

## Central to the village... Events space and hall hire

Your space for memorable events ...

Welcome to our charming **Small Hall**, perfect for intimate gatherings of up to 16 guests. This versatile space features an array of small tables and chairs, allowing you to create the ideal layout for your event. Amenities include convenient coffee and tea making facilities, a well equipped small kitchen, and a tidy WC, ensuring that all your needs are met for a comfortable experience. Whether it's a meeting, workshop, or celebration, our Small Hall provides the perfect backdrop for your occasion. Don't miss out on this fantastic venue!



Introducing our impressive **Large Hall**, a versatile space designed to accommodate a range of activities. Perfectly marked out for badminton, this expansive venue can comfortably host up to 16 large tables and 60 chairs, making it ideal for both events and sports activities. Enhancing the experience, you'll find a well equipped kitchen featuring a convenient water boiler and a Range Cooker, perfect for catering to your needs. Additionally, the Large Hall includes standard WC facilities as well as an accessible WC, ensuring comfort for all guests. This is an exceptional opportunity to secure a spacious venue that caters to both leisure and function—don't miss out!



Experience our stunning **Balconied Auditorium**, an impressive space with a larger capacity perfect for a variety of events. This elegant venue is used for worship every Sunday, providing a serene atmosphere for reflection and community connection. Beyond its regular use, the auditorium is also available for community events, public meetings, and concerts, making it a versatile choice for gatherings of all types. With its inviting design and excellent acoustics, this auditorium is sure to enhance any occasion. Don't miss the opportunity to make this remarkable space the backdrop for your next event!



**For event space hire or further details please contact:  
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# Long Buckby

## Newsletter Spring 2026



At this time of year, open fields and bright skies invite us outdoors. There is something timeless about watching a kite catch the wind; lifting, dipping, and soaring far above us, held steady by an unseen force.

Though invisible, the wind makes its presence known in movement, energy, and direction.

Pentecost speaks into that same experience. The disciples gathered in uncertainty and waiting, yet everything changed when the Holy Spirit came upon them. God's presence moved among them like a rushing wind, filling them with courage, wisdom, and new purpose. What had seemed

fragile and grounded was suddenly lifted into something bold and life giving.

**Jesus had promised them:**

“ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth. ”

Acts 1:8

To the ends of the earth, as we see kites carried high on the breeze this spring, we are reminded that the Spirit still moves among us guiding,

strengthening, and drawing us beyond fear into the freedom and hope found in Christ.

Amen to that!



**“Like a kite lifted by the wind, we rise higher when we trust ourselves to the movement of the Spirit.”**

**Inspired by Acts 2**

## Places to be, and things to make and do

Not everything costs a lot of money...

Date	Services held at Long Buckby URC - Worship is lead by a team of ministers and lay preachers
All services at 11am unless otherwise stated	
03/05/2026	John Perkins
10/05/2026	Andrew Howes with Holy Communion
17/05/2026	Andrew Howes
24/05/2026	Bobbie Wakeleigh Jones
31/05/2026	Joint Service at Creaton
07/06/2026	Norman Chandler with Holy Communion
14/06/2026	Wendy Pitman
21/06/2026	Lucy Faulkner
28/06/2026	Andrew Howes

### All-Age Spring and Pentecost Kite Celebration

Celebrate Spring and Pentecost with a joyful "Kite Celebration" for all ages in your church grounds or a nearby open space. Begin by sharing the Pentecost story (Acts 2) in a lively, age-appropriate way through storytelling, drama, or simple interactive readings. Talk together about the wind of the Holy Spirit and how, though we cannot see the wind, we can see its power and movement. Then invite everyone to decorate and make simple kites using bright colours, ribbons, and flame shapes to represent Pentecost.

As families and groups fly their kites together, include a few reflective activities along the way:

- Write prayers or hopes on ribbon tails attached to the kites.
- Pause to thank God for the gift of the Holy Spirit and the signs of springtime around you.
- Share simple blessings or encouraging words while watching the kites soar in the wind.

Finish by gathering together for songs, prayers, and a shared picnic or refreshments. This uplifting activity connects the energy of spring with the wonder of Pentecost, reminding all ages that God's Spirit is always moving, guiding, and lifting us up today.

## Coming up soon...

Up coming events, come along and join in

**Whilton Warblers**  
present  
**A Summer afternoon**  
of songs  
**2:30pm Saturday**  
**4th July**

UNITED REFORMED CHURCH,  
BRINGTON ROAD,  
LONG BUCKBY, NN6 7RW

Entry £5.00 incl Refreshments  
Contact 07752 885900 or on the door  
Ticket proceeds to the church

Raffle on the night



### Coffee Mornings

1st Saturday of every month

10am - 11:30am

2nd May in aid of

Crossroads Domestic Abuse Charity

6th June in aid of

This Very Church

## Clubs and Groups

### Using our halls

Yoga

Badminton

Youth Organisations

Your Group

Our Hall

**Hall Hire from £15 per Hour**

**And Yes!**

Our large hall is high enough for a bouncy castle!

## Busker's Evening

Do you play, sing or recite? Come and show off your talents or just sit, watch and listen whilst enjoying a variety of performances

**June 12th**  
**7pm - 10pm**

Long Buckby United Reformed Church  
Brington Road  
NN6 7RW

Turn up on the evening, donation £1 on the door. Refreshments available, bring your own alcohol.