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TRAFALGAR ROAD BAPTIST CHURCH  
Newsflash



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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 [our website](#)

### **7th December 2025**

Church member, Trevor Tilley, will be leading our time together.  
Our Pastor, Jon White, will be speaking on 'Be a Witness to the Light'  
from John 1v5-13.

### **14th December 2025**

Church member, Steve Strange, will be leading our time together.  
Our Pastor, Jon White, will be speaking on 'Live Like the Light is with Us'  
from John 1v14-18.

We will also be sharing communion together.

**7:30pm Advent Prayer Meeting**

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### **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 8th December - 7:15pm until 9pm - Trafalgar Community Choir

Tuesday 9th December - 4:30pm until 6pm - Revive

Wednesday 10th December - 10am until 12pm - Renew Café

Thursday 11th December - 2:30pm until 4:30pm - The Welcome Afternoon Tea

Thursday 11th December - 7:30pm until 9:30pm - Worship Group

Friday 12th December - 7:30pm until 9pm - Friday youth

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### **Revive Student Group**

Our Student Small Group, which meets on a Tuesday (term time), 4:30pm - 6pm,  
is now called Revive!

It is for those in school years 10-13. They talk about where God has been at work, discuss  
any conversations they've had about faith, and go into the Bible and pray together.

The group are looking for at least one more leader to help. If you are interested in helping,  
please speak to Pastor Jon.

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### **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](mailto:jon.white@trbc.info)

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### **Praise & Prayer points for this week...**

**Mon 8th:** Pray for the Lord's anointing on Jon as he takes his "Christmas in 3 Words" into the town this month, especially on Sun Dec 14th. Pray for positive responses!

**Tue 9th:** Pray for the young people meeting in Revive this evening. Pray God will give them opportunities to talk to school and college friends this Christmas about their faith.

**Wed 10th:** Thank the Lord for the many opportunities we have to witness for Him in the town. Pray God will work in hearts leading to souls being saved!

**Thur 11th:** The Open Doors World Watch List 2026 will be out on Sunday. Ask the Lord to inspire MPs for the best way they can respond. (They can have huge influence!)

**Fri 12th:** Pray the Lord's blessings on Holy Trinity Church (Rushams Road) as they celebrate 125 years of witness this weekend.

Please also pray for our young people as they meet tonight.

**Sat 13th:** Ask the Lord's blessings on our meeting tomorrow morning

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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

**11th December**, 2:30pm until 4:30pm

NB This is the second Thursday of December!

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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### **Prayer evening during Advent**

Our next prayer evening will be **14th December**. As we enter into the second part of Advent, we will continue to pray for our Christmas outreaches and services.

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

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### **Christmas with TRBC**

We have a variety of Christmas events, services and outreach opportunities during December. A printed list of the events will be available on the Information Table on Sundays or available from Faith in the office. The flyer on the welcome desk in reception is for you to give to those you'd wish to invite.

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### **Christmas services**

On Sunday mornings through Advent (30th Nov - 14th Dec) we are looking at the start of the Gospel of John, Jesus is the Light, to help equip us to have evangelistic conversations this Advent.

#### **Saturday 6th December – 11:30am**

HCT carol service in the Carfax

#### **Sunday 21st December – 10:30am**

Nativity service

#### **Sunday 21st December – 7:30pm**

Carol service

#### **Christmas Eve – 11:30pm**

Reflective service

**Christmas Day – 10am**  
Family Christmas Day service

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**Prayer**

Please pray for our assemblies team as they go into a local school in December to tell them the Christmas story:

Monday 8th December - Greenway Juniors

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**Outreach**

**Sunday 7th December** - After the service we will be delivering chocolate bars and invitations to Christmas services to houses and flats in the immediate area around the church building.

To do this, we need chocolate bars! If you would like to donate some, then please leave them in the box in the church kitchen marked 'TRBC Giveaway'.

