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Sunday 18th October 2015 - BCP edition



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

WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY

Prayer



God, our light and our salvation: illuminate our lives, that we may see your goodness in the land of the living, and looking on your beauty may be changed into the likeness of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Collect for the Twentieth Sunday after Trinity

O ALMIGHTY and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Readings for Today:



The Epistle: Ephesians 5.15-21

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Be subject to one another out of reverence for Christ.

The Gospel: Matthew 22.1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banguet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. "But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

We are very grateful to Tina Stirling for taking the Holy Communion service in Chearsley and the Harvest Festival Family Service in Nether Winchendon today. Tina has kindly sent us the following: "

"I am a retired priest living in Stone. Until two and a half years ago I was the incumbent of the Bernwode Benefice for fifteen years and Area Dean for Aylesbury for five of those years. Before that I was curate and associate minister in St. Mary's, Thame. Now I am an emeritus honorary canon of Christ Church, Oxford and Clergy Retirement Officer for Buckingham Archdeaconry as well as an assessor for the folders which curates in training are required to produce indicating their competency!"

Notes for your diary:

NW Harvest Supper is on **Friday 16th October.** Unfortunately the Committee organising the Harvest Supper have decided to cancel the event because of the very small number of people able to come.

Saturday 17th October Men's Breakfast at "The Eight Bells" High Street Long Crendon, 8.00-9.30 am. The Guest speaker will be Mark Herbert, Assistant Pastor, Long Crendon Baptist Church: "Is the good life the best life?" Full English Breakfast £10. Tickets (first come first served!) and further information from Chris Lilley (LC), Geoff Hogbin (Ch) or Robert Hutton (NW).

Sunday 18th October, Church House, Long Crendon: There will be a Harvest Lunch at Church House following the 10:30 am Family Communion in St. Mary's. Bring the family and enjoy a good lunch together with friends. Please note that this is no longer a Bring and Share Lunch, the food is now being provided.

Services in the United Benefice

9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP) Ch		Tina Sterling
10.00 am	Harvest Festival Family Service	NW	Tina Sterling
10.30 am	Family Service LC		Ray Copping
followed by Bring and Share Lunch in Church House			

Services Sunday 25 th October 2015 - The Last Sunday after Trinity			
10:00 am	Family Service	Ch	John Scholefield
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	The Ven Dr Gordon Kuhrt
5:00 pm	Evensong	NW	Robert Hutton

Services Sunday 1 st November 2015 - All Saints			
9.00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Steve and Rose Williams
10.00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Ray Copping
10:00 am	Family Communion	Ch	Steve and Rose Williams

Services Sunday 8 th November 2015 – Remembrance Sunday			
8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	lan Ogilvie
10:00 am	War Memorial	LC	Andy Bell
10:30 am	Service of Remembrance	LC	Andy Bell
10:00 am	Morning Celebration	Ch	Lay Led
10:45 am	War Memorial	Ch	John Scholefield
6:00 pm	Evensong	Ch	John Scholefield
10:15 am	Service of Remembrance and War Memorial	NW	Robert Hutton

Services	Sunday 15 th November 2	2015 – 2 nd	Sunday before Advent
9:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Ch	Andy Bell
10.00 am	Family Service	NW	Andy Bell
10.30 am	Family Service	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 Ilm.chearsley@btinternet.com Please note that your wording may have to be edited to fit the available space - John and Jenny Scholefield