



**Kelvedon**  
**United Reformed Church**  
89 High Street  
Kelvedon CO5 9AE  
**Notices and News for**  
**October 2024**



**Elders Elections**

Will all members of the Church please ensure that they pick up the letter and ballot slip which are available on the table at the rear of the church. Please give the selection of prospective Elders, due consideration and prayer before returning the ballot paper to the box at the back of the Church on or before Sunday 3rd November. Thank you

**Praise Party**

Please note that the Praise Party that was scheduled for Saturday 26th October has had to be cancelled. A date will be identified for the Party to take place sometime in 2025.

**Regular Weekly Events:**

**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, there are plenty of jobs that need doing in and around the halls & sanctuary. For more information, please contact Trevor Andrews.

**Tuesday: Place of Welcome: 10:00am to 12:00:** Place Of Welcome will continue every Tuesday throughout the spring/summer months with lunches on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays each month. 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: Warm Welcome Space: 12:00 – 2:00pm:** Our Warm Welcome Space is back again every Tuesday of the month. We are offering Soup, a Roll and Pudding from 12:00 noon. Please contact Lea Finch to book your place. Everyone is welcome to come and join us.

**Tuesdays: 2:30pm – 3:15pm - Stretch and Glow** Chair based exercise class. Contact Andrea Wash.

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

**Future Events**

**Place of Welcome and Warm Welcome Space - Tuesdays**

**1<sup>st</sup> October, 8<sup>th</sup> October, 15<sup>th</sup> October, 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 29<sup>th</sup> October**

**5<sup>th</sup> November, 12<sup>th</sup> November, 19<sup>th</sup> November, 26<sup>th</sup> November.**

**9<sup>th</sup> Oct – Christmas Carol Service Planning Meeting 7:30pm**

**27<sup>th</sup> Oct – British Summer Time Ends**

**10<sup>th</sup> Nov – Remembrance Sunday**

**1<sup>st</sup> Dec – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent    15<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Carol Service    25<sup>th</sup> Dec – Christmas Day**

**Elders & Church Meetings**

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**Wednesdays @ 7:30pm**

6<sup>th</sup> Nov

**Church Meetings on Sundays after Morning Service**

**unless otherwise advised**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> Dec 2024.**

**Joint Steering Group Meetings – Mondays**

14<sup>th</sup> Oct – Bocking URC

**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 Trevor please.**

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## Church Services for October, November & December 2024

All Services start at 10:30 am unless otherwise stated

Date	Preachers	Duty Elder	Door Duty	Refreshments	Piano
6 <sup>th</sup> October	Ernie Finch – Communion	Ian Marshall	Ruby	Janet Davies	Neil
13 <sup>th</sup> October	Penny Bloom	Trevor Andrews	Rose	Janet A.	Neil
20 <sup>th</sup> October	Revd Joshua Norris	Franki Oxlade		Anne & Keith	Barrie
27 <sup>th</sup> October	Sarah Wilson	Jim Hyde	Lynn	Jim & Lynn	Barrie
3 <sup>rd</sup> November	Mark Ambrose – Communion	Janet Davies	Jeremy	Eileen & Jeremy	Neil
10 <sup>th</sup> November – <b>Remembrance Sunday</b>	Revd Joshua Norris	Ernie Finch	Ruby	Janet A.	Neil
17 <sup>th</sup> November	Ernie Finch	Ian Marshall	Lynn	Jim & Lynn	Barrie
24 <sup>th</sup> November	Sarah Wilson	Franki Oxlade	Rose	John & Rose	Neil
1 <sup>st</sup> December – <b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday in Advent</b>	Revd Joshua Norris - Communion	Trevor Andrews		Janet A.	Barrie
8 <sup>th</sup> December	Charles Martin	Jim Hyde	Lynn	Jim & Lynn	Neil
15 <sup>th</sup> December	Trevor Andrews	Ernie Finch	Ruby	Eileen & Jeremy	Barrie
15 <sup>th</sup> December	<b>– Candlelit Carol Service @ 6:30pm</b>				
22 <sup>nd</sup> December	Revd Joshua Norris	Ian Marshall		Janet A	Neil
25 <sup>th</sup> December – <b>Christmas Day @ 10:00am</b>	Jim Hyde	Franki Oxlade	Lynn		Barrie
29 <sup>th</sup> December	Jim Hyde	Trevor Andrews	Lynn	Jim & Lynn	Neil

### Flower Rota

<u>Date</u>	<u>Donated By</u>	<u>Arranged By</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Donated By</u>	<u>Arranged By</u>
6 <sup>th</sup> Oct		Christine	3 <sup>rd</sup> Nov	Anne	Anne
13 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Trevor	Christine	10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Poppies	Christine
17 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Funeral	Christine	17 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Paula	Anne
20 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Trevor	Christine	24 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Paula	Anne
27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Anne	Anne			

### Contact Details for Minister, Elders and Safeguarding

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Welcome to your local Warm Welcome Space  
Every Tuesday 12:00 – 2:00pm

Soup, a Roll and Pudding

**ALL WELCOME**

Warm Welcome spaces are heated and free to enter.

Warm Welcome spaces are inclusive, non-judgmental spaces where everyone can expect a warm welcome from staff and volunteers

We are open every Tuesday  
from 12:00 to 2:00pm  
In the Halls at the rear of  
Kelvedon United Reformed Church,  
High St, Kelvedon

Please contact Lea Finch for more details  
07914 238456



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Tea, coffee & biscuits

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A group for babies and toddlers  
(bring a grown up too!)

Come along and enjoy Songs and stories  
followed by refreshments and play.

