



Kelvedon
United Reformed Church
89 High Street
Kelvedon CO5 9AE
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Notices and News for
October 2026



Message from The Elders

"Whilst the Church is in vacancy, it is important that we carry on as normal, even though we are without a Minister. If anyone has a concern and feels that they need to talk with someone about their concern, please speak to any of the Elders or if it is a Safeguarding issue to Emma, our Safeguarding Officer.

When I say a concern it can be anything ranging from problems with the premises to personal issues that are causing you apprehension."

Tuesday Lunches

"Due to unforeseen circumstances, we have regrettably had to suspend our popular Tuesday Lunches on the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month until further notice.

We will still be open for Teas, Coffee and Refreshments on all Tuesdays of the month. We do hope to be able to restart our Tuesday Lunches if we can find suitable volunteers to help with the preparing and cooking.

If you know of anyone who would like to volunteer to help cook and prepare the meals please contact our Church Secretary or one of our Church Elders."

Fundraising & The Church Windows Project - Work to replace the Sanctuary and the Front Vestibule windows will be taking place over the next 2 to 3 months. Our contractor will do their best to cause as little disruption as possible to our Sunday services and to other users of the Sanctuary.

As you may know, we are trying to raise funds to help with the replacement of the church windows.

Autumn Fayre: We will be holding an Autumn Fayre on **Saturday 17th October 2026** between 10:00am and 3:00pm. If anyone wishes to help and be involved or to have a Stall/Table please contact Anne Tremain on 07983 394416. More details to follow.

Christmas Carol Singing: We have been invited to sing **Christmas Carols at The Tavern Christmas Market** on Tuesday 24th November at 6:00pm. Please come and join us and sing your hearts out.

"A CHRISTMAS CAROL by CANDLELIGHT" Neil Peacock has arranged for Anthony Roberts from Colchester Arts Centre to perform the classic **"A CHRISTMAS CAROL" Charles Dickens by CANDLELIGHT** in the church on **Saturday 28th November @ 6:00pm**. Tickets £8, Under 16's £4. Please come along and help support the project and listen to this superb production. See the Poster for more details, tickets can be booked online or at the door. Seating is limited to 100 so book early.

Christmas Candle Lit Carol Service:

Our Carol Service this year will be on Sunday 13th Dec at 6:30pm.

Colne Valley Primary Care Network - Cancer Support Group: Are you seeking a supportive community to share experiences, gain strength and find comfort? Our Cancer Support Group provides a safe and welcome space for all those affected by Cancer, whether you are newly diagnosed, undergoing treatment or in remission. This group is open to everyone on their cancer journey. No booking required, just turn up. 1st Monday of every Month. **October** - 5th October 1:00-3:00pm. **November** - 2nd November 1:00-3:00pm. **December** - 7th December 1:00-3:00pm.

Kelvedon & Feering Health & Wellbeing Coffee Morning.- A Health & Wellbeing Coffee Morning will be held on the last Wednesday of each month between 8:30am-11:00am in the main hall. For more details see the poster on the Noticeboard. **October 28th October, November 25th & December 30th.**

Regular Events:

1st Monday of each month: Colne Valley Primary Care are hosting a Cancer Support Group 1:00pm - 3:00pm. **October** - 5th October 1:00-3:00pm & **November** - 2nd November 1:00-3:00pm.

Mondays: House Group: The House Group meet every Monday from 10:30 to 12:00 in the rooms at the back of the Church for a time of Bible Study followed by prayers/prayer requests.

Tuesdays: - 9.15 - Lunchtime: Weekly maintenance at the Church. If you can lend a hand, please do just come along. For more information, please contact Trevor Andrews.

Tuesday: Place of Welcome: 10:00am to 12:00: Place of Welcome will continue every Tuesday. Please come along for a friendly chat a cuppa and a biscuit in a warm friendly place. Please contact Lea Finch 07914 238456 for more details.

Tuesday: Stretch & Glow: Chair based exercises to help keep you fit and trim. Everyone is welcome. Contact Andrea Wash for more details.

Thursday: - Little Lambs: Little Lambs meet every Thursday during School term time 10:30 - 12:00 in the church, contact Lynn Hyde 07896 190288.

