



# The United Benefice of Cudham and Downe

*For the sake of others please do not attend if you have any symptoms of Covid19 or other respiratory illnesses.*

*Welcome to our services*

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

## **Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> March – Passion Sunday**

*(NB: clocks go forward)*

11.00am Cudham United Holy Communion, Sunday Club and dramatic reading of the passion narrative  
Rev John to lead

6.30pm Downe Choral Evensong  
Jeremiah 31: 27-37; John 12: 20-33  
Rev John to lead and preach

Downe's service will be livestreamed on our youtube channel  
<https://www.youtube.com/pcdchurches>

## **Passion Sunday**

Gracious Father,  
you gave up your Son out of love for the world:  
lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,  
that we may know eternal peace  
through the shedding of our Saviour's blood,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March**

10.00am Downe Holy Communion Service at St Mary's – a quiet and reflective service

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March** - 9.30am Downe School end of term service in St Mary's, Downe. Kim and John to lead

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March** - 8.55am Cudham School end of term service in Cudham church. Rev John to lead

## Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> April – Palm Sunday

10.30am Downe United Palm Sunday - All age procession (starting at Christmas Tree Farm) with communion service at St Mary's  
Luke 19: 28-40  
Rev John to lead and preach

**Maundy Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April** – at Downe we'll be holding a family Agape meal in Downe Village Hall 6.30pm then Tenebrae in St Mary's – please book your place (and any dietary requirements) on the list at the back of church. We invite those attending to bring a pudding or drink too.

## Friday 7<sup>th</sup> April – Good Friday



10.30am - 12 noon Messy Church at Cudham  
**and Easter Egg Hunt!** 10.30am to 12 noon.

Cudham Church, Church Approach, TN14 7QF.

Children, enjoy free art and craft activities on the theme of:

**Easter! Light refreshments and hot cross buns provided!**

Don't forget to bring an adult or carer. Contact Denise Angell 07957 206901 or [denise.angell@virginmedia.com](mailto:denise.angell@virginmedia.com) for details.

**2pm – 3pm Downe Reflective Service (stations of the cross)**  
Rev John to lead

Please see enclosed our Easter leaflet which gives details of all our Easter services. You are welcome to take a few from the table to give to family, friends and neighbours.

### **LAST CALL – for our Warm Welcome event**

If you would welcome being in a warm place with others, join us at no cost for morning coffee, some social & creative activities, and a hot lunch: 10.30am to 2.30pm this

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March at Downe Village Hall.**

Vegetarian option available, and transport may be available.

To reserve a place or to let us know of others who might like to be invited ☎ 01959 571515 (incl. answerphone),  
or email to [admin@pcd.org.uk](mailto:admin@pcd.org.uk)

**Cudham and Downe Electoral Rolls** – revisions of the rolls will begin shortly in readiness for our United Annual Meeting at Cudham Church. on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023 after a 10.30am United Communion Service. If you are baptized, live in the parish of Cudham and Downe or worship with us in person or online, and are not on the electoral roll we would like to encourage you to join. Please ask Barbara (Cudham) or Chris (Downe) for an application form.

***Meditation Group*** - Christian Meditation on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 10am in St Mary's. We look forward to seeing you. The group follow the method taught by John Main, an English Benedictine monk <https://www.wccm.uk>

***Wednesday Evening Homegroup*** – meets in person at Sue Everest's at 8pm on 29<sup>th</sup> March when we will be looking at chapter 5 – of our Lent Book 'Failure'. You can also join us by Zoom, Meeting ID: 847 8549 8167 Passcode: 972034  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84785498167?pwd=ano3bWJvNFY2U3pveDZYUolHTTEvdz09>

***Wednesday Ladies Fellowship*** at Sue's, Cudham 10.00am – 12.30pm on 29<sup>th</sup> March. Please contact Barbara at [barbiesherb@aol.com](mailto:barbiesherb@aol.com) for more details.

### ***For your Prayers***

Prayer points for this week:

- For the end-of-term school Easter services in Downe and Cudham churches this Thursday and Friday
- For our Warm Welcome event at Downe Village Hall on Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March.
- For plans for a Cudham Coronation Celebration event on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May as church and community come together.



Let us keep continuing to pray for one another and our families in our congregations, as well as our parishioners in both parishes. This week can we pray for Mike and Patricia Morbin (Cudham) and Ali, Samuel and Abigail Sleath (Downe). Please also pray for our residents in the following streets Bird House Lane (Downe) and Single Street (Cudham).

***We invite you to join us for our Morning and Evening Prayer times***

Morning Prayer 9.15am Monday on Zoom - Meeting ID: 872 2896 5797 Passcode: 644632

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87228965797?pwd=M1c1OTUzTFNsY3lxeW94Q25MV2xRdz09> Wednesday's morning prayer is at 9.30am in Cudham Church

Evening Prayer 5.00pm Monday - Friday on Zoom Meeting ID: 898 5148 2423 Passcode: 458828

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89851482423?pwd=Y3c5ZmJyUVpEQzN5bDUvV2FGRU53Zz09>

Please pray for the families of Derek Knight Joy Holt, Ray Galton, Fin Wilson and Felicity Lever who have recently died and Jag Chima as he mourns his father. Derek Knight's funeral is at Bluebell Cemetery, Old London Road, Halstead, Kent, TN14 7AE Monday 24th April 2023 at 1.45pm. Family flowers only and any donations to the RSPCA. The wake will be for family only.

***Prayer chain*** – please contact Pat Morbin if you have any prayer needs or requests and if you would like to be part of the prayer chain. Email [office@pcd.org.uk](mailto:office@pcd.org.uk) or tel 07504 827929 or 01959 540012 and these will be passed on to Pat in confidence.

***Pastoral Needs*** – our pastoral team is here to help, whether it's just for a chat or something that is troubling you. Why not give them a call on 07942 354533 or email [pastoral.team@pcd.org.uk](mailto:pastoral.team@pcd.org.uk) to arrange a visit or chat over the phone. We are here for you.

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