that I’ve failed
And need God to clean my mess.

When I say ... “I am a Christian”
I’m not claiming to be perfect,
My flaws are far too visible
But, God believes I am worth it.

When I say ... “I am a Christian”
I still feel the sting of pain.
I have my share of heartaches
So I call upon his name.

When I say ... “I am a Christian”
I’m not holier than Thou,
I’m just a simple sinner
Who received God’s good grace,
somehow.

Maya Angelou