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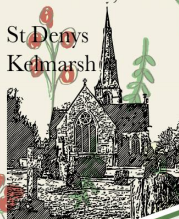
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All Saints, Clipston



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St Denys
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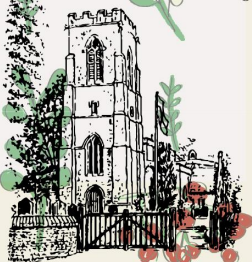
and you will find Peace in every step.



Welford
Congregational Chapel



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St Nicholas' Marston Trussell

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Welford, Sibbertoft & Clipston

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Dear Friends,

In a letter written nearly eighty years ago, C.S. Lewis offered an observation that feels remarkably true of our world today:

It is one of the evils of rapid diffusion of news that the sorrows of all the world come to us every morning. I think each village was meant to feel pity for its own sick and poor whom it can help, and I doubt if it is the duty of any private person to fix his mind on ills which he cannot help.

When Lewis wrote those words in 1946, news travelled via radio and the morning paper. Today, smartphones place an unrelenting stream of global tragedy, conflict, and fears about issues such as climate collapse or AI domination before us at every hour of the day. It is easy to feel weighed down by a sense of helpless anxiety, as though carrying the emotional burden of every global crisis is our moral duty.

Yet Lewis astutely noted that many fall into the trap of confusing anxiety with virtue: "A great many people now seem to think that the mere state of being worried is in itself meritorious. I don't think it is."

Worrying about the state of the world neither heals suffering abroad, nor serves those in need at home. In fact, fixating on distant hardships we cannot change can quietly become an escape from the tangible works of charity God has placed right in front of us. How, then, do we remain compassionate without becoming overwhelmed?

The answer lies in prayer. When distant tragedies dominate the headlines, our first response should be to pray, "Thy Kingdom come."

This does not mean ignoring the suffering of the wider world. Rather, it means responding first with prayer and then directing our energy towards the people and needs God has actually placed within our reach. Praying "Thy Kingdom come" places the situation squarely into God's hands. It asks Him to bring His peace and justice into the very heart of that crisis. As we entrust world affairs to God, we are freed from anxious fixation and better equipped to serve where He has placed us.

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Part of this wisdom is recognising our human limitations. God does not demand that we carry the weight of the entire world on our shoulders; Jesus has already borne that burden.

Our primary calling remains local and immediate: to notice the sick neighbour down the street, the lonely man or woman next door, the struggling family in our community, and the local food bank in need of support.

As Lewis concludes:

“We must, if it so happens, give our lives for others; but even while we doing it, I think we’re meant to enjoy our Lord and, in Him, our friends, our food, our sleep, our jokes, and the birdsong and the frosty sunrise.”

This week, when the world’s troubles threaten to overwhelm you, pray, “Thy Kingdom come.”

Then leave the outcome in God’s hands and devote yourself to the acts of mercy, faithfulness, and gratitude that lie directly before you. There we might just discover that God’s Kingdom is nearer than we imagined.

Blessings

Rev’d Tom



Poppy Appeal Coffee Morning

There will be a coffee morning in Welford church on Saturday 7th of November in aid of the Poppy Appeal. 10 am until 12 noon. The church will be decorated inside and there will be a display of people sharing pictures and stories of their friends and relatives who lived and died during wars .

There will be biscuits, a raffle and children’s activities.

We hope to see you there. Admission by donation

The Naseby Group of Churches

FUN@4

Three ways to explore faith, make friends
and share food together – Sundays at 4pm

Cafe Church



Coffee, cake, hotdogs, an engaging theme,
conversation, craft & more!

Welford School Hall

13th Sept; 11th Oct – Harvest Special, **meeting in Church**; 8th Nov;
Dec – No Meeting

THE WELCOME PATCH



Church on the allotment! Discover nature, explore
faith, make friends.

Naseby Allotment – finishing @ Methodist Chapel for toasties

20th Sept; 18th Oct; 15th Nov; Dec – No Meeting

Together at 4

(Formerly Pizza & Praise)



A short, relaxed and informal service for all ages

Orbell Room, Clipston Church (New Venue)

Sept – No Meeting due to Creative Clipston; 25th Oct; 22th Nov; Dec – No Meeting
(Light Tea provided at the end)

All Ages Welcome | Cost: FREE

Contact: tom@nasebygroup.org



WELFORD WI.

September Meeting.

Hands up if you can recall the Hula Hooping craze in the 50s/60s? Seeing who could keep going the longest seemed to be the aim.....but then.....along came our speaker, John Parnell who, after enlightening us with the history of the hula hoop, demonstrated his skills and tricks as shown by his appearance on Britain's Got Talent a couple of years ago. Some members tried to emulate the skill with mixed results!! Yes...there are photos to prove it!!

Looking forward, 2 groups are attending the County Lunch and another the Standing With Giants display. Arrangements are in hand for a breakfast get together and our Birthday/Christmas meal.

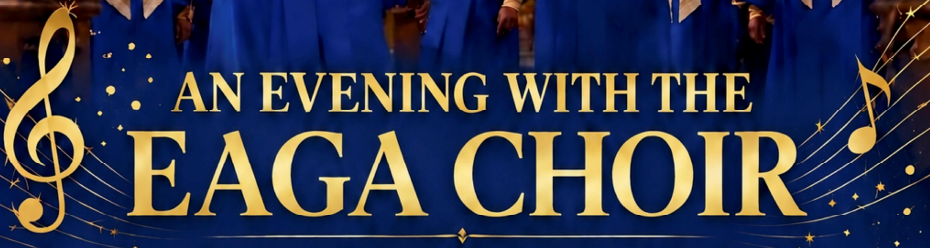
Thursday September 10th was another rainy night but delicious refreshments, great raffle prizes, memory lane toys from the 50s for the Competition table, books and jigsaws for sale and good company made the turn out worthwhile.

