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Sunday 3rd July 2016 - CW edition



**The United Benefice of Long Crendon (LC),
Chearsley (Ch) & Nether Winchendon (NW)**

WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY

Prayer



Creator God, you made us all in your image: may we discern you in all that we see, and serve you in all that we do; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect for the Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

Readings for Today:



The Old Testament: Isaiah 66.10-14

Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her - that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the LORD: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the LORD is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.

The Epistle: Galatians 6.1-16

My friends, if anyone is detected in a transgression, you who have received the Spirit should restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness. Take care that

you yourselves are not tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and in this way you will fulfil the law of Christ. For if those who are nothing think they are something, they deceive themselves. All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbour's work, will become a cause for pride. For all must carry their own loads. Those who are taught the word must share in all good things with their teacher. Do not be deceived; God is not mocked, for you reap whatever you sow. If you sow to your own flesh, you will reap corruption from the flesh; but if you sow to the Spirit, you will reap eternal life from the Spirit. So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. See what large letters I make when I am writing in my own hand! It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that try to compel you to be circumcised - only that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. Even the circumcised do not themselves obey the law, but they want you to be circumcised so that they may boast about your flesh. May I never boast of anything except the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision nor uncircumcision is anything; but a new creation is everything! As for those who will follow this rule - peace be upon them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.

The Gospel: Luke 10.1-11 and 16-20

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace to this house!' And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.' But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, 'Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.' "Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me." The seventy returned with joy, saying, "Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!" He said to them, "I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the

enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven."

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

We are delighted to welcome The Revd Valerie Plumb who has kindly agreed to take the Holy Communion services in Nether Winchendon and Chearsley today. Val is our Area Dean for Rural Mission and Development, and her role is to encourage creativity, offer support, advice and encouragement and develop strategies to serve and enliven the rural church for the future.

Notes for your diary:

Saturday 2nd July: St. Mary's, Long Crendon 9:30-10:30 am, Benefice Prayer Meeting. All welcome. Ray Copping and Geoff Hogbin
Saturday 9th July: St Mary's church has a tombola stall, run by Gay, at the Village Fete, being run by the Long Crendon Village Association on the recreation ground. Gay is asking for any kind of gifts or bottles which could be used as prizes. Kind volunteers to help on the day or beforehand would be very welcome. Please contact Gay on 201073.
Saturday 9th July: St Mary's church has been asked to have a stall at the Village Fete, being run by the Long Crendon Village Association on the recreation ground. Gay has agreed to run a tombola. She is asking for any kind of gifts or bottles which could be used as prizes. Kind volunteers to help, on the day, or beforehand, would be very welcome. Please contact Gay on 201073.
Looking ahead: The date for Richard Phillips' licensing and installation service at St. Mary's, Long Crendon, is 5th September 2016 at 7.30pm when there will be a Benefice Choir and new members are very welcome. Because the service is at the start of the September term we will be rehearsing before the summer break (we started in June) at 7:30 pm in St. Mary's: July: Friday 1st (in Church Tuesday 5th, Tuesday 12th, Friday 22nd and Tuesday 26th . Any new singers wanting further information please contact Catharine Meek - 01844 208536.

Services in the United Benefice

Sunday 3rd July 2016 – The Sixth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 9)

9.00 am	Holy Communion	NW	Valerie Plumb
10.00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Valerie Plumb
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Ray Copping

Sunday 10th July 2016 - The Seventh Sunday after Trinity (Proper 10)

10:00 am	Morning Celebration	Ch	Lay Led
10:00 am	Matins	NW	Robert Spencer Bernard
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Derek Witchell
6.00 pm	Evensong	Ch	John Scholefield

Sunday 17th July 2016 - The Eighth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 11)

9.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Ch	...Derek Witchell
10.00 am	Family Service	NW	...Derek Witchell
10:30 am	Family Service	LC	Ray Copping

Sunday 24th July 2016 – The Ninth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 12)

10.00 am	Family Service	Ch	Robert Hutton
10.30 am	Holy Communion with choir	LC	Derek Witchell
6:00 pm	Evensong	NW	John Scholefield

Sunday 31st July 2016 – The Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 13)

10:00 am	United Benefice Service	NW	Bishop Alan
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Note: this is a fifth Sunday and there will be no service in
Long Crendon or Chearsley on this day

Sunday 7th August 2016 – Eleventh Sunday after Trinity (Proper 14)

9.00 am	Holy Communion	NW	Ian Ogilvie
10.00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Ian Ogilvie
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Ray Copping

If you have events coming up in the Benefice and would like them included in future Pew Sheets, please let us have the details on llm.chearsley@btinternet.com Please note that your wording may have to be edited to fit the available space - John and Jenny Scholefield