

BUXTED METHODIST CHURCH

The regular Sunday Morning Services, held at Buxted, will be led as shown below:

March Services 2025

2 nd	10:30	Christine Sweet	Local Preacher	
9 th	10:30	Rev Sheila Foreman	Minister	Holy Communion
16 th	10:30	Rev Andy Melvin	Minister	
23 rd	10:30	Wendy Parker	Local Preacher	
30 th	10:30	Steward		

April Services 2025

6 th	10:30	Stuart Dew	Local Preacher	
13 th	10:30	Rev Sheila Foreman	Minister	Palm Sunday
17 th	19:00	Rev Andy Melvin	Minister	Maundy Thursday
20 th	10:30	Rev Andy Melvin	Minister	Easter Sunday with Holy Communion
27 th	10:30	Steward		

An evening service (6:00 PM via Zoom), normally hosted by Rev Barbara Evans-Routley, will continue to be broadcast throughout 2025.

Activity Dates for March 2025 and April 2025

3 rd	March	2:00 PM	Emmaus
8 th	March	10:30 AM	Coffee Morning
8 th	March	2:00 PM	Art Group – Spring Time
10 th	March	2:00 PM	Lent Group 1
16 th	March	11:45 AM	Spring Church Council (following morning service)
17 th	March	2:00 PM	Lent Group 2
24 th	March	2:00 PM	Lent Group 3
26 th	March	10:30 AM	POP-IN
31 st	March	2:00 PM	Lent Group 4
7 th	April	2:00 PM	Lent Group 5
12 th	April	10:30 AM	Coffee Morning in conjunction with the Book Sale
30 th	April	10:30 AM	POP-IN

Notable Dates

5th March – Ash Wednesday; 1st day of Lent

17th March - St. Patrick's Day

20th March – First Day of Spring

30th March – Mothering Sunday; British Summer Time begins

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Art Group

The theme for March will be 'Spring Time'. The Art Group will not meet in April but will resume in May.

Spring Church Council

The Spring Church Council Meeting will be held following the morning service on Sunday 16th March. Please contact the Church Council Secretary if any items need to be added to the agenda.

Quiet Day

There will be a quiet day on Tuesday 4th March at the United Church, Crowborough from 10.00 - 3.30 as we prepare for Lent. There will be a simple lunch. If you would like to come, please Email Rev Sheila Foreman (sheila_foreman@btinternet.com) so that she will know how many to cater for.

Ash Wednesday

There will be an Ash Wednesday Service at United Church, Crowborough at 2.30 on Wednesday 5th March. All are welcome to attend.

Emmaus

Emmaus will not meet in April as this will be the final meeting of the Lent Group.

Lent Group (Buxted Methodist Church)

Christine Sweet will lead a group starting **Monday 10th March (2pm -3.30pm)** for 5 weeks. The Topic - either '**Becoming Church**' exploring the life of the early church as depicted in Acts, or '**Followers of Jesus**' meeting 5 people who encountered Jesus and exploring the effect that encounter had on them. A synopsis is available for majority choice. The course, which comes as a pdf download (names and email addresses to me), can be printed out for those without email. Please let Christine know if you would like to attend (07732 249407) and whether you need a printout.

Giant Book Sale

The annual Giant Book Sale will be held, in conjunction with the monthly coffee morning, on Saturday 12th April. All donations of books and puzzles are welcome. Please either bring to the church beforehand or phone Chris – 01825 733098 who can arrange to pick up if required. A light lunch will be served from 11:30.

Cherry Tree

The Cherry Tree in the church garden has had a 'trim' to see if this helps it's growth in the spring. If you remember, during early summer last year it was shedding a lot of leaves. The trim may revive it or it may be deemed to be near its 'end of life'.

Church Decoration

The painting of the lobby, toilets and kitchen is now complete. It is so much brighter than it was. Hopefully everything is back in place now.