# The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe



4 Jelcome to our Church

#### Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March

9.30am Downe Holy Communion led by Revd Ann Uphill
11.00am Cudham Morning Worship and Sunday Club led by Revd Canon Tim Hatwell Genesis 15: 1-12, Luke 13: 31-35

### The Second Sunday of Lent

Almighty God,

you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness:

grant to all those who are admitted

into the fellowship of Christ's religion,

that they may reject those things

that are contrary to their profession,

and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen** 

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

## **Upcoming services**

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March

9.30am Downe Morning Worship Ied by Ian Gillies
11.00am Cudham Holy Communion and Sunday Club Ied by Revd Ann Uphill



Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> March – Mothering Sunday

9.30am Downe Morning Worship 11.00am Cudham Morning Worship both services led by Ven Dr Paul Wright

Joint PCC meeting in Cudham Church on Monday 17th March, 7.30pm for a 7.45pm start.

**Thanks to everyone** who helped with a Spring-clean of Cudham church on Wednesday evening and Saturday. All the walls and windows were brushed down, and a lot of cleaning, hoovering and polishing followed. A great team effort.



This **LENT** we are encouraged to put down deep roots of hope by connecting with God who is with us at all times.

The Church of England's Lent Theme for 2025 is Living Hope.

In Lent, we journey with Jesus on the



difficult and thorny road that leads all the way to the cross on Good Friday – and beyond, to the transformation of Easter Day.

For more details regarding their 'Living Hope' book titled 'A Lent Journey' with 40 Daily Reflections please visit the CofE's link -Living Hope - Resources for Lent 2025 | The Church of England

You are very welcome to come along to the following:

*Home Group* - Monday 31st March, 2pm at Sue's, Cudham

**Christian Meditation** - Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> March at 10.00am at St Mary's

*Ladies Fellowship* - Tues 25<sup>th</sup> March at Elizabeth's, Cudham

Please email <u>admin@pcd.org.uk</u> or call 01959 571515 for more details

**Cudham and Downe Electoral Rolls** – every six years our parishes are required to prepare new electoral rolls and we are due to start this process from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> March (until Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025) for St Mary's, Downe and Cudham Church. If you are baptised, aged 16 or over, and are part of our church communities, we would ask you to complete a new electoral roll form. These are available at the back of our churches and once completed can be handed to Barbara (Cudham) and Chris (Downe).

Being part of the electoral roll is an important way of confirming your commitment to our churches, and to the vision of the churches, and you also become entitled to participate in the government of the church and to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting.

General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) are displayed on our notice boards and are available on our website <u>www.pcd.org.uk</u>

Prayer points for this week:

- For peace and justice in our world and for those who work for reconciliation, especially in areas of war and conflict.
- For the head teachers, staff and pupils of our local schools and our church community links. For John and Kim as they lead the school services.

- and let us continue to pray for one another, our families, and our parishioners. This week we pray for -

- Gary and Beryl Packman (Cudham)
- John and Chris Isbell (Downe)
- residents in Grays Road (Cudham)
- residents in Hangrove Hill (Downe)

Our pastoral care team is available should you feel the need to speak to someone about anything, whether it's just for a chat or if something is troubling you. You can contact them on 07942 354533 or email <u>pastoral.team@pcd.org.uk</u>

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While our churches have a vacancy for a Vicar, please email <u>admin@pcd.org.uk</u> or call the parish office on 01959 571515 to leave a message. Alternatively, contact one of the churchwardens below:

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Licensed Schools and Families Evangelist: Kim Curle <u>kim.curle@btinternet.com</u> tel: 01689 836220

Please email any contributions to be included in our weekly notice sheet by Wednesday evening to <a href="mailto:admin@pcd.org.uk">admin@pcd.org.uk</a>