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Sunday 16th November



9.45am - Prayerfield @ manse

10.30am - Morning service

Led by Dave Parr

Practicing the way – the 'Fasting' Practice

4 - 6pm - Musicians' Practise



Mid-Week

Wednesday 19th November

9.15am - Mid-week Prayerfield

10.30am - Oasis Coffee Morning

1.30pm - Bearcubs toddler group

7pm - '@ no 19' Evening Homegroup

7pm - Ladies Evening Homegroup



Friday 21st November

7pm - TGI

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Saturday 22nd November

7pm - Bearfield Boardgames – see notice on how to sign up to come

If you have anything for the newsletter, please email Sarah-Ann by Wednesday on admin@bearfield.org

Next Week

Sunday 23rd November

9.45am - Prayerfield @ manse



10.30am - Morning service

With Dave Parr leading and preaching on

Genesis 24 – 'Isaac and Rebekah - Initiative and Guidance'

7pm - Choir Practise



Tuesday 25th November

10.30am - Morning Homegroup



Wednesday 26th November

9.15am - Mid-week Prayerfield



1.30pm - Bearcubs toddler group

7pm - '@ no 19' Evening Homegroup

8pm - Ladies Evening Homegroup



Thursday 27th November

7.30pm - 'Top of town' Evening Homegroup



Friday 28th November

7pm - TGI



Saturday 29th November

10.30am - Advent coffee, cake and craft – see notice

2.30 pm Memorial service for Mary Bayton

7pm - SOS – @ Tom and Liz's



Sunday 30th November

9.45am - Prayerfield @ manse



10.30am - Morning service

Led by Dave Parr with Joy Robertson preaching

7pm - Choir Practise



Thank you so much Bearfield family

for your amazing response to the Harvest for the Hungry Appeal this year. I have been blown away by your creativity and generosity. I hope you were encouraged too. There was a lovely hustle and bustle and it was amazing to see all those things made, created and grown. Praise God – for the amazing total of £4228.35 raised by Bearfield Church family for Harvest for the Hungry!

I have written a short poem in the spirit of creativity as a thank you....

Flowers, plants and pavola, cakes, jams and fruit jewellery, cards and more, something every taste to suit.

What a show of God's creativity at Bearfield The Harvest make, create and grow did show Raising funds for Harvest for the Hungry Creativity and generosity abundantly flowed.

Thank you to all who made, To those who created and grew Thank you to all who worshipped, donated To you all, a big thank you.

James

Happy Birthday to

Zoe Yeomans, James Vaughton
Michael Leat, Justin Burvill
and Paul Weymouth
who has their birthdays this week





Newsletter from Boris and Ursa NOVEMBER 2025 | PODGORICA, MONTENEGRO



Greetings

We're excited to say we held the wedding in our church. Our beloved member and dear friend Daniela got married. We prayed for this for a long time (she waited for fourteen years). God brought her a husband from North Macedonia, a man called Gojko, full of love for Christ and for people. We're grateful for him. We still don't know whether they'll stay in Montenegro or go to Skopje. We pray for a clear calling, and we believe God will show them quickly. Until then, they're here with us and are a blessing to our church.







The second thing that we give glory to God is that we got permission to rebuild the water system in our church. Since Pastor Jovica Bačvanski bought our church building, we have had a problem with plumbing. The water system was not done correctly, and we pay a bill every month for our church and for our neighbours. Our monthly bill is huge, but we were unable to fix this problem for so many years. Boris was writing letters and visiting their office often, but there was no solution. The only solution was to make an agreement with the neighbours, which was never done because they always said we are the church and we use a lot of water, which was not true at all. We use a very small amount of water (we have installed our water consumption meter, but they didn't care). We're excited that this problem can be solved soon, and our relationships with our neighbours will be better. We're still waiting for permission from the city of Podgorica, but we believe we'll get it soon.

Since September 2025, we have been offering free tutoring in maths for children. We called children from churches and from one primary school in Podgorica. We believe it's a great way to change the view that Montenegrins have about Protestantism if we start breaking those strongholds when people are still young. We believe great things can happen if we start investing in children.

This Saturday in Podgorica, a big conference is being held, and we have the honour to lead the worship. We're excited and we're grateful to God for this opportunity. Since we're not professionals, we're just self-learned musicians.

Thank you for your work in the Kingdom and for representing us and our work in the Kingdom in Montenegro.

