TRAFALGAR ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Newsflash

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Highlight of the week

One week to go until our Harvest service!

Don't forget: if you would like to donate to the Horsham Matters Foodbank, bring it with you on 25th October.

Upcoming Sunday

Gathering information

Pre-service prayer

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 our website

18th October 2026
Our time together will be led by church member Faith Aldridge.
Our Pastor, Jon White will be speaking on 'Rooted and Built Up'
from Colossians 2v1-15.

25th October 2026
Our time together will be led by our Pastor, Jon White.
Retired minister, Kath Jones, will be speaking on 'Growing Up,
Not Showing Off' from Colossians 2v16-23.
We will also be celebrating Harvest.
7:30pm Prayer & Praise Evening

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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Regular TRBC Events & Meetings

Upcoming Dates for Regular TRBC Events & Meetings

Revive - Monday 19th October
Trafalgar Community Choir - Monday 19th October - 7:15pm
Trustees' meeting - Tuesday 20th October - 6pm
Renew Cafe - Wednesday 21st October
The Welcome afternoon tea - Thursday 22nd October
Worship Group - Thursday 22nd October - 7:30pm
Friday Youth - Friday 23rd October
Prayer & Praise Evening - Sunday 25th October
Board Games afternoon - Saturday 7th November

Revive

Revive is a Bible Study Group for students in years 10-13. They meet weekly (during term time) on Mondays between 7pm and 8:30pm, upstairs in our Prayer Room.

They start with snacks and a catch-up from the week. They talk about where God has been at work and discuss any conversations they've had about faith. Then they go into the Bible and pray together, followed by some social time.

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.

The Welcome — Cake, Tea and a Chat

This takes place on the third Thursday of each month, with the next on
15th October, 2:30pm until 4:30pm

All are welcome
No need to book - just turn up
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!!

Friday Youth

Friday Youth is a youth group that normally meets on the second and fourth Friday nights during term time, from 7:30pm to 9pm for those at secondary school.

On the second Friday, we join with the Revive group for an outing.

On the fourth Friday, we meet in the church building for games and activities.

Our next meeting is on **Friday 23rd October**.

If you would like to help with the group, please send the team an email at fridayyouth@trbc.info

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Prayer & Praise Evening

Our next prayer & praise evening will be on **Sunday 25th October**.
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.

Board Games Afternoon

Join us for a board game or two!

Come on your own, with family or friends

Bring your own game(s) or use one from the games library

1st Saturday of the month

7th November

1pm - 5pm

Snacks and cold drinks available

Pick up a flier from reception or speak to Caroline for more information.

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Prayer

Praise & Prayer points for this week

Praise & Prayer points for this week…

Mon 19th: Think of something specific that the Lord taught or showed you yesterday in TRBC. Share it with a friend & pray together (if possible).
Tue 20th: Pray for the Trustees meeting tonight as they review our budget for next year. Pray they see anything that isn't right!
Wed 21st: Thank the Lord for Emma Jones, whom God used to bless us recently (as she gave us her whole day) through the Prophecy Workshop.
Thur 22nd: In this harvest season, pray for BMS to have wisdom to help in any nation with a shortage.
Fri 23rd: Ask the Lord to bless & encourage our young people as they meet this evening.

Pray they can enjoy a fun time together!

Sat 24th: This is our TRBC Harvest Weekend! In light of all the Lord has blessed us with, may we be a people of great generosity!

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Upcoming One-off TRBC Events

October's Social Cycle Ride
Light Party Disco

October's Social Cycle Ride

Our next ride will be on **Saturday, 17 October**, starting at TRBC at 10 am. This time will be a little different: a shorter ride to Sumner's Ponds Lakeside Cafe at Barns Green. It's just under 13 miles for the whole trip on mostly quiet country lanes and a few short off-road sections, including up to Southwater. Everyone is welcome, including under-16s, as long as they are accompanied and can cover the distance.

It doesn't matter what bike you have (old, new or electric), as long as it will cope with a gravel track. Speak to me, or email if you are interested, so that I know who to expect.

Graham grahamsward+trbc@gmail.com

Light Party Disco

Sunday 1st November
6:15pm until 7:15pm (SEN-friendly from 6pm)

Fun for the whole family, including soft play, a parent cafe, a tuck shop, and more!

An alternative to Halloween

Please take a poster to advertise in your home window. Leaflets are also available at the reception desk for you to invite others.