Next month's speaker is Judith Rout who is talking about The Universe.....might be a late night then!

Put October 8th in your diary and come along to see for yourself.



Welford Church presents



AN EVENING WITH THE EAGA CHOIR

*Winners of the BBC Songs of Praise
Gospel Choir of the Year 2023!*

*Join us for a concert of exuberant singing and more
Spirituals – Gospel – African – Caribbean – Traditional*



AT ST MARY'S CHURCH

West Street, Welford, Northants NN6 6HB

FRIDAY 16TH OCTOBER
STARTS 7:30PM



ENTRANCE £10 • UNDER 18 FREE

*Interval refreshments: wines, soft drinks, nibbles
(cash/contactless)*



Call Gordon T. on **07990 887635** or email
gordon@gordontemple.com to book your place



Tickets also available
at the door

WELFORD AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY
presents
PANTO WITH A TOUCH OF MYSTERY!



By Tom Kirkham and Matthew Crossey

WELFORD VILLAGE HALL

West Street NN6 6HU

November 25th, 26th and 27th at 7.30pm Saturday 28th at 11am and 4pm

Tickets on sale from 9th November

Adults £10, Children under 12 £5

From Chris Brown—chrisbrownny55@hotmail.co.uk/ 01858 575 494



Join us for homemade cakes
hot / cold drinks

to include free
History Society exhibition
showing local maps

Try your luck on the
Bottle Tombola



Saturday 24 October
2 ~ 5 pm

at the
Welford Congregational Chapel



Proceeds in aid of
Welford Congregational Chapel
restoration fund



**Welford Watercolourists
Annual Exhibition and Sale
Welford Village Hall
24 & 25 October
10am-4pm.**

Admission Free - Tombola and homemade refreshments

Cash/Cheque only please.

Supporting LOROS



Good Neighbours

**Coffee Morning ñ Tuesday October 6th
Welford Village Hall
10.00-12.00**

**Where do the months go! All welcome for coffee/tea and
biscuits £1.50.**

**Books, cards and jigsaws for sale with all proceeds going to
Brain Tumour Research.**

We have new books and jigsaws from the Church Fete.

**All are welcome.
Jane, Sue and the team**

CHAPEL COMMENT



Give Lavishly! Live Abundantly!
The more you give, the more you get-
The more you laugh, the less you fret-
The more you do unselfishly,
The more you live abundantly-
The more of everything you share,
The more you'dl always have to spare-
The more you love, the more you'dl find-
That life is good and friends are kindë ë
For only what we give away,
Enriches us from day to day.

Helen Steiner Rice Book ñ Just For You

PSALMS AND READINGS – October

Sunday 4th 18th after Trinity

Psalm 8

First Exodus 20, 1 to 4, 7 to 9
And 12 to 20

Second Philippians 3, 4 to 14

Gospel Matthew 21, 33 to end

Sunday 11th 19th after Trinity

Psalm

First Exodus 32, 1 to 14

Second Philippians 4, 1 to 9

Gospel Matthew 22, 1 to 14

Sunday 18th Luke the Evangelist

Psalm 65, 9 to 14

First Isaiah 35, 3 to 6

Second 2 Timothy 4, 5 to 17

Gospel Luke 10, 1 to 9

Sunday 25th Last of Trinity

Psalm

First Deuteronomy 34, 1 to 12

Second 1 Thessalonians 2, 1 to 8

Gospel Matthew 22, 34 to end

Sibbertoft Parish Council has appointed a committee to review the Sibbertoft Village Design Statement, last done in 2008. The Committee will be sending a questionnaire via a flyer enclosed in November's Parish Magazine to all households in the Parish of Sibbertoft with details on how to fill it in. The questionnaire is anonymous and the Committee is seeking everyone's views from across the Parish.

SIBBERTOFT

Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesman
18/10 OT Sue Clarke NT Jenny Lloyd	Toby Jackson	Viv Arrowsmith
Eucharistic Assistant Caroline Jackson		

WELFORD

Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesman
4/10 OT C Horner NT J Horner	S Lees	C Horner
11/10 OT G Newman NT J Newman	J Newman	G Newman
25/10 OT A Barraclough NT W Lees	S Bevin	M Broad
Eucharistic Assistant 25/10 K Broad		

WELFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL **Services at 10.45am**

	Preacher	Flowers
4/10	Rev Tony Avery Harvest Festival Service	Mrs M Curtis
11/10	Paul Baxter	Mrs S McSharry
18/10	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs S Lees
25/10	Bill Johnson	Mr J Howell-Jones
1/11	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs D Avery

Sunday Services in October

The Naseby Group of Churches

Morning Stream (10:00am)

Date	Service	Location
4th	Holy Communion	Naseby Church
11th	Harvest - All Age with Holy Communion	Clipston Church
18th	Holy Communion	Sibbertoft Church
25th	Harvest Holy Communion	Marston Trussell Church

Fun@4 Stream (4:00pm)

Date	Activity	Location
11th	Café Church Harvest Special	Welford Church
18th	The Welcome Patch Harvest Special	Naseby Allotment & Methodist Chapel
25th	Together at 4	Orbell Room Clipston Church

Agricultural Stream (4:00pm)

Date	Activity	Location
4th	Harvest Special	Kelmarsh Church

Evening Stream (6:15pm)

Date	Service	Location
4th	Harvest Evensong	Welford Church
18th	Evensong	Welford Church
25th	Holy Communion	Welford Church

For the most up to date list of services please see: nasebygroup.org

The Magazine.

If you would like an entry in the Nonember ediion of the magazine please

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