

Next week – 26th July 2026

Cleaning: Yvonne
JAM: JAM resumes in September
Coffee: Pauline M & Pauline G
Music: Justin

Services Sunday 26th July 2026

10.00am **Morning Prayer**
Leading: Ross Terranova
Reading: Judith Boarer Amos 9: 11-15
Praying: Ross Terranova
Preaching: Giles Williams

6.30pm **Evening Prayer**
Leading: Carol Wellbelove
Reading: Kathy Mitchell Mark 6:14-29
Praying: Chris Williams
Preaching: Ross Terranova

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Prayer Themes for the Week

Please pray for all those involved in summer camps and beach missions where children and young people can hear the good news about Jesus.

Pray that we may know as a church the presence of the living God in our midst - and that we may see many people coming to a living faith in Jesus Christ.

Pray for all those who are continuing to bring aid and help to those affected by the earthquake in Venezuela.

Mission (Tearfund)

'This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.'
(1 John 4:10)

Tearfund talks a lot about 'where love leads' and their mission statement to 'follow Jesus where the need is greatest' is related.

It's about how we care for, support and act towards one another because of the faith we profess and the example set by the Saviour we follow.

This verse in 1 John reminds us of one very important thing. This love, inspiring us to do and act, is not something that starts with us. In its first instance, love is what we have received.

And the evidence of the level of love we have received is explained in the same verse: it is the sacrifice of God's only Son.

Let us remember this in our prayers this week for Tearfund's work.

Collect

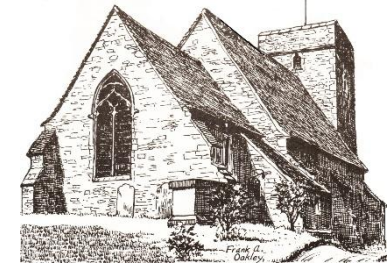
Generous God,
you give us gifts and make them grow:
though our faith is small as mustard seed,
make it grow to your glory
and the flourishing of your kingdom;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Thought for the Week

*And the Lord asked me, "What do you see Amos?"
"A plumb line" I replied.*

Amos 7 v7

St. Peter's Church



Welcome

'We are here to demonstrate God's love for all as shown in Jesus to people where we live and work.'

Services Today 19th July 2026
Seventh Sunday After Trinity

10.00am **Holy Communion**
Leading: Giles Williams
Reading: Ian Smith Amos 7: 1-9, p.923
Praying: Pauline Matthews
Preaching: Ross Terranova

6.30pm **Evening Prayer**
Leading: Chris Williams
Reading: Simon Webley Mark 6: 1-13, p.1008
Praying: Pauline Grimes
Preaching: Julien Myles

Welcome to Our Services Today

This morning, we continue with our series on the book of Amos and our theme is "The Plumb Line" from chapter 7.
It's a challenging chapter and image! The plumb line against a wall in this vision illustrates divine judgment.

Just as builders use the tool for perfect alignment, the Lord measures Israel's moral and spiritual life against his standard. God's justice and his word remain an unwavering measure for our lives today - the plumb line image is one asking us to examine our spiritual foundations on a daily basis.

In the evening, we have reached Mark 6 and our theme is "Driven by rejection" as Jesus goes back to his home town and finds he is rejected there!

Summer Services

We are having a number of visiting speakers over August in our morning services. We are delighted to welcome back again *Rev Rachael Knapp*, who is Chaplain at Bennett Memorial School, and *Canon John Salter*. We also welcome, later in August, the *Ven Nick Cornell*, Archdeacon of Tonbridge who is with us on August 23rd.

In the evening, as we have done now for a number of years, we will be showing sermons from different preachers downloaded and watched on our screen.

Diary for w/c 19th July at St Peter's Church

Mon

9.30 and 11am – **Junior School End of Year Service** – Church

2pm – **Pre-school Service** - Church

7pm – **Prayer @ 7** – The Golding Room

Mon-Thurs

9.00am – 3.30pm – **Pre School** – Church Centre Church

Wed

9.30am -11.00am - **Crafty Coffee** - Golding Room

Thurs

7.30pm – **Small Group** – Brampton Field

Gift Day

Thank you very much for your continuing response to our Gift Day. So far, the total is £5,800.00 but we anticipate and pray that there may be more donations in the next couple of weeks. A huge thank you to everyone who has given so far.

June News From The Tomalins (Crosslinks)

Adam has had the privilege of wrapping up the semester at Edgewood Campus with a few meaningful one-to-ones with students who want to learn more about the Jesus-shaped God from scripture. Nomfundo has submitted her last assignment for her BTH (Hons) in Christian Counselling Degree. The last assignment was facilitating an in-person workshop with Christian men and women, exploring their Christian identity and how that impacts their immediate community.

Food Bank

St Peter's Church now supports the foodbank run by Larkfield Community Church.

Thank you so much for your generous donations to the Larkfield Foodbank.

The next collection date will be Sunday 30th Aug.

Please bring your donations to church on or before that date. Many thanks.

To access the food bank, please email:

foodbank@larkfieldcommunitychurch.co.uk

Invitation To David Pearce's Birthday Tea

David's daughter, Alison, would like to invite everyone to David's 95th birthday tea on *15th August at 35 Priory Grove*. Drop in between 2 and 4pm.

Do please let us know if you are coming by 31st July so we can arrange catering.

RSVP Alison 07507 094 606

Heritage Centre Open Day

There is an Open Day ***today*** across the road in the Heritage Centre, beside the Church Centre. It runs from 10am till 3pm so there is plenty of time to pay a visit after church and coffee and see the interesting displays.

Reading/ Praying/ Coffee Rotas

Carolyn will soon be drawing up new rotas for September to December. If you have not yet heard know any particular requests and know of holidays/time away you have planned, please email the church office as soon as possible. Thank you.

Office Hours This Week

The Church Office will be **open on Monday 20th and Tuesday 21st, 9am-3pm.**

Please note that the office will be **closed on Wednesday 22nd July.**