Church Services for October, November & December 2026

All Services start at 10:30 am unless otherwise stated.

Date	Worship Leaders	Duty Elder	Door Duty	Refreshments	Piano
4th Oct - Communion	Trevor Andrews	Trevor Andrews	Ruby	George & Gwyn	Neil
11th Oct	Penny Bloom	Jeremy Greenhalgh	Tina	Eileen & Jeremy	Neil
18th Oct	Jim Hyde	Neil Peacock	Lynn	Jim & Lynn	Neil
25th Oct- British Summer Time Ends	Jim Hyde	Lynn Hyde	Lynn	Jim & Lynn	Barrie
1st Nov- Communion	Richard Hadfield	John Loy	Ruby	Anne & Keith	Barrie
8th Nov- Remembrance Sunday	Charles Martin	Jeremy Greenhalgh		Janet Davies & Christine	Barrie
15th Nov	Trevor Andrews	Trevor Andrews	Tina	George & Gwyn	Neil
22nd Nov- Church Meeting after Morning Service	Jim Hyde	Jim Hyde	Lynn	Jim & Lynn	Neil
29th Nov- 1st Sunday in Advent	Gill Heathcote	Lynn Hyde			Barrie
6th Dec - Communion	Trevor Andrews	Neil Peacock	Ruby	Anne & Keith	Neil
13th Dec - Morning Service	Mike Shelbourne	Lynn Hyde		Eileen & Jeremy	Barrie
13th Dec - Candlelit Carol Service @ 6:30pm					Neil
20th Dec	Richard Hadfield	Jeremy Greenhalgh		George & Gwyn	Barrie
25th Dec - Christmas Day @ 10:00am	Jim Hyde	Janet Davies			Neil
27th Dec	Trevor Andrews	Trevor Andrews		Janet D & Christine	Neil
3rd Jan 2027- Communion	Trevor Andrews	Lea Finch			Neil

Elders Meetings

Tuesdays @ 7:30pm

17th Nov 2026

Church Meetings on Sundays after Morning Service

unless otherwise advised.

22nd Nov 2026

Dates and times for Elders and Church Meetings subject to change

Any items for inclusion in the Agenda for the Church Meeting to be given/sent to Neil or Trevor please.

Contact Details for Elders and Safeguarding Representative:

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Lea Finch - leafinch64@gmail.com - 07914 238456

Lynn Hyde - lynnhyde6@gmail.com - 07896 190288

Janet Davies - janetdavies177@btinternet.com - 07900 213833

Future Events

Place of Welcome - Tuesday

OCT- 6th Oct, 13th Oct, 20th Oct, 27th Oct.

NOV - 3rd Nov, 10th Nov, 17th Nov, 24th Nov.

DEC - 8th Dec, 15th Dec, 22nd Dec, 29th Dec.

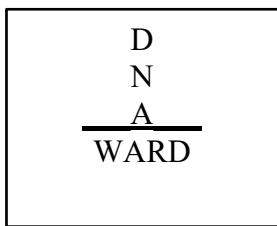
Other Notable Dates

5th Oct - Cancer Support Group, 15th Oct-Public Meeting re Kings Dene 5,000+ Houses, 17th Oct - Autumn Fayre. 25th Oct - British Summer Time Ends, 28th Oct- Health & Wellbeing Coffee Morning.
2nd Nov- Cancer Support Group, 8th Nov- Remembrance Sunday, 17th Nov-Elders Meeting, 22nd Nov-Church Meeting, 24th Nov-Carol Singing at The Tavern, 25th Nov- Health & Wellbeing Coffee Morning, 28th Nov- A Christmas Carol by Candlelight Concert, 29th Nov- 1st Sunday of Advent.
7th Dec - Cancer Support Group, 13th Dec-Candlelit Carol Service, 25th Dec- Christmas Day, 26th Dec - Boxing Day, 28th Dec - Bank Holiday, 30th Dec- Health & Wellbeing Coffee Morning,

