Services in the United Benefice

Sunday 5 th August 2018 - Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 13)			
9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Steve Williams
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Café Sunday Team
10:00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Steve Williams

Sunday	12 th August 2018 - Eleven	th Sunday a	fter Trinity (Proper 14)
8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Habitat for Humanity	Ch	Sampson Men
10:00 am	Matins	NW	Robert Spencer Bernard
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Richard Phillips
6:00 pm	Evensong	Ch	John Scholefield

Sunday 19th August 2018 - Twelfth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 15) 10:00 am Benefice All Age Communion :LC Gordon Kuhrt As we are very short of Ministers today, there will only be one service in the Benefice, and thank you very much to Gordon for stepping in to help.

Sunday 2	:6 th August 2018 - Thirteeı	nth Sunday a	after Trinity (Proper 16)
8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Derek Witchell
10:00 am	Chearsley Praise	Ch	John Scholefield
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Derek Witchell
6:00 pm	Evensong	NW	Richard Phillips

Sunday 2 nd September 2018 - Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 17)			
	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Café Sunday Team
11:00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips

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 johnscholefield.llm@gmail.com Please note that your wording may have to be edited to fit the available space - John and Jenny Scholefield

From the Vicar's Open Letter of 12th July, here is the new service pattern to start in October:

Sunday	Long Crendon	Chearsley	Nether Winchendon
1 st	10am Café Sunday	10 am Family Communion	9 am BCP Communion
2 nd	10.30am Family Communion	9 am Holy Communion 4 pm Messy Church	6 pm BCP Evensong
3 rd	9am BCP Communion 10:30 am Family Service	10 am Chearsley Praise	10 am BCP Matins
4 th	9am BCP Communion 10.30 Family Communion	6 pm BCP Evensong	10 am Family Service
5 th	Joint	Benefice Service as bef	ore

You are very welcome to take your Pew Sheet home.

Please see the back page for a list of upcoming services in the United Benefice

Sunday 5th August 2018 - CW edition



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

WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY

Parish prayer points for August

Prayer is the foundation of all we do in our daily lives as well as in our church life - after all, a relationship thrives on communication. As we pray throughout the month on our own, or in gatherings on Sunday and during the week, we pray: In our 3 churches, giving thanks for our ministry team, ordained and lay, who lead our Sunday worship in all its forms, our house and prayer groups, and those who visit people in their homes. In our 3 villages, continuing to pray for all who work in our industrial estates. For safe, fulfilling, and fruitful work.

Collect for the Tenth Sunday after Trinity

Let your merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of your humble servants; and that they may obtain their petitions make them to ask such things as shall please you; 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: Exodus 16.2-4 and 9-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger." Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not.

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining." And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the

morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God." In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

The Epistle: Ephesians 4.1-16

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. But each of us was given grace according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he made captivity itself a captive; he gave gifts to his people." (When it says, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is the same one who ascended far above all the heavens, so that he might fill all things.) The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. We must no longer be children, tossed to and fro and blown about by every wind of doctrine, by people's trickery, by their craftiness in deceitful scheming. But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, from whom the whole body, joined and knit together by every ligament with which it is equipped, as each part is working properly, promotes the body's growth in building itself up in love.

The Gospel: St. John 6.24-35

When the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus

answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty. But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe.

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have willed that the gate of mercy should stand open for those who trust in you: look upon us with your favour that we who follow the path of your will may never wander from the way of life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Notes for your diary:

Saturday 4th August, Monthly Prayer Gathering at St. Nicholas' Chearsley, 9:30-10:30 am to focus on the three villages and wider issues. All welcome. Ray Copping and Geoff Hogbin

Sunday 12th August, 10:00 am, St. Nicholas' Chearsley, Darren and Oliver Sampson will make a presentation on their trip to Kenya for 'Habitat for Humanity', to which charity the plate collection will be given.

Sunday 2nd September, St. Nicholas' Chearsley, please note that the morning **Family Communion** service will be held at **11:00 am** (not the usual 10am). This will be followed at 12:30 pm by a 'bring your own' picnic in a lovely garden in Chearsley.

Sunday 2nd September, 2:00 pm, Meadow Song in Chearsley, again with the brilliant Paul Shinar and Laura. Everyone is invited for an afternoon of lively music in a beautiful garden. Tickets available from Joy Payne.

Saturday 15th September, Friends of St. Mary's Gin and BBQ evening. Ticket information at Friends@FSMLongCrendon.org, Fsmlongcrendon and @fsmlongcrendon

Sunday 16th September, Bishop Alan will be coming to take a Confirmation service in Long Crendon on the evening of 16th September 2018.

23rd-27th October, Inter Church Productions "The Sound of Music" at Lord Williams's Upper School, Thame. Tickets available in September. For more information see www.interchurchproductions.com