**Carols in the community**

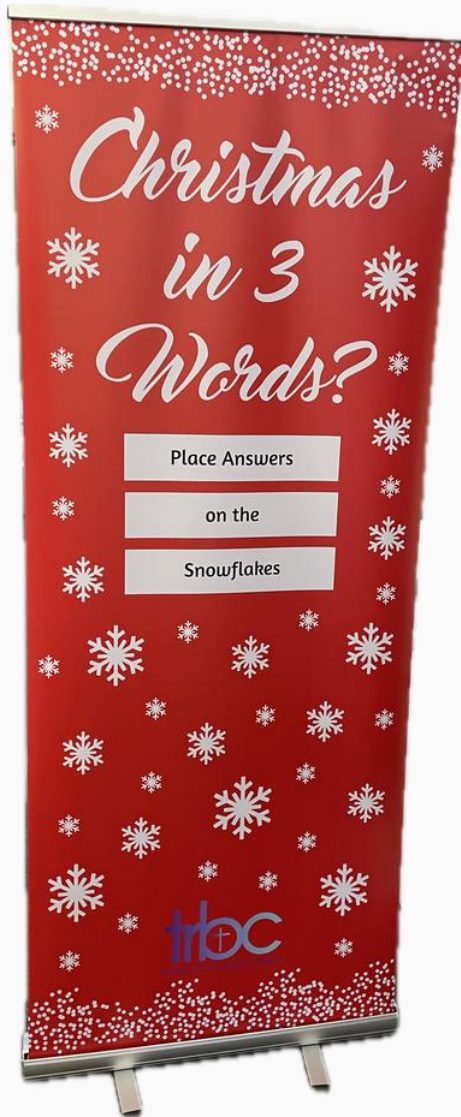
Come ready to sing some carols. Arrive 30 minutes before the start time. It would also be useful if you could put your name down on the sign-up sheet on the Information Table so we can inform the venues how many will be coming

**Monday 15th December 7pm** at Dog and Bacon pub

**Wednesday 17th December 2pm** at Leggyfield Court

**Friday 19th December 3pm** at Aspen Place

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### Christmas Street Evangelism

In December, Jon will be taking this banner to various places along with chocolates, tracts called 'Christmas in Three Words' and invitations to our Christmas services. If you are interested in coming into town with Jon during the week, please speak to him. Alternatively, the church are invited to join Jon in the Carfax on Sunday 14th December 2pm-3pm.

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**Trafalgar Community Choir**

**Trafalgar Community Choir** presents “**CHRISTMAS PUDDING TIME**”. A festive, fun-filled evening of songs, music, and delicious puddings!

7pm on **Saturday 13th December** at Trafalgar Road Baptist Church.

Tickets are £10 (children free), and all proceeds will go to St Catherine's Hospice.

To book your tickets, please contact Steve Davies on [steveldavies37@icloud.com](mailto:steveldavies37@icloud.com) or 07887 590052

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# Renew Café

at TRBC

## **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.

Please note that Renew will not be running on the 24th and 31st December.

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### **The Chosen - Season Five!**

We are going to be showing season five, which will begin on **9th January 2026**, on Friday evenings from **7:30pm - 9:30pm**. Due to Friday Youth meeting downstairs, we will use one of the rooms upstairs.

We will follow the format we used for season four. Each week, we will watch one episode followed, after a break for refreshments, by the Round Table discussion hosted by Dallas Jenkins.

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### **Upcoming Events in 2026**

We have a variety of events scheduled for 2026. Put them in your diary now! More information will come out at a later date.

**Sunday 18th January** – Board games afternoon for all ages, 3pm – 5pm

**Sunday 1st March** – Horsham Baptist together service

**Starting March** – Alpha Course

**Saturday 21st March** – Family film showing 'King of Kings' 3:30pm

**Easter Saturday, 4th April** – Easter extravaganza

**Saturday 13th June** – Community Fair TBC

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### **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.