And now for something completely different

Dingbats

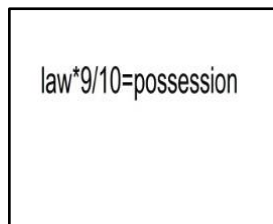
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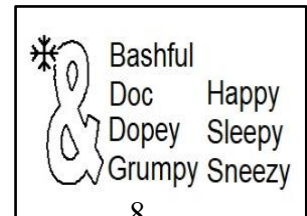
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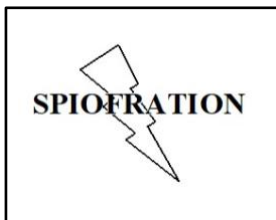
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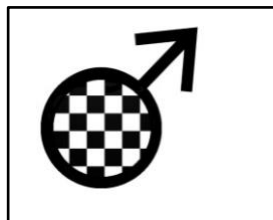
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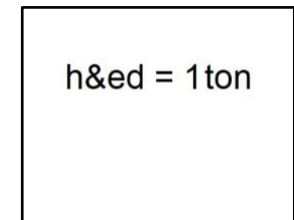
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Newsletter Smiles

Eponymous Laws and Principles

- [Metcalfe's law](#), in [communications](#) and [network theory](#): the value of a system grows as approximately the square of the number of users of the system.
- [Moore's law](#) is an empirical observation stating that the complexity of [integrated circuits](#) doubles every 24 months.
- [Murphy's law](#): "Anything that can go wrong will go wrong."
- [Occam's razor](#): When two or more explanations are offered for a phenomenon, the simplest full explanation is preferable.
- [Orgel's rules](#), "Evolution is cleverer than you are."
- [Osbourne Effect](#)—the Osborne effect is a social phenomenon of customers cancelling or deferring orders for the current soon-to-be-obsolete product as an unexpected drawback of a company's announcing a future product prematurely.
- [Pareto principle](#): for many phenomena 80% of consequences stem from 20% of the causes.
- [Parkinson's law](#): "Work expands to fill the time available for its completion." Corollary: "Expenditure rises to meet income."
- [Parkinson's law of triviality](#): "The time spent on any agenda item will be in inverse proportion to the sum of money involved."
- [Peter principle](#): "In a hierarchy, every employee tends to rise to his level of incompetence."

And Finally...Some Quotes

Motivational Quotes

1. "The elevator to success is out of order. You'll have to use the stairs, one step at a time." Joe Girard
2. "People often say that motivation doesn't last. Well, neither does bathing – that's why we recommend it daily." Zig Ziglar
3. "I always wanted to be somebody, but now I realise I should have been more specific." Lily Tomlin
4. "I am so clever that sometimes I don't understand a single word of what I am saying." Oscar Wilde
5. "People say nothing is impossible, but I do nothing every day." Winnie the Pooh
6. "Life is like a sewer... what you get out of it depends on what you put into it." Tom Lehrer
7. "You can't have everything. Where would you put it?" Steven Wright
8. "Work until your bank account looks like a phone number." Unknown
9. "Change is not a four letter word... but often your reaction to it is!" Jeffrey Gitomer
10. "If you think you are too small to make a difference, try sleeping with a mosquito." Dalai Lama
11. "Bad decisions make good stories." Ellis Vidler
12. "I'll probably never fully become what I wanted to be when I grew up, but that's probably because I wanted to be a ninja princess." Cassandra Duffy
13. "When life gives you lemons, squirt someone in the eye." Cathy Guisewite
14. "A clear conscience is a sure sign of a bad memory." Mark Twain
15. "Well-behaved women seldom make history." Laurel Thatcher Ulrich
16. "I didn't fail the test. I just found 100 ways to do it wrong." Benjamin Franklin
17. "I used to think I was indecisive, but now I'm not so sure." Unknown
18. "Don't worry about the world coming to an end today. It's already tomorrow in Australia." Charles Schulz
19. "Think like a proton. Always positive." Unknown
20. "Be happy – it drives people crazy." Unknown

Dingbat Answers 1. On Ward AND Upward. 2. A Fly on the Wall 3. Possession is Nine Tenths of The Law 4. Snow White & The Seven Dwarfs 5. Flash of Inspiration. 6. Surf's Up. 7. The Cheque's in the Mail/Draughtsmen 8. Heavy Handed



Kelvedon United Reformed Church



Window Appeal

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CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

Are you seeking a supportive community to share experiences, gain strength and find comfort?

