

MESSENGER

SUNDAY 23RD OCTOBER 2022

Please send me any news or information about events in your parish

Please send me your news, thoughts, messages, helpful suggestions, requests etc. by Wednesday. Either by phone on 01295 711516 or email clairewilks@hotmail.co.uk



Services

Sunday 23rd October

- 9.00am Morning Praise at Chacombe
- 10.00am Mattins at Sulgrave
- 10.30am Holy Communion at Middleton Cheney
- 10.45am Harvest Mass at Marston St Lawrence

Wednesday 26th and Thursday 27th October

- 10am Holy Communion Middleton Cheney

Sunday 30th October

- 10.30am Benefice Communion at Chacombe

First Aid Training

Is now postponed until next spring or summer due to a number of people being unable to attend

Weekly happenings

Jolly Teapot! Every Wednesday 10.30am – 12.30pm

Enjoy coffee or tea and cake and chat together in our lovely church. Do come and join us! Birthday celebrations a speciality – we had 3 on the 28th!

First Steps

For all pre-school aged children and their carers. An hour of singing, stories, fun, and activities;

Every Wednesday from 2–3pm



Contact Chris Wells (710076) for more details



THIS SATURDAY (22nd)
Wrap & Fill session in All Saints from 9.30 – 2.30.

All volunteer wrappers and fillers are welcome for any time they can spare during the above times.

Coffee / tea & cake and plenty of chat that morning for all visitors, to help raise shoebox funds. For further information please contact **Mary Phipps (07522807146)**.

A letter from Rev. Carolyn

.. to All Saints congregation,

I am writing to thank you for the generous gifts that you gave me. Rather like the 'Country Parson' (the rose) I have been discovering what it is like to be in open soil, my roots spreading out in new ground, and feeling the sun and rain in rather unfamiliar surrounding!

The splendid bible is now a reminder of your kindness, and the basket of flowers is another reminder and carefully tended. Last, but not least, I appreciate the contribution to my purse! I am looking forward to choosing something without a shred of guilt that I am being over indulgent!

But most of all by far, thank you for being the place where I have come to worship with you for a long time. Be sure that I think of you and miss seeing you, and my hope remains strong that as the seasons take their course, in Harvest, Remembrance, Advent and Christmas, we all remain joined by the sheer wonder of the grace of God that continues to shine on us and will always be ours

With best wishes and love, Carolyn

Coming up

All Souls – 2nd November

7.00pm at Middleton Cheney

Remembrance Sunday – 13th November

there will be special services at Middleton Cheney, Sulgrave, Marston St Lawrence and Greatworth

Saturday 5th November - 9.30am – 2.30pm

Second shoebox wrap and fill session

Christmas Tree Festival

The first weekend in December – **contact Chris Wells (710076) if you would like to create a tree**

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For those who worship at home; on Bible Sunday (23rd October 2022)

He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: **“The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favour.”** Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, “Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.” **Luke 4:16 - 21**

Hymn

God's Spirit is in my heart,
He has called me and set me apart.
This is what I have to do,
what I have to do.

Just as the Father sent me,
so I'm sending you out to be
my witnesses throughout the world,
the whole of the world.

He sent me to give the Good News to the poor,
tell prisoners that they are prisoners no more,
tell blind people that they can see,
and set the downtrodden free
and go tell everyone the news
that the Kingdom of God has come,
and go tell everyone the news that
the Kingdom of God has come.

Chorus

Don't worry what you have to say
don't worry because on that day
God's Spirit will speak in your heart,
will speak in your heart

Chorus

Thought for the day

Today is Bible Sunday and in one of the readings set for the day we find Jesus reading from the book of Isaiah in the synagogue, in his home town of Nazareth, to his fellow Jews.

For Jesus to say that the scripture that he read, is fulfilled in him would have been shocking to his listeners. They may have expected a saviour but not one who would proclaim God's radical inclusion of **all** in his plans for the salvation of the world.

We, though, have many New Testament scriptures to show that Jesus did indeed fulfil this prophesy, he did all that was prophesied and more, and he calls us to do the same. We are invited to see the power of God's word at work in the world and the church, for the salvation of the whole of creation **and to be part of it**. Will you meet someone this week who is poor in spirit and needs to know God's love? Or who is in a prison of fears and anxieties and needs release, or who does not see their need of God, or is oppressed by worldly care? Jesus says whatever we do for another we do for him (Matthew 25: 40). As our hymn today says, God's Spirit is in our hearts and he will equip us for everything that comes our way.

Collect for today

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: help us so to hear them, to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word, we may embrace and for ever hold fast the hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**