If you would like to make a financial gift to help run this event, please put it in a marked envelope in the offering basket, or speak to our bookkeeper about making a direct transfer.

If you would like to help on the day, please speak to Rachel White.

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Mission

Link to Hope Shoebox Appeal - Update
Harvest Service

Link to Hope - Update

Thank you for all the donations we have received. We now have plenty of soap, crayons, notebooks and knitted items.

We especially **need** combs, hairbrushes, flannels, small toys and games, sweets and chocolate dated past June 2027, small soft toys that wouldn't take up too much space in a shoebox (with CE label and washed if not new) and tealight holders or small candles.

The shoeboxes will be delivered to Link to Hope in the first week of November, so can we have all donations by Sunday 25th October, please.

A list of suggested items

Our harvest service will be on **Sunday 25th October,** and we'll be collecting donations for Horsham Food Bank.

We will have a table in the church building for you to place your items on. You can find out what food the organisation are looking for through their website. Or you can pick up a list from the Information Table on Sundays.

If you would prefer to give a monetary donation, please visit this link.

Please consider how you might contribute to this work through prayer.

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TRBC Information, News and Updates

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Leaders Elections

Nominations are now open for our leaders' elections!

Any Church member (over 18 and 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 **5 vacancies** on the leadership team. Please prayerfully think about who you could ask to stand or whether you would be willing to stand yourself.

Please make nominations, along with a proposer and seconder, in writing on the clipboard. This will be made available Sunday mornings.

More detailed information on the leaders' election process is also with the sign-up sheet.

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

Nominations will close on Sunday 8th November, after the service.

Emergency Contacts

The leadership team has considered pastoral and emergency response to trauma during church services.

In the event of an incident, a leader or first aider may call the emergency services. The leader(s) present may be asked by ambulance paramedics for the emergency contact(s) of the person involved in the incident. The emergency contact is often a close relative or friend.

We are therefore asking anyone who regularly attends the church to consider providing emergency contact details for someone who won't be in the building, so we can contact them in the event of an emergency during the church service.

Please read our Privacy Notice regarding how we will handle the information you provide.

We will then need the following details:
Their name, relationship to you, and telephone number (mobile preferred).

If you are comfortable providing your emergency contact details, please send them to the Church Administrator, Faith Aldridge, at administrator@trbc.info, or fill in the card on Sunday and place it in the box on the Information Desk. She will record them securely.

It is entirely your decision whether or not to provide them.

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 online here, or fill in the paper copy, which is available on the Information Table on Sundays.

Mission, Vision & Values

Our **Mission** is **'Following Jesus. Serving our Community'**

Our current **Vision**, which we feel we are being called to, is **'To be a God-centred and family-focused community that helps everyone meet Jesus'**
You can read more about our journey toward this vision in our Vision Booklet.

Our **Values** are to be **Welcoming, Caring, Listening & Sharing**

Prayer Chain

The prayer chain is an email system that informs the church of prayer requests.

If you would like to send a prayer request or become a recipient of these emails, please email prayer@trbc.info.

If you send a prayer request, please do send a follow-up email to update people on the situation or to let them know if you've recognised the prayer being answered in a particular way.

Mick Duplock manages the prayer chain, and he monitors it between 9am-6pm each day.

If you have an urgent prayer request you want sent outside these hours, please contact Jon White 07513 821549 or Kay Chesters.

If you want to start receiving prayer chain emails, please send an email to the address above with 'Subscribe' in the subject line.

The Fellowship Fund

As a church we have some money set aside, which is given to those in financial need at the discretion of Pastor Jon and is confidential. If you are aware of a situation in which financial assistance from the Fellowship Fund could help, please speak to Pastor Jon directly.

You can also give money to be used specifically for the Fellowship Fund. You can put

money in the offering, in an envelope clearly marked ‘Fellowship Fund’ and we will make sure it is used only for that purpose.

Contact us

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

If you have any enquiries or want to make any comments about Accessibility in our building or any of the activities which are hosted within it, please either speak directly with our Accessibility Coordinator, Sue Ward, or you can email her at accessibility@trbc.info

“How great you are, Sovereign Lord! There is no one like you, and there is no God but you, as we have heard with our own ears.

