

The Grapevine October 2017

News for the parishes of the Carlford Benefice

“Sing to the Lord”

As I was thinking about what to write I was starting the kneeler I volunteered to embroider for Clopton Church. The kneeler I chose has musical notes on it, and the words “Sing to the Lord.” As Doris said when I went to choose which one I wanted to do, “I thought you would do that, what with Fred (my husband, retired vicar and organist) playing the organ for us and you being a page turner.” I have helped Fred at weddings and other times by turning the pages when he is playing.

So here I am starting the kneeler and thinking, music and singing. We are very blessed to have people who will play the organ or piano at church, but there are occasions when it has to be karaoke, that is singing while being accompanied by CDs. Not easy, need to check the number of verses, will it be fast? Will everyone be able to hear the music? and for the person doing the music what track the hymn is on and remembering to have all the CDs and equipment ready for the service. It is great if you have Clare leading the service as she is an accomplished singer and can lead the music without the CDs.

Then I thought of the time St John’s College Cambridge Choir came to the prison where I work to run a workshop for the prisoners and how both the prisoners and the students learnt new songs together and performed them.

So why do we “Sing to the Lord,” what is the point? If you are one of my stepsons you would say, “There is no point I don’t like singing and that is the part of the service that I least enjoy.” For some people, the hymns are memories from school or church in the distant past. For others, there are opportunities to learn new hymns and songs.

Did you know that the longest running outside broadcast on the radio is Choral Evensong on Wednesday afternoons! It started over 90years ago on the 7th October 1926.

I recently wrote an essay for my Reader Course about the purpose of music within worship. I looked at Plainsong which is singing unaccompanied, and at that time sung by monks and nuns. Singing in church changed greatly through the ages, Bach’s cantatas, hymns by Charles Wesley (Hark! The herald angels sing), Timothy Dudley Smith (Lord, for the years), to today’s hymn-writers such as Matt Redman (The heart of worship) and Keith Getty (In Christ alone).

When I looked further into plainsong I discovered that it is still popular today with choirs like “The Sixteen” undertaking world tours and their tickets selling out within hours of going on sale, selling as quickly as Ed Sheeran concerts.

We read in both Matthew and Mark that the disciples and Jesus sang a hymn at the Last Supper. Monks used plainsong to sing psalms and canticles as the majority of people at that time would have been unable to read. Today we can go to different churches and find a wide variety of hymns, songs, choruses and meditative music. For some it is the music that decides if a person stays at a church or not.

Singing and praising God is very important in worship. Martin Luther, whose anniversary we celebrate this year, instructed people to meet midweek to learn hymns and practise their singing so that they could sing well on Sunday. Luther wrote, “After the Word of God, the noble art of music is the greatest treasure in the world.”

Singing can be a form of prayer, or putting it another way we can make our prayers into songs. Bishop J.C.Ryle, who was a vicar at Helmingham Church, said: “There is an elevating, stirring, soothing, spiritualising effect about a thoroughly good hymn, which nothing else can produce. It sticks in men’s memories when texts are forgotten. It trains men for heaven, where praise is one of the principal occupations. Preaching and praying shall one day cease for ever; but praise shall never die. The makers of good ballads are said to sway national opinion. The writers of good hymns, in like manner, are those who leave the deepest marks on the face of the church.”

“Oh sing to the Lord a new song;
sing to the Lord, all the earth!
Sing to the Lord, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.
Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvellous works among all the peoples!” (Psalm 96)

Jane Woods



Stalls In Grundisburgh Every Month

Autumn Catalogue now available

in St. Mary's church

including

Charity Christmas Cards

Buy Fairtrade Goods.

*Chocolate, Soap, Honey, Socks, Gifts
and much more*

Stalls at.....

Coffee Morning Parish Room
1st Saturday of the month 10.30

In St. Mary's 1st Sunday & 2nd Sunday
at 12.00 after morning service

Orders and information from Pat Fletcher
01473 735 775 p.j.fletcher45@gmail.com

“GOING DEEPER” HOMEGROUP

We meet at Manor Farm to study the Bible, pray and encourage each other to “go deeper” in our faith in Jesus together.

