

Lancaster Road
United Reformed Church



March 2026
Newsletter

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Hello everyone!

March is here! Spring is here! The wonders of new life are emerging! We can celebrate that the darker nights are getting less. However, the darkness within the world can be seen to be hanging over so many. Despite this darkness in the world, as Christians we have a hope beyond our imagination as long as we stay faithful and remain steadfast in our reliance on Jesus.

I've been reading the Book of Revelation lately and am reminded of the wonderful grace of God but also one day there will come judgement. We're not very eager to be reminded of that side of God. This is why we are called to rely on Him and His victory over death because His victory is ours when we accept Jesus into our lives.

Jesus spoke to the seven churches and told them what we will receive if we remain victorious. As I write this it is the Winter Olympics in Italy. The prize to win is a gold medal and the accolade that goes with it. However, what is this worth if the prizes they win doesn't include the following:

"To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to eat from the tree of life, which is in the paradise of God." (Rev 2:7)

"The one who is victorious will not be hurt at all by the second death." (Rev 2: 11)

"To the one who is victorious, I will give some of the hidden manna. I will also give that person a white stone with a new name written on it, known only to the one who receives it." (Rev 2: 17)

"To the one who is victorious and does my will to the end, I will give authority over the nations— that one 'will rule them with an iron scepter and will dash them to pieces like pottery'- just as I have received authority from my Father. I will also give that one the morning star." (Rev 2: 26-27)

“The one who is victorious will, like them, be dressed in white. I will never blot out the name of that person from the book of life, but will acknowledge that name before my Father and his angels.” (Rev 3: 5)

“The one who is victorious I will make a pillar in the temple of my God. Never again will they leave it. I will write on them the name of my God and the name of the city of my God, the new Jerusalem, which is coming down out of heaven from my God; and I will also write on them my new name.” (Rev 3:12)

“To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne.” (Rev 3: 21).

May we stay steadfast in faith, remain guided by the Spirit and be servants of Christ to all we meet, sharing His love to those in need. We were never promised an easy path, in fact the contrary but in God’s strength we can be victorious to the end. All glory to God in the highest.

Amen

God bless,
Ruth

Our Church Mission Statement.

“As a Church our desire is to worship God and grow as disciples of our Lord Jesus Christ. To show and nurture love, joy, peace and justice in our fellowship, community and to all people through the power of the Holy Spirit.”

March/April

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30 No Toddlers Holy Week Easter Holiday	31	1st April Bible Study 9.45 Food Hub 10.00-12pm Prayer at Home 9.30pm	2nd Maundy Thursday Communion Bush Hill Park 7.30pm

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	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	6 Shoppers Coffee in the church With lunch 10-2pm	7 Anniversary Coffee Morning 10am to 12	8 All Age Worship Church Anniversary 11.15am Revd Ruth Dewis
	13 Shoppers Coffee in the church 10-12	14 Enfield Concert Band Concert for Dementia UK 7pm	15 Morning service 11.15am Mr Martin Wells Evening service 6.30pm @ LR
	20 Shoppers Coffee in the church With lunch 10-2pm	21	22 Morning service 11.15am Mr Terry Silvey
	27 Shoppers Coffee in the church 10-12	28	29 Palm Sunday 10.30am Revd George Watt Joint Service Bush Hill Park
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ALL PEOPLE ALL PLACES (APAP)

Working with the homeless or those at risk of homelessness in Enfield and Haringey

WINTER NEWSLETTER

We wanted to say a huge thank you to everyone who donated to our winter campaign, we have absolutely smashed our target with the total amount at £26,487. We wanted to give some special thank yous to those who this would not have been possible without.

20th and 23rd Southgate Scouts

The Scouts braved the cold and darkness to take part in a sleep out, (building their own shelters from cardboard and tarpaulins), helping them gain insight into some of the challenges faced by people experiencing homelessness throughout the year, particularly during the winter months. Thanks to the incredible generosity of their friends and family, they raised just under £14,000 with the match funding from Aviva. This is absolutely incredible and we would like to say a massive thank you to everyone who supported them.

Pymmes Park Run

Pymmes Park Run hosted a coffee and cake morning after their 5k run to raise money for our campaign. In addition, they generously donated much-needed items for our clients, including clothing and non-perishable goods for our kitchen at the Day Centre in the park. We are incredibly grateful for their support.

Crouch End Open Studios and St Paul's Carols on the Green

A huge thank you to Crouch End Open Studios who hosted a fantastic event showcasing local artwork as part of the re-opening of Hornsey Town Hall. We're incredibly grateful that 10% of their sales were donated to APAP.

We would also like to thank St Paul's Church in Winchmore Hill for hosting Carols on the Green, where local business sponsorships from the event programme were generously given to us. We are so thankful to the organisations and individuals who donated to our campaign, it truly does make a difference.

CHRISTMAS AT APAP

We had a wonderful Christmas celebration at APAP on 23rd December. The day was filled with fun games, delicious food. And presents for our clients to enjoy.

