

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!



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As this summer goes on, the landscape carries both beauty and challenge. Grass grows pale beneath the heat, rivers run lower, and many gardens depend on careful watering. Yet even in the dryness there is life: sunflowers turn their faces to the light, bees continue their work, and evening birdsong rises as the air begins to cool.

Our church remains a place of shelter and refreshment—a quiet space where anyone may pause, rest, pray, or simply find a moment of peace away from the glare of the day.

We are especially thankful for all who care for the church grounds and buildings during these demanding weeks, tending plants wisely, welcoming visitors kindly, and helping to make this a place of comfort for the whole community.

God's Spirit is often seen in such practical acts: sharing water, checking on a neighbour, opening a door, offering shade, listening patiently. In ordinary kindness, grace becomes visible.

Hope this year is not found in pretending that conditions are easy. It is found in people who continue to care for one another, in communities that share what they have, and in the quiet confidence that God has not abandoned the world He loves.

So let us receive these summer days with gratitude and responsibility. May we enjoy their light, use their resources wisely, and become signs of Christ's compassion wherever we are. The story of God's love is still unfolding, and we are invited to help it flourish.



Long Buckby warmly welcomes the friends who have recently joined our growing congregation

"Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under trees on a summer's day... is by no means a waste of time."

John Lubbock

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
All services at 11am unless otherwise stated	
05/07/2025	Ruth Osbourne
12/07/2025	Margaret Hooper with Communion
19/07/2025	Martin Turnbull
26/07/2025	Tom Baird
02/08/2025	Pat and David Biddle
09/08/2025	Rev. Vic Webb
16/08/2025	Margaret Hooper
23/08/2025	Andrew Howes
30/08/2025	Rev. Geoff Townsend

All-Age Summer Cool Blessings Hunt

Take a gentle walk through your garden, local park, or churchyard and look for signs of God's care in the middle of hot summer days. This is a "Cool Blessings Hunt"—a peaceful way to notice refreshment, kindness, and hope all around us.

Here's how to do it: Take a notebook or use your phone to jot down (or draw) what you notice:

A shady tree

A cool breeze

A bird resting quietly

The sound of water

A kind word or helping hand

A drifting cloud, a buzzing bee, a laughing child

Older children and adults might write a short thank-you prayer for each blessing they find. Little ones can draw pictures or collect fallen leaves or petals (no picking live flowers, please!).

Optional: Bring your notes or drawings to church and add them to a "Summer Blessings Board" for all to enjoy!

When the weather is hot and dry, God's gifts can be found in every moment of refreshment. A patch of shade, a drink of water, a gentle breeze, or a caring smile can remind us that God is near, bringing peace and renewal to weary hearts.



Coming up soon...

Up coming events, come along and join in



Scarecrows, refreshments & Welly Wanging

join the fun in Long Buckby on 30th-31st August!

Look out for us offering refreshments with the scarecrows on the 30th august

and if that is not enough...

Welly Wanging at the Long Buckby Feast on the 31st of August



Coffee Mornings

1st Saturday of every month

10am - 11:30am

4th July in aid of

British Heart Foundation

1st August in aid of

Cynthia Spencer

All Welcome

Long Buckby URC



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Family Services

Every Sunday

11am

Clubs and Groups

Using our halls

Yoga

Badminton

Youth Organisations

Your Group

Our Hall

Hall Hire from £10 per hour

And Yes!

Our large hall is high enough for a bouncy castle!