We will be meeting on
Wednesday 4th and 18th October
and thereafter every 1st and 3rd Wednesday
at 10am till 12 noon

For more details call Jan or John Bates
on 01473 892605

WHY NOT TAKE A LOOK AT OUR
NEW
WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGES AT

carlfordchurches.org
facebook.com/CarlfordChurches

BURGH EVENTS IN OCTOBER

Harvest Supper

Saturday 14th October at 6pm
The Barn Burgh House, courtesy of Bill and Jacqui
Mayne. Tickets in Advance £7.50 to include
a glass of wine or non- alcoholic drink
and a two-course hot meal.
Please contact Sally 01473 738877
or Anne 01473 735544

Soup Lunch

Burgh Schoolroom
Saturday 21st October 12.00 – 1.30pm
Homemade soups and rustic bread £3.50
Dessert £1.50



Ashbocking House Group

Please join us on
the 2nd and 4th Wednesday
of the month

This month it will be on
Wednesday the
11th and 25th October
at the home of

Linda and John Pollard
The Hawthorns, Ashley Grange,
The Green, Ashbocking

7.30pm

For further information please
call on Linda or John on
01473 890836

Carlford Groups

Social Groups

Baby Café – 3rd October 9.00am, Grundisburgh

Craft and Coffee – 3rd October 10.00am, Hasketon

Hasketon Community Lunch – 26th October 12.15pm, Hasketon

Hobbies Group – 4th October 10.00am, Clopton

Swapshop – 4th October 10.15am, Grundisburgh

Tiddlywinks – 12th October 2.30pm Grundisburgh

Prayer and Study Groups

Ashbocking House Group - 11th and 25th October 1.45pm, Ashbocking

Going Deeper – 4th and 18th October 10.00am Ashbocking

Grundisburgh Prayer Group – 9th October 5.00pm, Grundisburgh

Monday House Group – 16th October 7.30pm Grundisburgh

Pilgrim – 2nd, 9th and 16th October 7.00pm and 6th, 13th and 20th October 10.00am Grundisburgh



Baby Cafe

Tuesday 3rd October
9.00-10.30am

1st Tuesday of each month in
Grundisburgh Parish Room

Free Coffee / Tea / Biscuits

Plenty of buggy parking space & Car
parking in back lane, in front of church

For mums / dads / carers / babies /
toddlers

Drop older children off at school and
join us

A COURSE FOR THE CHRISTIAN JOURNEY

The **PILGRIM** groups begin again in
Grundisburgh

On **Monday 2nd, 9th and 16th October** 7.00pm at
The Upper Room, Grundisburgh

On **Friday 6th, 13th and 20th October** 10.00am
at the home of Sheila Snelling – 54 Gurdon
Road, Grundisburgh

Services Across The Carlford Benefice

October 1st 16th Sunday after Trinity

Exodus 17.1-7, Psalm 78.1-4, 12-16, Philippians 2.1-13, Matthew 21.23-32

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion | Grundisburgh | CS |
| 9.30am | Extended Holy Communion | Burgh | MC |
| 9.30am | Holy Communion | Hasketon | JW |
| 9.30am | Holy Communion | Swilland | CS |
| 11.00am | Extended Holy Communion | Boulge | BH |
| 11.00am | Harvest Festival | Grundisburgh | MC |
| 11.00am | Harvest Festival | Otley | CS |
| 12.45pm | Baptism | Grundisburgh | CS |

October 8th 17th Sunday after Trinity

Exodus 20.1-4, 7-9, 12-20, Psalm 19, Philippians 3.4b-14, Matthew 21.33-end

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion | Grundisburgh | CS |
| 9.30am | Holy Communion | Clopton | CS |
| 11.00am | Harvest Festival | Ashbocking | LP/JB |
| 11.00am | Morning Prayer | Boulge | Lay Led |
| 11.00am | Parish Eucharist | Grundisburgh | JW |
| 11.00am | Harvest Festival | Hasketon | CS |
| 12.30pm | Baptism of Benedict Brown | Otley | CS |

