

# The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe



*Welcome to our Church*

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*Refreshments are available and we invite you to stay and enjoy meeting others before you go home*

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## **Sunday 8 February**

9.30am Downe Morning Worship

11.00am Cudham Holy Communion and **Sunday Club**  
*Romans 8. 18-25, Matthew 6. 25-34*

*Both services led by Revd Canon Katrina Barnes*

As Katrina will be referring to all three lectionary readings set for this Sunday, it would be helpful to read [Genesis 1.1 - 2.3](#) before the service.

## **The Second Sunday before Lent**

Almighty God,  
you have created the heavens and the earth  
and made us in your own image:  
teach us to discern your hand in all your works  
and your likeness in all your children;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,  
now and for ever. **Amen**

## Upcoming Services

### **Tuesday 10 February**

10.00am Downe    Holy Communion (*monthly service*)  
*Led by Revd Canon Tim Hatwell*

### **Sunday 15 February**

10.30am Cudham    United Morning Worship and **Sunday Club**  
*Led by Ian Gillies*

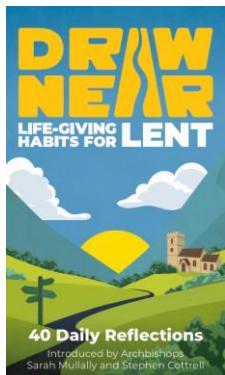


### **Wednesday 18 February**

7.00pm Cudham    United Holy Communion with  
imposition of ashes.  
*Led by Revd Neil Fairlamb*

### **Sunday 22 February**

9.30am Downe    Morning Worship  
11.00am Cudham    Holy Communion and **Sunday Club**  
*Both services led by Revd Canon Tim Hatwell*



**Draw Near** is the official Church of England booklet for Lent 2026. It invites us to develop a rhythm of life that will help us grow as disciples of Christ, especially as we prepare to celebrate God's saving love at Easter. Each week explores an activity central to Christian discipleship: worship, prayer, Scripture, communion, service to others and sharing the good news. For each day of Lent it offers daily Bible readings, images, short reflections, prayers and practical responses.

If you would like a copy of the 96-page booklet for just £3, add your name to the list at the back of the church **by 10<sup>th</sup> February** or email [admin@pcd.org.uk](mailto:admin@pcd.org.uk). There is also a children's version (48-pages) for the same price.

You are very welcome to come along to the following and for more information please email [admin@pcd.org.uk](mailto:admin@pcd.org.uk) or tel: 01959 571515

**Christian Meditation:** Thursday 19 Feb, 10am at St Mary's

**Ladies Fellowship:** Tuesday 24 Feb, 10am at Sue's, Cudham  
(Please note there is no Fellowship meeting on the 10 Feb).



And pancake party! Tuesday 17th February from 3.30 to 5.30 pm **Downe Village Hall, 24 High St, Downe, BR6 7UT**

Children, come along and have

great fun getting messy! Enjoy free art and craft activities on the theme of: **Lent and pancakes!** Don't forget to bring an adult or carer; they have to have fun too!



**No charge - donations welcome on the day.**

Booking required please for catering purposes.

Contact Denise Angell on 07957 206901 or [denise.angell@virginmedia.com](mailto:denise.angell@virginmedia.com) for more info. and to book.



Copies of the latest **free TOGETHER** magazine from the Diocese of Rochester are at the back of the church – please do take a copy, along with a leaflet explaining the Diocesan "Called Together" vision. The Together magazine is also available online via the link – [together-magazine-issue-28.pdf](http://together-magazine-issue-28.pdf)

*Our congratulations to Francesca Hennessy who won the WBC bantamweight world title eliminator last Saturday evening 1 February.*

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*Prayer points for this week -*

- ⊕ For Amelia Mackay as she embarks on her degree course as an Officer Cadet at the Fleetwood Maritime Campus.
- ⊕ For God to guide those who are considering applying to be our next priest in charge.
- ⊕ For peace and hope in our world.
- ⊕ For provision, comfort and protection for those affected by war or conflict.

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