

St John the Baptist Church in Shedfield



The United Benefice of St John the Baptist, Shedfield
and St Nicholas, Wickham



Monthly Service Pattern

	8.00am	10.00am	Afternoon / Evening
1 st Sunday of the Month		Wickham : Communion (Benefice Choir)	
2 nd Sunday of the Month	Shedfield : Holy Communion	Shedfield : The Sunday Service (Benefice Choir / Music Group)	6.00pm Evensong (alternates between Shedfield and Wickham) (Benefice Choir)
3 rd Sunday of the Month	Wickham : Holy Communion	Wickham : The Sunday Service (Benefice Choir / Music Group)	
4 th Sunday of the Month		Shedfield : Communion (Benefice Choir)	
5 th Sunday of the Month <i>(from Jan 2022)</i>	Wickham : Holy Communion	Shedfield : Café Church (Music Group)	Time TBC : Wickham CofE Primary School : Messy Sunday

What kind of services are available on Sundays?

8.00am – Holy Communion A communion service using Common Worship order 2 (traditional language), lasting about 45 minutes and including a short reflection on the readings set for the day in the Revised Common Lectionary.

10.00am – Being Church Together: Communion Communion at St Nicholas, Wickham (usually on the first Sunday at the month) using Common Worship (order 2) and often with the Thorne Mass setting, led by the choir. On 'fourth Sundays of the month' a free return minibus service to church in Shedfield leaves St Nicholas' carpark at 9.30am. Communion at Shedfield is less formal and includes plenty quiet time, an informal address by one of the ministry team and hymns and songs accompanied by the music group. Both services last for around an hour.

10.00am – Being Church Together: The Sunday Service Around 45 minutes long and exploring the day's set readings, a theme or issue, The Sunday Service is an eclectic mix of songs, stories, sound and silence.

10.00am – Sung Matins Choir-led, Book of Common Prayer Matins is a feature of 'fifth Sunday of the month' worship at St Nicholas, Wickham.

10.00am – Café Church On the 'fifth Sunday of the month' there's Bible study, conversation and prayers at the Shedfield Study Centre next door to the church. Coffee and croissants are available and the music group really enjoys leading worship with a variety of hymns and songs old and new.

6.00pm – Once a month, the two church choirs combine to lead traditional-language Evensong, which includes congregational hymns and a sermon.

Mindful of continuing concerns of members of the congregation post-pandemic, after-church refreshments are not being served at the moment. The wearing of face coverings in church is strongly recommended, and spaced seating is always available in both churches for those who are preferring to maintain social distancing.

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