October 15th 18th Sunday after Trinity

Exodus 32.1-14, Psalm 106.1-6, 19-23, Philippians 4.1-9, Matthew 22.1-14

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion | Grundisburgh | CS |
| 9.30am | Morning Prayer | Hasketon | Lay Led |
| 9.30am | Holy Communion | Otley | CS |
| 11.00am | Holy Communion | Boulge | JW |
| 11.00am | Harvest Festival | Burgh | CS |
| 11.00am | Morning Prayer | Grundisburgh | BH |
| 11.00am | Family Service | Swilland | MC |

October 22nd 19th Sunday After Trinity

Exodus 33.12-end, Psalm 99, 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10, Matthew 22.15-22

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion | Grundisburgh | CS |
| 9.30am | Family Holy Communion | Hasketon | CS |
| 11.00am | Family Service | Clopton | FW/JaneW |
| 11.00am | Family Holy Communion | Grundisburgh | CS |
| 6.30pm | Evensong | Otley | FW/JaneW |

October 29th Last After Trinity

Deuteronomy 34.1-12, Psalm 90.1-6, 13-17, 1 Thessalonians 2.1-8, Matthew 22.34-end

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| 8.00am | Holy Communion | Grundisburgh | FW |
| 11.00am | Benefice Service | Hasketon | TS |

Key – CS – Clare Sanders, FW – Fred Woods, JW – John Waine, BH – Bill Herbert, MS – Mark Sanders, JamesH - James Hall, RP –Richard Pepper, RF – Robert Fletcher, JaneW - Jane Woods, IW- Ian Wilson, PI – Philip Ind, MC – Mark Cresswell, GH – Graham Hedger, Jan – Jan Bates, Linda – Linda Pollard, TS – Tim Stevens, TBC – To Be Confirmed

Other Services in October

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| October 4 th | Holy Communion BCP | Grundisburgh | 9.30am |
| October 16 th | Holy Communion BCP | Hasketon | 9.30am |

First point of contact is:

Ashbocking, Burgh, Boulge, Clopton, Grundisburgh, Hasketon, Otley & Swilland Clare Sanders 01473 735183