A special thank you to Karen, one of our trustees, who, with the incredible support of her local community, including a school and a synagogue, prepared over 40 beautifully wrapped boxes filled with essential items for our clients to open on Christmas Day.

We would also like to thank KK's Caribbean Spice for generously providing delicious Caribbean food for our staff, volunteers and clients. Your kindness and generosity helped make this day truly special for everyone involved.

THE YEAR AHEAD

We have some exciting developments on the horizon, including plans to move into our own sole-use building in the near future. Once this is complete, we will be able to launch our new women's project, supporting vulnerable women who are experiencing homelessness.

In April our services manager will be running the London Marathon to raise funds for APAP for which we are very grateful. Beryl.

Church Anniversary Coffee Morning & Gift Day

Saturday 7th March 10am to 12 noon

Lancaster Road Church

Please join us for coffee, tea, cakes and conversation.

There will be books for sale, a raffle and tombola

All the money raised will go towards the

Building Maintenance Fund

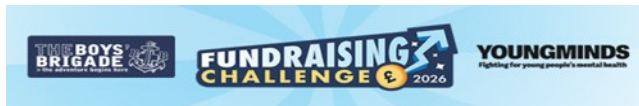
If you are able to provide some cakes, please let Beryl know.

Envelopes will also be available on Sunday for donations for the BMF!

Tombola Prizes

I shall be running a tombola at the Church Coffee Morning on Saturday 7th March. If anyone has any unwanted small Christmas gifts such as sweets, biscuits, cakes, drinks, toiletries, cosmetics, etc, still hanging around (or any other smaller unwanted suitable items) I would be very pleased to take them off their hands to help raise money for our church. Please bring them to church on Sunday 1st March or contact me to arrange collection. If anyone has any larger items which would be more suitable as a raffle prize then please see Val as she is running a raffle at the coffee morning. Many thanks.

Laura



The Boys Brigade have chosen Young Minds as their official charity partner for 2026 because of the vital work they do to support young people's mental health.

They provide essential services, raise awareness, and campaign for better understanding and support across the country - ensuring that every young person has somewhere to turn. Our shared commitment at The Boys' Brigade to build confidence, resilience and hope makes this partnership a perfect fit. As part of this Challenge the Company held a coffee evening for parents and friends and we raised £108.

Thank you



The Season of Lent

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Easter Sunday
Ash Wednesday
Holy Thursday
Palm Sunday
Crucifixion
Forgiveness
Last Supper
Good Friday

Sacraments
Forty Days
Sacrifice
Holy Week
Disciples
Fasting
Penance
Prayer

Cross
Bible
Jesus
Ashes

Duty Elders for March 2026

Date	11.15 a.m.	Notes	6:00 p.m.	Notes
1 st	Graham/Clare	<i>Holy Communion & Church AGM</i>		
8 th	Graham	<i>Church Anniversary & All Age/Parade Serv.</i>		
15 th	Chris	<i>Mothering Sunday</i>	Beryl	<i>with Clay Hill Parish</i>
22 nd 29 th	Beryl Pastorate Service Palm Sunday	@ BHP 10.30am LR. Closed		

Elders marked in **BOLD** are responsible for reading notices at that service. Please let them have any notices 10 minutes before the start of the service.

Elders on duty at a **Communion Service** must ensure that the person presiding at Communion informs the congregation of the Charity/Organisation receiving the Communion Offertory and that the collection plate is on the Communion Table.

Thank you

Flower Rota March

March 1st -----
 8th CHURCH ANNIVERSARY
 15th Laura Marlow in memory of Gwen and Don
 22nd -----
 29th -----

LyCiG Prayer

God of Mission Who alone brings growth to your Church,
 Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision to our planning,
 Wisdom to our actions,
 And power to our witness.
 Help our church to grow in numbers,
 In spiritual commitment to you,
 And in service to our local community,
 Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Youth & Childrens work Activities In the Church Hall Armfield Road.

Toddler group – 0-4 yrs

Monday morning 9.30 – 11.30am. Just come along, refreshments provided.

Boys Brigade and Girls Association (boys and girls) – 5 – 11 yrs.

Monday 6.15 – 7.30 pm.

Contact Vivienne Legg 1stenfieldbb@gmail.com

5th Enfield Rainbows - Girls 4-7y rs -

Thursday 5.30pm - 6.30pm :

Contact Sumita Biswas 5thenfieldrainbows@gmail.com

5th Enfield Brownies - Girls 7-10 yrs -

Thursday 6.15pm - 7.45pm

Contact Mary Dawson 5enfieldbrownies@googlemail.com

5th Enfield Guides - Girls 10-14 yrs

Thursday 7pm—8.30pm

Contact Allison Duggal guides5thenfield@hotmail.co.uk

5th Enfield Rangers - Girls 14-18 yrs

Thursday 7pm—8.30pm

Contact Nansi Ellis guides5thenfield@hotmail.co.uk

YPCF – 5 -11 yrs **Sunday 11.15 – 12.15 (in the church).**

Contact Chris Marlow ypcf@lrurc.org.uk

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