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## 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**

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### **Church meeting headlines** - Sunday 23rd November 2025

Church members should have received a copy of the minutes from the last church meeting. If you haven't, please speak to Faith (printed copies will be given out on Sunday).

Below is a summary of the key headlines from the meeting:

Any other items in the meeting have been previously mentioned or are covered elsewhere in the newsflash.

- Jonathan West was elected as a leader. His term will start on the 1st January 2026.
- Homecalls were recorded of Anne Miller and George Baker, as well as the resignations of Stephen and Pam Wise.
- The upstairs toilet and flooring in the Worship Area have now been fixed. The roof has had a temporary repair. The dripping gutters will be looked at next year.
- The budget for 2026 was approved, with a small deficit.
- Verse for 2026 Isaiah 43v19 "See I am doing a new thing".

The next meeting will be on Sunday 1st February, following the service.

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Horsham Churches Together

### **HCT notices**

Each week we receive notices from Horsham Churches Together. You can find this week's notices in the [link here](#). This week they include:

#### **News:**

- Advent & Christmas Resources 2025
- Praying for our community, this Christmas and beyond
- Embracing Age's Winter Appeal
- Salvation Army, Christmas Appeal
- Horsham Matters, Christmas Appeal

#### **Events:**

HCT have collated this year's Christmas services and festive events run by our churches and charities into their online ["What's on at Christmas"](#) guide, full of community carolling, Christingles, festive fayres, concerts, Christmas services and much, much more.

- Saturday 6th December: Carols in the Carfax
- Saturday 10th January 2026: The Way of the Spirit
- Advance notice of HCT events

**Prayer of the week:** Prayer for carols in the Carfax

#### **Employment opportunities:**

- Horsham Matters: Frontline Administrator
- Horsham Matters: Retail Assistant - 20 hours per week

#### **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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#### **Partners in Mission Day - Save the date!**

An inspirational day conference designed to support and equip God's people for His mission.

**Saturday 25th April 2026**

10am until 3:30pm  
Crawley Baptist Church

Bookings will open in January. More information coming soon on the [SEBA website](#).

The key note speaker will be Roy Crown who previously led Youth for Christ, spearheaded the HOPE initiative and more recently launched "Gospel Entrepreneurs", which focuses on developing people who are inspired, energised and equipped to take a strong Christian lead in business, social justice and ministry.

The day will include missional stories of what God has been doing these past months across SEBA plus a whole new set of seminars for both leaders and church members... it's definitely an event for everyone.

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#### **TeachBeyond - Free items & items for sale**

TeachBeyond is downsizing its global office in Horsham and, due to reduced storage space, would like to offer, free of charge, a range of Biblical resources (including Bible commentaries, Biblical expositions, books on Christian living). You can view a list of the books, including photos, [here](#).

They also have a variety of bits of furniture for sale, which you can [view here](#).

If you're interested in any of the items, please speak to [Clive](#).

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**125 Celebrations Weekend**

Celebrating 125 years of Holy Trinity Church

**Friday 12th December**

**7:30pm**

Horsham Borough Band Christmas Concert

Tickets £15 (children under 12 are free)

**Saturday 13th December**

**10am until 3pm**

Christmas Tree Festival

There will be intervals of music, activities for children and refreshments.

**Saturday 13th December**

**5pm until 7pm**

Firepit carols

Includes the re-dedication of the Holy Trinity Bell Tower

Mulled wine, hot soup, hot dogs & mince pies

For more information, visit the [Holy Trinity Church website](#).

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If you need to contact our Pastor, Jon White, his number is 07513 821549  
or email [jon.white@trbc.info](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:admin@trbc.info)

If you need to contact Emily, our housekeeper, email [housekeeper@trbc.info](mailto: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](mailto:safeguarding@trbc.info) or by contacting our safeguarding leader, Kay Chesters, via email at [kay.chesters@trbc.info](mailto:kay.chesters@trbc.info)

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"This is the day that the Lord has made; let us  
rejoice and be glad in it."

Psalm 118v24

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