What's On across the Carlford Benefice – October

- 2nd PILGRIM** in the Upper Room, Grundisburgh 7.00pm
- 2nd Otley and District Gardening Club** 7.30pm Otley Village Hall
- 3rd Baby Café** Grundisburgh Parish Room 9.00am – 10.30am
- 3rd Craft and Coffee** at Shrubbery Farm, Hasketon 10.00am - 12 noon
- 3rd Churchwardens meet with Ministry Team** in Upper Room, Grundisburgh 7.00pm
- 4th Hobbies Group**, Clopton Village Hall 10.00am until 12 noon.
- 4th “Going Deeper” Homegroup**, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am
- 4th Grundisburgh SWAPSHOP** 10.15am - 11.30am Parish Room
- 6th Ashbocking Coffee Morning** 10.00am – 12 noon at the home of Sue and Mike Surridge of 9 Nelson Close, Ashbocking
- 6th PILGRIM** at the home of Sheila Snelling, Grundisburgh 10.00am
- 6th Hasketon Harvest Supper** 7pm Victory Hall, Hasketon
- 7th Grundisburgh Coffee Morning** 10.30am Parish Room
- 7th Swiland Coffee Morning** at the home of Gina Wilden of 7 High Road from 10.00am
- 7th Ashbocking Wedding of Oliver Christian and Chelsea Dorey**
- 8th Grundisburgh Sunday Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms
- 9th Grundisburgh Prayer Group** 5.00pm in the Upper Room
- 9th PILGRIM** in the Upper Room, Grundisburgh 7.00pm
- 10th 9.00am Open The Book rehearsal** in the Upper Room
- 11th Ashbocking House Group** at the home of John and Linda Pollard of Hawthorns, Ashbocking
- 12th 10.00am Otley Coffee Morning** at the home of David and Tess Papworth – Lavender House
- 12th 12.00 noon Woodbridge Deanery Chapter meet** in Grundisburgh Church with Bishop Mike
- 12th Grundisburgh Church Tiddlywinks** group for toddlers and carers 2.30pm
- 13th PILGRIM** at the home of Sheila Snelling, Grundisburgh 10.00am
- 14th Visiting Bell Ringers** in Grundisburgh 2pm
- 14th Burgh Harvest Supper** – 6pm at The Barn Burgh House, courtesy of Bill and Jacqui Mayne. Tickets in Advance £7.50
- 16th PILGRIM** in the Upper Room, Grundisburgh 7.00pm
- 16th Monday House Group** at the home of Malcolm and Sandra Green at 7.30pm
- 17th Open the Book performs** at Grundisburgh School 8.30am
- 17th Ministry Team Meet** 6.00pm
- 18th 10.00am - 12 noon Clopton Coffee Morning** in the Village Hall
- 18th “Going Deeper” Homegroup**, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am
- 20th PILGRIM** at the home of Sheila Snelling, Grundisburgh 10.00am
- 21st Burgh Soup Lunch** –12.00 noon – 1.30pm Burgh Schoolroom
- 22nd Grundisburgh Sunday Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms
- 25th Ashbocking House Group** at the home of John and Linda Pollard of Hawthorns, Ashbocking
- 26th 12.15pm Hasketon Community Lunch**

Otley & District Gardening Club



2017 Season

Patron: Matthew Tanton-Brown

We meet at 7:30 pm, 1st Monday of the month at Otley Village Hall, Chapel Road, Otley

Monday 6th November

**“Sir Cedric Morris – Iris Breeder, Gardener and Artist”
with Sarah Cook and Jim Marshall**

Compare gardening notes over tea/coffee & biscuits.

All welcome - Join up or just come along

Admission £1:50 (members)
£4:00 (non-members)
Annual membership £10:00

To find out more, contact either

Alan Trevelyan (01473 890563)

Emma Coomber (07814112860)

Isabel Lincoln (01473 890826)

Hasketon Harvest Supper

Friday 6th October

7pm

Victory Hall, Hasketon

Adults £5 Children under 12 free

Ring Katherine on 01473 745579 if you would like to come

WELCOME!

Rt Revd Tim Stevens

on

October 29th

At the Benefice Service

In Hasketon 11.00am

We welcome the Rt Revd Tim Stevens as our preacher. Bp Tm has recently retired as Bp of Leicester and was Bp of Dunwich before that. He acts as Clare's work consultant, please come and welcome him, on his first visit to the Carlford Benefice.

BBC Bible Book Club

A small group - those of faith, agnostics, & atheists -interested in the historical context of Christian literature.

We meet in Grundisburgh on the third Tuesday of just four months each year, our next meeting is on November 7th 2017 at 10.30.

**We are discussing 'The Divine Dance' by 'Richard Rohr with Mike Morrell'.
Why not get a copy and start reading now, we would be very pleased to have you come along.**

**paulwiffen222@btinternet.com or 01473738474
Please let us know if you would like to join us.**





FANCY A COFFEE?

We have opportunities, throughout October,

Ashbocking – Friday 6th at the home of Sue and Mike Surridge of 9 Nelson Close, Ashbocking
10.00am – 12 noon

Clopton – Wednesday 18th at the Village Hall 10.00am – 12 noon

Grundisburgh – Wednesday 4th 10.15am – 11.30am and then Saturday 7th 10.30am – 11.45am
both at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

Otley – Thursday 12th at the home of David and Tess Papworth of Lavender House, Otley 10.00am.

