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Our services are live in the building from 10:30am each Sunday morning.

If you are unable to attend in person, you can watch the live stream via <u>our</u> <u>website</u>

28th September 2025

Our Pastor, Jon White, will be leading our time together.

Our mission focus will be on the work of TeachBeyond and we will be hearing testimonies from members of the team.

All money given in the offering this Sunday will go towards the work of TeachBeyond, unless marked otherwise.

7:30pm Prayer & Praise

5th October 2025

Church member, Steve Strange, will be leading our time together.

Our Pastor, Jon White, will be speaking on 'Practising a Heart of Worship'

from John 4v23-24.



Pre-Service Prayer

Each week, all are invited to come and pray over our time together before the Sunday Gathering from 9:45 in the Prayer Room (upstairs in the Blue Room).

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Activities at TRBC this week:

Monday 29th September - 7:15pm until 9pm - Trafalgar Community Choir
Wednesday 1st October - 10am until 12pm - Renew Café
Thursday 2nd October - 7:30pm until 9:30pm - Worship Group
Friday 3rd October - 7:30pm until 9pm - Friday youth

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Collyer's Small Group

Our Student Small Group, known as Tuesdays at TRBC and usually on Tuesdays 4:30pm - 6pm, is looking for, at least, one more leader to help with the group. If you are interested in helping please speak to Pastor Jon.



My Testimony

If you can testify of how God is moving in your life, we would love to hear about it. Speak to your small group leader or email jon.white@trbc.info

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Praise & Prayer points for this week...

Mon 29th: Following on from yesterday's service, let's thank the Lord for all that TeachBeyond are doing worldwide & pray for effective evangelism to be the outcome.

Tue 30th: Ask the Lord to bless Pastor Jon as he works to encourage us to see our church vision worked out in practice.

Wed 1st: As daylight hours shorten & evenings get longer, let's pray the Lord's blessings & love on our more senior TRBC members.

Thur 2nd: Let's add our prayers to the Open Doors petition to see (1) robust protection, (2) just prosecutions & (3) healing & restoration on every community affected by violence.

Fri 3rd: Pray the Lord's blessing & encouragement on our youth as they meet tonight.

Sat 4th: Thank the Lord for Horsham Matters as they seek to bring Jesus into the lives of believers & unbelievers across our town!

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Prayer & Praise Evening

Our next prayer & praise evening will be on **Sunday 28th September**.
7:30pm until 8:30pm in the prayer room

A time of worship with music and singing interspersed with times of prayer and waiting on the Lord.

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Seek first prayer evening

Our next seek first prayer evening will be 12th October.

The prayer evenings are on the 2nd Sunday of the month.

We will be meeting from 7:30pm until 8:30pm in the prayer room upstairs.

A time of prayer together where our intention is to seek after God as we 'seek first his kingdom and his righteousness' (Matthew 6v33)

LEADERS ELECTION

NOMINATIONS

ARE OPEN

Leaders Elections

Nominations are now open for our leaders elections!

Any Church member (who is over 18 and has been a member for over a year) can be nominated (with their permission). They must have a proposer and a seconder, who are also church members. We have **3 vacancies** on the leadership team. Please prayerfully think about who you could ask to stand or whether you would be willing to stand yourself.

Nominations, along with a proposer and seconder, need to be made, in writing, on the clipboard. This will be made available, on the information table, on Sunday mornings.

More detailed information on the leaders' election can be found on a sheet on the noticeboard by the stairs.

Want more information on what it means to be a leader? Pick up a leaflet from the information table or speak to Pastor Jon.

Nominations will close on Sunday 9th November, after the service.



Volunteer sign-up

We hope to run lots of different events at TRBC but to do this we need your help! We would love to have a 'bank' of volunteers who we can call upon to help at different events at TRBC. This doesn't commit you to every event, but helps us to know who to ask! Feel free to tick more than one!

You can either fill in the form <u>online here</u>, or fill in the paper copy, which is available on the Information Table on Sundays.

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TRBC Building Working Party

Saturday 18th October 9am until 12pm

We will be having a working party to do odd jobs that need to be done around the building and tidy up the vegetation outside.

If you're able to help, or would like more information on the jobs available, please speak to Trevor.

Renew Wellbeing

"An end to isolation and better mental health for all."

Renew Café

You are welcome to join us to share in a chat, a cuppa and perhaps something creative (bring something you are working on or join in with something on offer in the session) or play games, along with a space for prayer.

Every Wednesday 10-12noon.

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The Welcome — Cake, Tea and a Chat

This takes place on the third Thursday of each month, with the next on **16th October**, 2:30pm until 4:30pm

All are welcome

Invite your friends along

Why not carry an invitation in your pocket for that person you just happen to meet who might just love some company - and cake!!

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Mission, Vision & Values

Our **Mission** is the Biblical mandate that never changes and is expressed in our mission statement as:

'Following Jesus. Serving our Community'

Vision

In September 2022 we started a journey looking at the vision of the church.

For 12 months we had various meetings, times of prayer and conversations on what the vision is for TRBC.

After this time, the church felt we were being called:

'To be a God-centred and family-focused community that helps everyone meet Jesus'

You can read more about our journey to this vision by reading our Vision Booklet.

Values

Following our agreement on our Vision, we went on a journey to look at the values of the church. We looked at who we are and spent time in prayer and meetings looking at what

our core values are.