**Thursdays**  
**10:30 - 12:00 (ish)**  
during Term Time

**Kelvedon**  
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For more information contact  
Lynn Hyde on 07896 190288



## Laugh Your Socks Off

### Questions

- ◆ What happens when you are half scared to death – twice?
- ◆ Is the “S” or “C” in scent silent?
- ◆ If a poisons “Use By” date expires, is it less poisonous – or more poisonous?
- ◆ Why is the letter “W”, in English, called a Double U? Shouldn’t it be called a double V?
- ◆ When you visit a theatre, which armrest is yours?
- ◆ If people evolved from monkeys, why are monkeys still around?
- ◆ Who knew what time it was when the first clock was created?
- ◆ Why does the word “funeral” start with FUN?
- ◆ Why does “lipstick” not do what it says?
- ◆ Why are goods sent by ship called CARGO, but those sent by lorries are called SHIPMENT?
- ◆ Why is it called “Rush Hour” when traffic is at its slowest?
- ◆ Why do we say noses run and feet smell?
- ◆ How many AMISH does it take to change a lightbulb? *What’s a lightbulb?*
- ◆ How many BAPTISTS does it take to change a lightbulb? *Change? Who said anything about change?*
- ◆ How many CALVINISTS does it take to change a lightbulb? *None, God has predestined when the light will be on. Calvinists do not change lightbulbs. They simply read the instructions and pray that their lightbulb will be the one that has chosen to be changed.*
- ◆ How many CATHOLICS does it take to change a lightbulb? *None. They use candles.*
- ◆ Who makes this stuff up? Probably pensioners with not a lot to do!!

### Quotes:

- “Even if you’re on the right track, you’ll get run over if you just sit there.” – Will Rogers
- It isn’t the number of people employed in a business that makes it successful, it’s the number working.
- Complaint is the largest tribute that Heaven receives – Jonathon Swift
- Everybody wants to right the world. Nobody wants to help their neighbour – Henry Miller
- Some people see things as they are and say, “Why?” I dream things that never were and say, “Why not?”  
– George Bernard Shaw
- “God created the world out of nothing, and as long as we are nothing, he can make something out of us.” – Martin Luther
- “As for me, all I know is that I know nothing.” – Socrates
- “To be conscious that you are ignorant is a great step to knowledge.” – Benjamin Disraeli
- “Youth fades; love droops, the leaves of friendship fall; A mothers secret hope outlives them all.” -Oliver Wendell Holmes
- I don’t question YOUR existence - God

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- A man was sued by a woman for defamation of character. She charged that he had called her a pig. The man was found guilty and fined. After the trial he asked the judge, "Does this mean that I cannot call Mrs Johnson a pig?" The judge said that was true. "Does this also mean I cannot call a pig, "Mrs Johnson" the man asked. The judge replied that he could indeed call a pig "Mrs Johnson" with no fear of legal action. The man looked directly at Mrs Johnson and said, "Good Afternoon, Mrs Johnson."

- A taxi passenger tapped the driver on the shoulder to ask him something. The driver screamed, lost control of the car, nearly hit a bus, went up on the pavement, and stopped centimetres from a shop window. For a second everything went quiet in the cab, then the driver said, "Look, mister, don't ever do that again. You scared the daylights out of me!" The passenger apologised and said he didn't realise that a little tap could scare him so much. The driver replied "Sorry, its not really your fault. Today is my first day as a cab driver. I've been driving hearses for the last 25 year's."

- An elderly man in Miami calls his son in New York and says, "I hate to ruin your day, but I have to tell you that your mother and I are divorcing. Forty-five year's of misery is enough." "Pop, what are you talking about?" the son screams. "We can't stand the sight of each other any longer," says the old man. "We're sick of each other, and I'm sick of talking about this, so call your sister in Chicago and tell her"; then he hangs up. Frantic, the son calls his sister, who explodes on the phone, "Like heck they're getting divorced," she shouts, "I'll take care of this." She calls her father immediately and screams at the old man, "You are NOT getting divorced! Don't do a single thing until I get there. I'm calling my brother back, and we'll both be there tomorrow. Until then, don't do a thing. DO YOU HEAR ME?" and hangs up.

The old man hangs up his phone and turns to his wife. "Okay," he says. "They're coming for Passover and paying their own airfares."

- A couple was invited to dinner by their elderly neighbours. The old gentleman endearingly preceded every request to his wife with "Honey", "Darling", "Sweetheart", "Pumpkin" etc. The neighbours were impressed since the couple had been married almost 70 years. While the wife was off in the kitchen, the neighbour said to the gentleman, "I think it's wonderful that after all these years you've been married, you still refer to your wife in those terms". The elderly husband hung his head. "Actually, I forgot the old lady's name about ten years ago."

- A little boy was attending his first wedding. After the service, his cousin asked him, "How many women can a man marry?" "Sixteen," the boy said. His cousin was amazed that he knew the answer so quickly. "How do you know that?" "Easy," the little boy said. "All you have to do is add it up, like the Minister said: 4 better, 4 worse, 4 richer and 4 poorer."

You are not fat – you are easier to see.

Money can't buy you happiness, but it keeps you in touch with the children.

Every time you clean something, you just make something else dirty.

The word "swims" upside down is still "swims".

If you replace the letter "W" with a "T" in "What, Where and When" – you receive the answer to each of them.

**Doublespeak:-**

Meaningful downturn in aggregate output - (recession)

After-Sales service - (kickback)

Resourceful development park – (Rubbish dump)

Temporarily displaced inventory – (Stolen goods)

Strategic misrepresentation – (a lie)

Reality augmentation – (a lie)

Terminological inexactitude – (a lie)