Swilland – Saturday 7th at the home of Gina Wilden of
7 High Road, Swilland from 10.00am

Do come along and join us

Join us for our Harvest Festivals

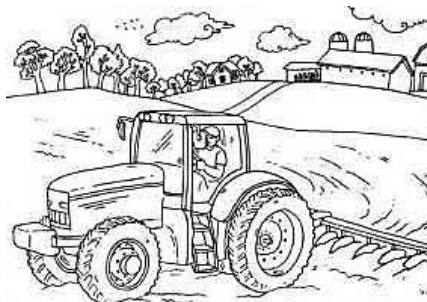


October 1st 11.00am at Grundisburgh and Otley

October 8th 11.00am at Ashbocking and Hasketon

October 15th 11.00am at Burgh

Harvest gifts of tinned or packaged food
are welcomed





[Formerly 'Alpha Plus' & 'Beyond Alpha']

What do we really know about these Bible topics...?

The thirteenth run of this highly successful group which gives us the opportunity to discuss more areas of Christian Faith at six meetings held at **GRUNDISBURGH PARISH ROOMS**, 10.30-12.00.

Sessions are fortnightly on **Monday October 9th & 23rd**; November 6th & 20th; December 4th. People of faith, agnostic, and atheist are all welcome.

Tea or coffee and a piece of cake will be available and a warm welcome to all. A small charge of £1 per person, per session, covers costs.

We will consider – 'What do we really know about

Session 2 – October 9th

Biblical Topic – Discussion: 'Some sayings of Jesus' – What did he mean?

References: Matthew Chapters 5-7 [Especially 5:39, 40, 41]

Session 3 – October 23rd

Biblical Topic – ppt. Presentation 2 'Hallowed be thy name' – Which One?

References: Matthew 6:9 & Exodus 3:13-15

Session 4 – November 6th

Biblical Topic – Discussion: '7 Jewish Festivals' What meaning for Christians?

References: Leviticus Chapter 23

Session 5 – November 20th

Biblical Topic – ppt. Presentation 3 'Jesus Life' – A Roman Perspective

References: The Four Gospels

Session 6 – December 4th

Biblical Topic – Discussion: 'The Bible's Timeline' – When did it happen?

References: The Bible

**Why not come and try our new group?
Join us this Autumn 2017**

**Enquiries: Paul on: 01473 738474 or
paulwiffen222@btinternet.com**

THANKS from Wendy

Thank you everyone for a wonderful and memorable retirement-celebration on the morning of September 3rd. Your kind words, written messages and exceptionally generous gifts somewhat overwhelmed me.

I knew that saying 'farewell' to so many Benefice friends in both services at Hasketon and Grundisburgh would be an emotionally bitter-sweet occasion with my tears very close to the surface - which indeed they were. Yet, my memories now also recall moments of laughter, happiness and joy in being able to publicly thank and acknowledge certain aspects of my ministry with you.

My spiritual growth and opportunities to minister in a broad and fulfilling way have, of course, been guided and nurtured by Clare to whom I owe an enormous debt of gratitude. Yet, so too, with many of you, who have shared prayers and pastoral occasions which have been meaningful and profound.

Thank you Hasketon and Grundisburgh P.C.C.'s for arranging delicious refreshments at both coffee time and lunch, which enabled myself and Alister to mingle and chat informally with folk.

I'd like to especially thank the parishioners of Hasketon who gave me a beautiful picture of St Andrew's Church, which now graces my study. Also, I received an exceedingly generous gift of National Garden Vouchers, which I can assure you will be put to good use.

Furthermore, I received generous cheques from Hasketon, Burgh, Boulge and Grundisburgh which I have forwarded to my chosen charity, EACH (East Anglian Children's Hospice). The combined donation to EACH will total £795.50 when they reclaim Gift Aid.

This is a wonderful sum of which I am truly grateful. THANK YOU.

I look forward to meeting with you in the not too distant future, and catching up with all your news.

Heartfelt thanks, once again. Blessings and Good Health, Wendy