May God bless you

Boris and Ursa





Pray for

- The recruitment of a children and youth or family and community worker and those involved in the process (the closing date for applications is 28th Nov)
- · Wisdom and guidance for Bearfield, the BLT and Trustees
- · Those within our church who are struggling with health
- · Libby Butler and Paul Robertson whose mums has recently passed
- Paul Weymouth, Dee Way, Jane Mbanacele and Gisela Leat
- Year 11 students who have mock exams at the moment

Dates for the diary

Saturday 29th November

2.30 pm Memorial service for Mary Bayton





Sunday 14th December

10.30 am Nativity service

Sunday 21st December

6 pm Carol service

Friday 22th - 22nd March 2026

Youth Weekend Away @ Rock Uk Summit Centre, nr Merthyr Tydfil

(Please return forms to SA ASAP)



Saturday 18th April 2026

2 – 7 pm Wilderness Worship – run by WOLT and WYFC for years 7-1. (rescheduled)

Friday 24th - 26th April 2026

Church Weekend Away @ Hill House Christian Centre (more information coming soon)

Dominic's message on Remembrance - Sunday 9th November



"This is my commandment; that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down his life for his friends".

Last year, Justin spoke of those who served and gave their lives for their friends, and all of us generations to come, on the Normandy beaches. Members of my own family served there and elsewhere before, during and after World War 2. I am a service brat, and lucky enough to be the first in four generations of my family to not to have had to serve in uniform.

80 years on from the end of the Second World War, for most of us armed conflict has become something remote, on the news, or social media or playing Call of Duty. It can be easy to question why Remembrance should continue to be marked, or to consign it to the past.

We are immensely privileged that that's the case. Since 1945, 7,193 UK service personnel have died on operations across the world. Young men and women in this country still serve and keep us safe. Many of them do so, as my dad did, not from a will to fight and kill but because they need a job. War, in democracies, is most often fought by the poor kids. And in other places there is no choice.

Since 1945 there has not been one true year of peace. Since I was born in 1981, we've had the Falklands, wars in Iraq and seen horrific bloodshed in places like Somalia, Rwanda and Sierra Leone. James will talk shortly about his experience in the Balkans – a part of the world that was torn apart throughout the 1990s. And then came the conflagrations after 9/11 and into the present day.

In this country, we have been lucky, and we are protected. Remembrance is a chance to reflect on those who protect us, and to remember all those lives lost in violent conflict and consider just how lucky we have been.

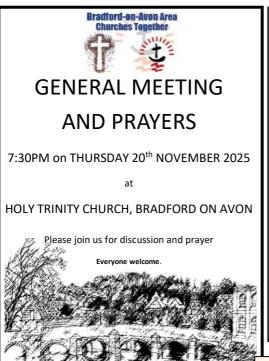
"I send you out as sheep amid the wolves," Matthew 10:16 tells us, "so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves". At a time where aspiring dictators attempt to re-write history, subvert belief, undermine democracy and once again sow division and hatred, we must be wise.

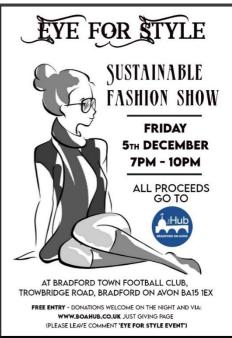
As we are innocent, yet we must not forget. When genocide has gone from 'never again' in 1945 to a new one every decade, from Bosnia and Rwanda to Sudan to Gaza, we must remember. For our children, we must remember.

Deuteronomy 32:7 calls on us: "Remember the days of old; consider the years of many generations; ask your father, and he will show you, your elders, and they will tell you".

Lest we forget.

Community Events





Thanksgiving Service to celebrate the life of Cannon David Driscoll at Holy Trinity Church, Bradford on Avon

on Friday 28th November @ 2pm Following the service the family would like to invite everyone to join them for light refreshments at the church.





Come and celebrate the start of advent with coffee, cake and craft!

Date: 29th November (Saturday)

Time: 10:30AM-12:30PM

All ages welcome!





Free monthly boardgames evenings in Bradford-on-Avon

At Bearfield Church hall, Huntingdon St

Launch night 22nd November 2025 7:00-9:30pm

We have loads of games and can help you learn them

Feel free to bring and share any of your own favourite games

Hot drinks provided, bring your own snacks / BYOB

Aimed at adults, 16+ welcome with parent/guardian

Hosted by Warren & Liz from Bearfield Church for the whole community

Join our meetup.com group to RSVP

https://www.meetup.com/bearfield-boardgames



