LOCKING AND UNLOCKING THE CHURCH - would you be able to join the team of those who unlock the church every morning and lock it again in the afternoons, just once a week (morning or afternoon)? If so, please contact Maureen B. Very many thanks.

HARVEST FESTIVAL - will be on Sunday 5th October, and there will be a Harvest Supper the previous evening (4th). Tickets are price £6 each (children £4!). It's an opportunity to invite friends along, so please get your tickets from Audrey W.

SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE TIME - needs more helpers, particularly at the end of the morning to aid the washing-up and clearing away promptly. Many hands (and feet!) make light work! If you can help, please contact me. Janice H

MEDICINE BLISTER PACKS - thanks to everyone who is recycling their used blister packs. Judging from the number being left in the box in the Welcome area we are getting a lot of value from the NHS! An increasing number are now made from 100% aluminium foil and these can be put in your recycling (blue) bin. To test them, fold them in half. If they stay folded, they are aluminium. If they spring back, they contain plastic so continue putting them in the box in church.

TEARFUND BIG QUIZ NIGHT IS HAPPENING AGAIN! - on Saturday 15th November, 6.30 for 6.45 pm in the Church Hall. This has been a popular event in the past so book the date now, ask your neighbours, relatives, friends to make up a team of 6 or less, or iust come on your own and we'll put you in a team. Tickets available in October.

HELP NEEDED - for more volunteers to join the rota to prepare the altar for Sunday Communion services. Full training will be given and support when you are new to the role! The more volunteers there are, the fewer duties there will be! Please see me if you could help. Marilyn Evans

ALISON HOLDEN - sadly Alison died in hospital on 12th August. Her funeral has been arranged for Monday 15th September at 3 pm in church and friends are warmly invited to attend. Do pray for Tom and his family at this difficult time.

> Please send notices for this sheet direct to Margaret Smith, tel. 01603 453010, or email; margarethjsmith@btinternet.com by 12 noon on Tuesdays.

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News Sheet for 7 September 2025



12th Sunday after Trinity

'a church for all - a place for you'

Welcome, everyone!

And a special welcome to visitors joining us for worship today! Whether you are here in church or joining with us via live-stream at home, may we know God's presence as we worship together and be encouraged and challenged by his Spirit.



Here are the details of our services today:

8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) led by Sheila Nunney

10.00 am Morning Worship led by James who is concluding

the sermon series on the Book of Ruth - 4. Joy.

Readings: Ruth ch.4 (church Bibles p.250 OT)

John 16:16-24 (church Bibles p. 107 NT)

There will be Sunday Club for young people this morning. After the service refreshments are served in the hall - do come and

meet with other church members and get to know new friends!

6.30 pm

Café Church led by James. A new series of services entitled "All for Jesus - 1. Whole-life Gospel". Afternoon tea will be served from 6.15 pm onwards - everyone is welcome!

CHARITY OF THE MONTH: ST-EDS

... providing employability skills for young people with learning disabilities or issues which preclude mainstream schooling. Aimed mostly at 11-18-year-olds we provide the skills necessary to meet the requirements of employers, enabling our students both to believe in themselves and to become the highly skilled workforce of tomorrow.

Please see the display on the boards in the Welcome Area and use the blue envelope to make your donation and put it in the collection bowl or post it in the wall safe. Thank you very much. Marilyn E

PRAYER THIS WEEK

'Trust in him at all times, O people: pour out your heart before him: God is a refuge for us' (Psalm 62 v.8)

SUNDAY Continue to pray for God's comfort and healing for George I and Pam W (currently in residential care). Pray for those recently bereaved including the families and friends of Robin G, Alison H, Judy G, Valerie T and Raymond F.

MONDAY Pray for the PCC as they meet this evening to discuss a full agenda, for James as he chairs the meeting, for fruitful discussions and wise decisions to be made, as we begin the autumn programme. Pray for unity as different views are shared and God's Holy Spirit to guide and encourage.

TUESDAY Toddler group restarts this morning - a vital meeting point for those caring for young children and a means of outreach into the community. Pray for the leaders and helpers, for the children to enjoy the activities, for helpful conversations and especially for any new families who may come along.

WEDNESDAY The situation surrounding immigrants living in hotels around the country has become very contentious. Pray for the Government, police, local councils and local communities to come together and work for a peaceful, safe solution - and for migrants to know compassion and kindness around the country.

THURSDAY Today we pray for people living in Cheyham Mount, Church Lane and Cranleigh Rise, praying especially for new residents as they make friends.

The Community Café opens its doors again this morning in the Hall. Give thanks to all those who work so hard week by week to organise the café, buy the food and welcome customers and pray that "regulars" and newcomers will attend.

FRIDAY Each week we hear of devastating natural events affecting countries around the world. Afghanistan has been hit with a severe earthquake affecting isolated regions where communications are difficult. Pray for aid to be airlifted to those in need and for nations worldwide to offer practical help and financial support.

Meanwhile farmers in this region are reporting low yields of crops because of the very hot dry summer. Pray for support for those whose livelihoods may be affected by lower income and increasing costs.

SATURDAY The Norfolk Churches Trust Cycle Ride takes place today. Pray for all taking part, especially for safety on the roads. Pray for those who will visit our church today that they will sense God's presence and enjoy the beauty and peace of our building - pray for those welcoming them during the day.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WITH LONG-TERM NEEDS INCLUDING:

Sue C-J and Janet V - both of them now confined to their home, and Eleanor W - coping with long-term health problems, and her husband Ed who cares for her

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK and NOTICES

Mon. 8th

2.00 pm Mission Focus prayer time in the Prayer Corner in church - all welcome.

7.30 pm PCC meeting at The Vicarage, 28 Bluebell Road

Tues. 9th

10.00 am Toddler group resumes in the Hall
10.30 am Tuesday Morning Connect Group meets
3.30 pm Westfield View Service led by Sheila Nunney

Wed, 10th

2.30 pm Wednesday Afternoon Connect Group meets

2.30 pm Funeral of Judy G at Earlham Crematorium. All friends welcome.

Thurs. 11th

10.00 am
 10.30 am
 7.30 pm
 Midweek Holy Communion (BCP) led by James
 Community Café, Church Hall - all welcome!
 Julian group meets for contemplative prayer

Fri. 12th

10.00 am Ladies' Bible Study group meets. Do join us!

Sat. 13th

9.00 am Norfolk Churches Trust Cycle Ride 2025. See note below

Sun, 14th

10.00 am Holy Communion led by James who is beginning a new sermon series on

"The way of Jesus. 1: The Blessed Life".

SEPTEMBER PARISHES MAGAZINE - is available. If you don't have a copy delivered, please take one from the table in the Welcome Area.

NORFOLK CHURCHES TRUST CYCLE RIDE 2025 - next Saturday 13th September. Sign up as a cyclist, walker, rider, sponsor or welcomer. Churches are open between 9 am and 5 pm and you can visit by bicycle or on foot, even by car, and raise funds for our church. Contact Jenny H for sponsor forms and more information.

ART CAFÉ IN SEPTEMBER - will take place on Saturday afternoon, 27th September, 3-5 pm. Join them for an afternoon of creativity and community, with tea, coffee and music, and learn how to make a colourful bookmark out of felt! For more details visit the website: www.standrewseaton.org.uk/whats-on/art-cafe.