In June 2025, the church felt that we are to value:

Welcoming

We believe that God welcomes people into His arms
We want everyone to feel welcomed when they are with us

Caring

We believe in a caring God
We want to show care for people and the world

Listening

We believe that God listens to us when we call on Him We want to listen well to God and to people

Sharing

We believe in a generous God who shares His love and resources with us We want to share life, faith and Jesus with people in a generous way

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Open Doors petition

Open Doors is a charity that we support, as a church, and they have sent through a petition, asking for signatures.

Arise Africa Petition: Stop the Violence. Start the Healing.

16.2 million Christians in sub-Saharan Africa are displaced by violence and conflict.

Christian leaders across sub-Saharan Africa are calling on the global church to stand with them against violent persecution. The petition to local governments, the EU and the UN, asking for:

Protection: providing robust protection from violent militant attacks.

Justice: ensuring justice through fair prosecutions of the attackers.

Restoration: bringing healing and restoration to all affected communities.

The petition is available on the information table on Sundays, or speak to Faith when you're next in the building.

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Link to Hope - Update items most needed

At the end of July, Kay launched this year's shoebox appeal for Link to Hope.

There is a box in the Gathering Space to receive items, including shoeboxes. A <u>list of items</u> suggests the most useful items for the boxes, but other small gifts can be included.

The items we are most in need of are:

- Individually wrapped soap
- Flannels
- Notebooks/small colouring books
- Small candles or tea lights in holders
- Combs/hairbrushes
- Sweets (June 2026 or after)
- Small games

Knitted and crocheted items are always well received, and we have patterns and wool for anyone who would like to make something. (We can send knitted toys containing stuffing, but they have to go separately and not in the shoebox due to customs controls. They still get given out and are much loved.)

During October we will be packing boxes and there will be opportunities to help with that.

We will let you know dates nearer the time.

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Thank yous

We have received two 'thank you' letters from charities that we have recently given money to.

- Embrace the Middle East. This is the tithe from this year's gift day.
- <u>St Catherine's Hospice</u>. This is some money that was left over from our previous Café Connect sessions, which we no longer run.

You can either click the link to read the thank yous or you can view them on the mission board at the back of the hall.

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HCT notices

Each week we receive notices from Horsham Churches Together. You can find this week's notices in the <u>link here</u>. This week they include:

News:

- HCT Worship & Prayer evening
- News from Horsham Eco Churches
- Coming up at Dalesdown Christian Conference Centre
- Alpha in the Autumn

- 'The Bereavement Journey' in the Autumn
- Disability awareness Sunday

Harvest Appeals:

- Horsham Matters: Celebrating the Season of Giving
- Turning Tides Harvest Food Appeal

Events:

- Saturday 27th September: Brew it fair
- Saturday 27th September: Glorious food, glorious planet (Vegan fest, Apple day & Sussex Green Hub)
- Friday 10th October: Community Anti-racism conference
- Saturday 11th October: The Oasis 'Quiz of all Quizzes'
- Thursday 16th October: RISE: event for women hosted at Dalesdown
- Thursday 16th October: History of Holy Trinity Church, Horsham
- Saturday 18th October: HDAS Charity quiz night
- Advance notice of HCT events

Prayer of the week: Fairtrade Fortnight

Employment opportunities:

- Turning Tides: Project workers
- Turning Tides: Senior Project worker
- TeachBeyond: Part-time bookkeeper and office administrator
- Horsham Matters: Part-time Catering & Administration Role

Volunteering Opportunities:

- Horsham Matters
- Dalesdown maintenance
- YMCA DownsLink Group: Volunteer Chaplains
- Trustees required at The Oasis

Please note:

Whilst HCT carefully chooses these events and notices because they hope they will be

useful to you and your church family, they are not directly responsible for the content from external groups and organisations.

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Dalesdown Open Day Wednesday 8th October

10am until 1pm

The day will include a chance to view their facilities, experience the beautiful setting and views, and discuss how they might be able to host any forthcoming events you might be planning.

Presentations will run at 10:30am and 12pm; Guided tours at 11am and 12:30pm

Refreshments will be provided.

Tickets are free but please email to book your place

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Harvest Barn Dance

Saturday 11th October

6pm - 10pm

At Holy Trinity Church

Tickets £15 - includes Ploughman's Supper
(Children under 12 are free)
Raffle
Please bring your own drinks

Tickets are available on <u>their website</u>, or through the HCT office (open Thursdays 9:30am-11:30am) or you can email.

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If you need to contact our Pastor, Jon White, his number is 07513 821549 or email jon.white@trbc.info (please note his day off is Saturday).

If you want to email all the leaders, please send it to leaders@trbc.info and all the leaders will receive your email.

The Church Office number is 01403 240729.

If you need to contact Faith, our administrator, email admin@trbc.info

If you need to contact Emily, our housekeeper, email housekeeper@trbc.info.

Her working hours are Monday and Friday 9:30am until 2:30pm.

If you have any safeguarding concerns, you can contact Rachel White, our Designated Person for Safeguarding, via email at safeguarding@trbc.info or by contacting our safeguarding leader, Kay Chesters, via email at kay.chesters@trbc.info

He gives power to the faint, and to him who has no might he increases strength.

Isaiah 40v29

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