2 Samuel 7v22

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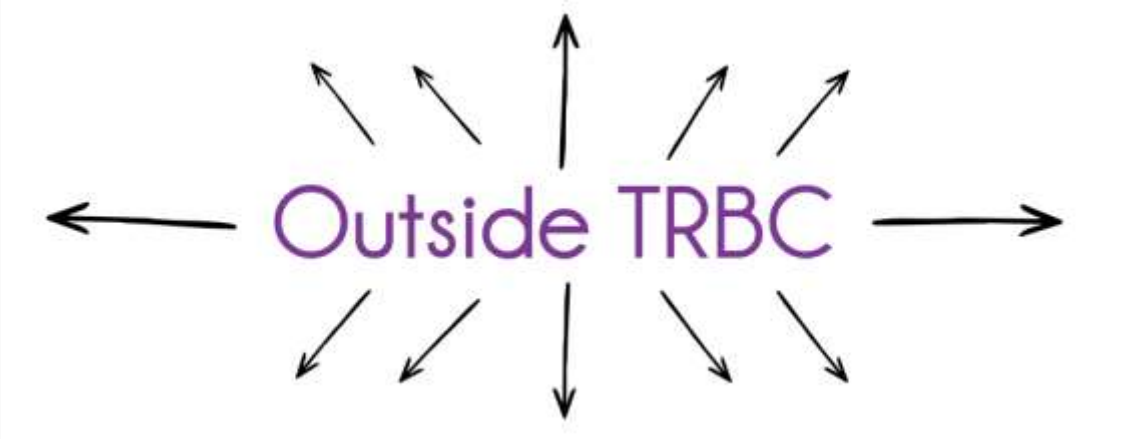

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HCT notices

Each week, we receive notices from Horsham Churches Together. Sign up to receive them straight into your inbox. You can find this week's notices at the link here. This week, they include:

News:

- Turning Tides Impact
- Sharing Jesus this Halloween
- Prayer for the persecuted church

Events:

- Tonight! Friday 16th October: The Autumn Harmony Concert
- Saturday 17th October: Come & Sing - Fun free Choir Session
- Saturday 17th October: HDAS Charity Bingo Evening
- Saturday 17th October: My Sussex Village
- Monday 19th October: CAP Money Coaching Courses
- Tuesday 20th October: Stone and Glass Painting Workshop
- Thursday 22nd October: Community Anti-Racism Conference
- Wednesday 28th October: Messy Church in Warnham
- Saturday 31st October: Light in the Darkness - Beach Party!

- Saturday 31st October: Women Spending Time with God
- Monday 9th November: SEND Family Hub
- Saturday 14th November: God's Lavish Grace Conference
- Wednesday 25th November: 'Left to their own devices' Care for the Family event
- Saturday 30th January 2027: Made For You Women's Conference

Christmas Events:

- Saturday 7th November: Greeting Card Workshops
- Saturday 7th November: Christmas Craft Fair
- Saturday 28th November: Lifespring Christmas Fair
- Saturday 28th November: St Margaret's Christmas Bazaar
- Friday 4th December: Horsham Matters Magic of Christmas Concert 2026
- Saturday 5th December: Carols in the Carfax
- Sunday 6th December: Borough Band Christmas Concert
- Tuesday 15th until Sunday 20th December: The Nativity at Wintershall

Prayer of the week: For our nation during the National Week of Prayer.

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.

Eco Tips Calendar 2026 - October

A Rocha UK is a Christian Charity working to protect and restore the natural world and is committed to equipping Christians and churches in the UK to care for the environment.

They have produced an Eco Tips Calendar for 2026, featuring fresh ideas each month and helping foster a lasting commitment to a greener lifestyle. Sustainability isn't a one-time effort; it's a continuous journey. Small actions can lead to significant impact. Everyone can contribute, regardless of their lifestyle or schedule.

October's Eco Tip

Greening your home this Autumn. Tackle climate change and reduce your heating bills by

finding and reducing the draughts in your home. Find the gaps that let cold air in and warm air out (keyholes, letterboxes, and gaps around windows, doors, loft hatches, and floorboards, for example). Do what you can to fix these gaps - there are lots of tutorials on how to do this online. It's also a good time to prepare for winter by putting radiator reflector foil or baking foil behind the radiator. This will reflect heat back into your room.

For more eco-tips, practical ways to enjoy, nurture and defend nature, sign up to A Rocha UK's Wild Christian email.

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