



**Kelvedon**  
**United Reformed Church**  
89 High Street  
Kelvedon CO5 9AE  
**Notices and News for**  
**September 2025**



**Christmas Candle Lit Carol Service:**

Our Carol Service this year will be on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Dec at 6:30pm and we are holding a **Planning Meeting on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept at 7:30pm** in the Church for anyone that would like to be involved. Please come along and help if you can.

**Friends of Essex Churches - Ride and Stride - 13<sup>th</sup> Sept:** We will be supporting **The Friends of Essex Churches Ride and Stride** event again this year and will have the Church open from 9:00am - 4:00pm and volunteers are required to welcome the Riders and Striders with a Cuppa and Biscuits etc. Please add your name to the list on the Notice board.

**Harvest Café Style Festival Service:** Our Harvest Café Style Festival service will now be on **12th October**. All donations of produce will be going to Beacon House, a list is on the Noticeboard of items required.

**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 the Autumn and Winter. 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 Lite Lunches: 12:00 – 1:00pm:** Our next Tuesday Lite Lunches will be on 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept. Then from **Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October** we will be back with our Soup, a Roll and Dessert every Tuesday during the winter period. Booking is essential for catering purposes. Please contact Lea Finch to book your place. Everyone is welcome to come and join us.

**Tuesday: Stretch & Glow: Will resume on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> September.** 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. **Little Lambs will resume on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September.**

**Future Events**

**Place of Welcome – Tuesdays**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sept, 9<sup>th</sup> Sept, 16<sup>th</sup> Sept, 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept, 30<sup>th</sup> Sept.

**Tuesday Lite Lunches - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sept**

**Tuesday Lunches (Soup, a Roll and Dessert) start again every Tuesday from 7<sup>th</sup> October**

**Other Event Dates**

4<sup>th</sup> Sept-Carol Service Planning Meeting, 7<sup>th</sup> Sept-Communion, 10<sup>th</sup> Sept-Elders Meeting, 13<sup>th</sup> Sept – Friends of Essex Churches Ride & Stride, 15<sup>th</sup> Sept -Steering Group Meeting, 24<sup>th</sup> Sept-Church Meeting, 5<sup>th</sup> Oct – Treasure Trail Mk2, 12<sup>th</sup> Oct – Harvest Café Style Service, 26<sup>th</sup> Oct – British Summer Time Ends,

**Elders & Church Meetings**

**Elders Meetings**

**Wednesdays @ 7:30pm**

10<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025      12<sup>th</sup> Nov 2025  
14<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026      18<sup>th</sup> March 2026  
20<sup>th</sup> May 2026      24<sup>th</sup> June 2026  
9<sup>th</sup>/16<sup>th</sup> Sept 2026      18<sup>th</sup> Nov 2026

**Church Meetings on Sundays after Morning Service**

**unless otherwise advised**

Weds 24<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025 @7:30pm      23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2025  
18<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026      29<sup>th</sup> March 2026 (Incl AGM)  
31<sup>st</sup> May 2026      Weds 8<sup>th</sup> July 2026 @ 7:30pm  
20<sup>th</sup> Sept 2026      22<sup>nd</sup> Nov 2026

**Joint Steering Group Meetings – Mondays 7:30pm**

15<sup>th</sup> Sept 2025 @ Bocking

**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 Jeremy please.



**Dingbats**

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**Yesteryear**

The milkman delivered the bottles; the coal man kept us warm.  
Queuing to make a phone call was once considered the norm.  
We all had hand me down clothes; we also had our Sunday best.  
When Elvis shook his hips; Not everyone was impressed.

Passed love letters in the classroom; Played marbles on a drain.  
If mum didn't have our pocket money; We wouldn't dare complain.  
We were told smoking was good for us; So we thought we'd give it a try  
We coughed and choked and spluttered; And we never questioned why.

We collected matchboxes and stamps; Played penny up the wall,  
Could play outside for hours, If someone had a ball.  
Wages still came in a packet; Seemingly bursting at the seams,  
A holiday in foreign lands; Was simply the stuff of dreams.

Dad would be down the pub; On the day he got his wages,  
We'd never heard of google; We simply had the yellow pages.  
We took back the empty bottles; For pieces of silver and gold,  
We went to market and jumble sales; For the bargains being sold.

We took pride in where we lived; Those streets on which we grew,  
Some may say its better now; I'm not so sure that's true.  
We kids had a sip of babycham; Or sneaked a drop of dad's beer,  
Looking back it seems so innocent; Those glorious days of yesteryear.  
*Danny Fenn the Boleyn poet ©*

**Dyslexia Rules**

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**Lateral Thinking**

1. You are driving down the road in your car on a wild, stormy night, when you pass by a bus stop and you see three people waiting for the bus:  
1. An old lady who looks as if she is about to die.  
2. An old friend who once saved your life.  
3. The perfect partner you have been dreaming about.  
Knowing that there can only be one passenger in your car, whom would you choose?

**Prophetic Sayings**

There are no dumb questions. Because if there were, I would have exceeded my weekly quota by Monday afternoon.  
Work fascinates me. I can sit and stare at it for hours.

*The Church at the heart of the villages, with Christ at the heart of the Church*

Nurses. Here to save your ass, not kiss it.  
 Restaurant sign: We do not have wi-fi. Talk to each other... Pretend it's 1995.  
 Smile. It confuses people.  
 My windows aren't dirty, that's my dog's nose art.  
 Sometimes I laugh so hard that tears run down my leg.  
 Everyone brings joy to this office. Some when they enter, some when they leave...  
 Remember, as far as anyone else knows, we are a normal family.  
 Forget the dog. Beware of owner.  
 Sometimes the best part of my job is that the chair spins...  
 Ambition is a poor excuse for not having enough sense to be lazy.  
 Remember, as far as anyone else knows, we are a normal family.  
 You know you found "The One..." when you no longer have to hold your farts in.  
 Have dessert. Chunkier people are harder to kidnap.  
 Home is where the cat hair sticks to everything BUT the cat!  
 If ignorance is bliss, then why are there not more happy people?  
 Stupidity knows no bounds, but it knows a lot of people.  
 Why do people call someone a chicken to indicate that they are scared or cowards? Have you ever met a chicken? Those evil things will mess you up...  
 Based on my reaction when toast pops out of a toaster, I will never look cool walking away from an explosion.  
 I think my problem is that I have really fantastic bad ideas.  
 I have a ton of excitement in my life. I used to call it stress, but I feel much better now that I call it excitement.  
 I'm not sure if I have an inner child, but I do know that I have an inner idiot that surfaces a little too frequently.

I never thought that I would be the kind of person who would get up early in the morning to exercise. And I was right.

**Dingbat Answers**

1. All Mixed Up 2. 6 of One and Half a Dozen of the Other, 3. Back To The Future, 4. Climate Change

**Lateral Thinking Solution:** The old lady of course! After helping the old lady into the car, you can give your keys to your friend, and wait with your perfect partner for the bus.

**Sudoku Answer**

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