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LOCATION: Kelvedon United Reformed Church 89 High Street,
Kelvedon CO5 9AE

(Entrance by the side door on New Road with parking at the rear)

DATE: the 1st Monday of every month

TIME: 1pm until 3pm

NO BOOKING REQUIRED – JUST TURN UP AT ANY TIME



Colne Valley
Primary Care Network

Colne Valley Primary Care Network **NHS**

KELVEDON & FEERING

Health & Wellbeing Coffee Morning

Every Last Wednesday of the Month 8.30am - 11am

Kelvedon United Reformed Church: 89 High St, Kelvedon, CO5 9AE
(Across from the Co-op)

HEALTH & WELLBEING COACH OFFERS:

- Blood Pressure Check
- Lifestyle Advice
- Health Coaching
- Cardiovascular Risks Prevention

SOCIAL PRESCRIBER OFFERS SUPPORT ON:

- Social Inclusion
- Increase Independence
- Social Wellbeing
- Community Groups & Services
- Local Services Attend Each Month

In partnership with THE WELLNESS COLLECTIVE

Low Cost Holistic Therapies for Mind & Body

- Breathwork
- Reflexology
- Maori Bodywork
- Massage & Aromatherapy

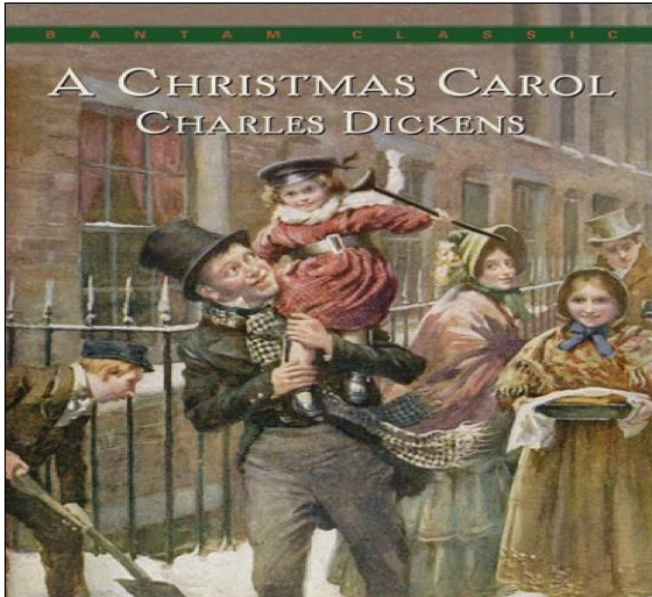
Carols At The Tavern

Kelvedon United Reformed Church
singers will be singing
Christmas Carols at
The Tavern
on the River,
Kelvedon
on
Tuesday
24th Nov 2026
at 6:00 pm

Please come along and
enjoy some festive
spirit.

S A N T A M C L A S S I C

A CHRISTMAS CAROL
CHARLES DICKENS



"A Christmas Carol by Candlelight"
performed by Anthony Roberts
Director, Colchester Arts Centre
at
Kelvedon United Reformed Church
on Saturday 28th November at 6:00pm- Doors open 5:30pm
Tickets- £8, Under 16's £4
available from
<https://tinyurl.com/3xnduuxy>
or use the QR Code
or on the door on the night.



Kelvedon 

United Reformed Church
Candlelit Carol Service



Everyone is welcome to come along and enjoy
The Christmas Message
With readings and carols.
Teas, Coffee and Mince Pies will be served after the service.

Sunday
13th Dec 2026
@ 6:30pm



Kelvedon Against Urban Sprawl

Public Meeting
Regarding the Local Plan's
5,000+ Houses

An update from KAUS

Thursday 15th October 2026
7:30pm – 9pm
United Reformed Church
89 High St, Kelvedon, CO5 9AE (Next to New Road)

- Update on Braintree District Council's Local Plan process
- Where we are and where we need to be
- Professional transport and planning consultants update
- How to respond to the Regulation 19 public consultation and why it matters

Let's galvanize that anger into positive action!



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