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Article I: Of Faith in the Holy Trinity

I've decided to start a series exploring the 39 Articles of the Church of England; one each month. The 39 Articles of Religion are found in the back of the Church of England's prayer book: The Book of Common Prayer. They function as the theology, and statement of faith of the Church of England. Every minister in the Church of England makes a declaration of assent to the faith of the Church as, "borne witness to by the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion."

Article I concerns our faith in the Holy Trinity, and states: "There is but one living and true God, everlasting, without body, parts, or passions; of infinite power, wisdom, and goodness; the Maker, and Preserver of all things both visible and invisible. And in unity of this Godhead there be three Persons, of one substance, power, and eternity; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost."



One of the things most notable about God is how different from us he is. Where we are limited in time and space, God is everlasting and without body or parts. Where we find ourselves desperately uncontrollable in our emotions, God is not driven by his passions. Where we are weak and foolish, God is infinite in power and wisdom. Where we are capable of great evil, God is goodness to the core. In a word, God is perfect.

But God is also different from us in that God is a Trinity. The Holy Trinity is not a maths problem, but a wonderful and profound mystery. That God is a loving relationship of three: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, means that God is love in his very essence. God *is* love. God *is* relationship. God is not a lonely being, a monad. From all eternity the Father has loved the Son in the fellowship of the Spirit.

This is fantastically good news, because it means that creation was not necessary for God in order that he might have someone to love. No, God already loved within the Trinity from all eternity, and creation was instead an outpouring, an overflowing of that love. And the good news is that we are invited into this divine relationship!

For those who would like to explore the Thirty-nine Articles in more detail, an excellent book would be: The Faith We Confess: An Exposition of the Thirty-nine Articles by Gerald Bray.

FEBRUARY 2022

Day	Time	Service/Event	Venue
Tuesday 1st	10:30am	FiLL: John Bunyan Coffee Morning	Cranfield Church
Thursday 3rd	9:30am 4:00pm 7:30pm	Pitter-Patter Rock Solid Bell Ringing Practice	Village Hall Cranfield Church Cranfield Church
Friday 4th	1:30pm 7:30pm	Craft Group Walk House Close Home Group via Zoom – Contact Linda Pearson (<i>l.d.pearson@btinternet.com</i> – Tel. 751358)	Cranfield Church Zoom
Saturday 5th	6:30pm	Bedford Road Home Group	95 Bedford Road
Sunday 6th	9:00am 10:30am	Holy Communion - 1662 Prayer Book Morning Service (followed by Prayer Meeting)	Salford Church Cranfield Church
Monday 7th	7:30pm	Hulcote and Salford PCC Meeting	Maurice's House
Wednesday 9th		From Wednesday 9th until Friday 11th Isaac is away helping at a Year 4 School Residential. No Wednesday Service.	
Thursday 10th	9:30am 4:00pm 7:30pm	Pitter-Patter Rock Solid Bell Ringing Practice	Village Hall Cranfield Church Cranfield Church
Friday 11th	1:30pm 7:30pm	Craft Group	Cranfield Church Zoom
Saturday 12th	6:30pm	Bedford Road Home Group	95 Bedford Road
Sunday 13th	9:00am 10.30am	Holy Communion – 1662 Prayer Book Morning Service (with Holy Communion)	Hulcote Church Cranfield Church
Thursday 17th	7:30pm	Bell Ringing Practice	Cranfield Church
Friday 18th	1:30pm 7:30pm	Craft Group Walk House Close Home Group via Zoom – Contact Linda Pearson (<i>l.d.pearson@btinternet.com</i> – Tel. 751358)	Cranfield Church Zoom
Saturday 19th	6:30pm	Bedford Road Home Group	95 Bedford Road
Sunday 20th	9:00am 10.30am	Holy Communion - 1662 Prayer Book Morning Service	Salford Church Cranfield Church
Monday 21st	7:30pm	Cranfield Church PCC Meeting	Zoom/Phone
Wednesday 23rd	10:00am	Holy Communion Service	Cranfield Church
Thursday 24th	9:30am 4:00pm 7:30pm	Pitter-Patter Rock Solid Bell Ringing Practice	Village Hall Cranfield Church Cranfield Church
Friday 25th	1:30pm	Craft Group	Cranfield Church
Saturday 26th	6:30pm	Bedford Road Home Group	95 Bedford Road
Sunday 27th	9:00am 10.30am	Morning Prayer - 1662 Prayer Book Morning Service (with Holy Communion)	Hulcote Church Cranfield Church