

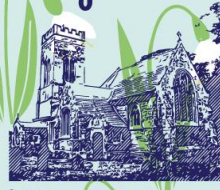
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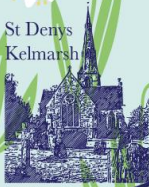
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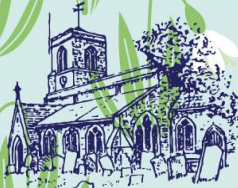
I wonder if the sap is stirring yet

The Magazine

*If wintry birds are dreaming
of a mate,
Christina Rossetti*



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St Helen's Sibbertoft



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Dear Friends,

Recently I've been thinking a lot about breathing.

Yet breathing is not something we usually think about. It's something we tend to do automatically.

But after some research, it turns out that breathing has an ability to change both our physical and mental health for the better. Being attentive to breathing can help lower blood pressure and help decrease anxiety, to name a couple of the benefits.

Intentional breathing can be truly transformative.

And at its extreme breathing can help us do seemingly superhuman things. Here I think of someone like Wim Hoff who can take a bath for an hour and a half in ice cold water with no ill effects, just by controlling his breath. Or the Tibetan Monks who can sit in the snow for hours, melting it and creating a ring of snow around them.

One of the first messages we hear about Jesus at Christmas was from the angels appearing to the shepherds ó that Jesus would bring peace on earth, and one of the last things Jesus imparts to his followers was peace, where he breathed on them the Holy Spirit, so that his followers could continue to share the peace of God with others. This breath would go on to transform the world. As such breath and peace go hand in hand.

And so we are left with a message of peace and I'm reminded of the importance to stop and breathe, because when we do, we are able to become aware of those around us and maybe even of God himself.

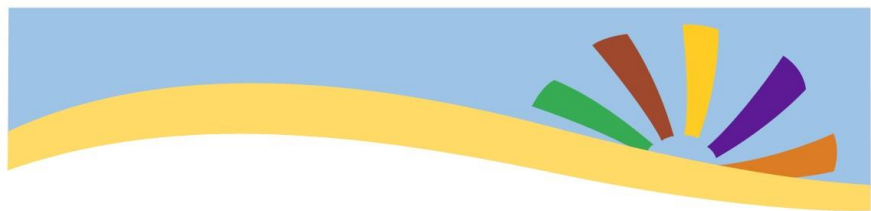
Peace starts with and in us, and it is from us that it can spread. This is what Jesus told his followers to do, to seek peace with God and with each other, and so as we seek a more peaceful world, may that start in us, and go forth from us, so we pass that peace onto others.

As Martin Luther King Jr said ðThose who love peace must learn to organise as effectively as those who love war.÷

Stop, Breathe, Transform, Repeat!

Every Blessing

Rev'd Tom



Naseby Group Prayers

Every Thursday morning in term time

9:15 – 9:45

Naseby Methodist Chapel

All Welcome to join us as we pray for our
parishes, villages and communities



Sibbertoft Sunday Teas 2025

Please can you help us keep this amazingly successful community project open for our 32nd year?

Teas signing evening Wednesday 26th February 6.30-7.30pm
Reading Room Berkeley Street

Following another successful Teas season in 2024 the Teas team are hoping we can get together enough volunteers to keep this remarkable community project running for another year. We urgently need new volunteers to work along side the existing regular team. We all live busy lives but hope you may feel inspired to support your community and help us by volunteering to cover just one or two Sundays during the 26 week season. You would be part of a team of 4 helping to set up and serve tea and cake to our loyal and appreciative visiting public. A rewarding and fun experience offering a chance to meet new neighbours and make friends. In addition if you enjoy baking and would be willing to bake for us on an occasional or regular please contact one of the team members below.

Want to find out more? come along to our Teas signing evening on Wednesday 26th February. Call or WhatsApp a team member. We truly need your help. Thank you.

Lesley 07765256552, Jenny 07816573554, Jose 07801880908
Moyra 07709636890 or Caroline 07775630159.

Good Neighbours

Our February Good Neighbours Coffee Morning will be on Tuesday February 4th from 10.00-12.00 in the Village Hall. Cost £1 for coffee/tea and biscuits. Unlimited refills!

Come along for a chat and buy a book or jigsaw for our new charity, yet to be decided!

All are welcome.

Jane, Sue & The Team



WI Meeting Thursday 9th January 2025

Vice President Sue Brotherton welcomed 27 members and received 12 apologies. After singing Jerusalem, the November and December minutes were read and approved.

Cheques for £1,800 were presented to representatives of the charity REMAP, who were surprised at the amount raised. They said that the money would really help them in their quest to provide custom made equipment for people with disabilities, which cannot be provided by the NHS

The next craft afternoon will be on the 27th January and is open to everyone. We will be making pompoms for the yarnbombing display at the Rugby World Cup. All welcome.

David Sleight gave an interesting and witty talk on maintaining and repairing Britain's historic buildings. You need lots of ways to overcome problems, especially if there is no roof. There are 370,000 Grade 2 while only 30,000 are grade 1 or grade 2*. David was thanked by Ann Thorington.

Fantastic refreshments were provided by Debbie Green, Gloria Hart and Sue Walton ably assisted by Denise Cattell. The raffle organised by Mary Crowther was won by 1st Christine O'Reilly, 2nd Hilary Attwood and 3rd Pauline Underhill.

The competition for an Historic tool, organised by Alison Pryce was won by Sue Brotherton, 2nd Monica Cockerill and 3rd Julie Newman.

The February is a social evening with a presentation by the 2 of Northants WI Board of Trustees.

The competition is A Homemade Gift

All welcome



Welford Flower Festival July 5th and 6th 2025

It has been a long time since we had a Flower Festival in Welford so we are putting that right with what we hope will be a spectacular lot of arrangements in Church during the first weekend of July this year.

This is an open invitation to all our clubs, groups or societies to put on a floral display in church depicting your group, and what you get up to.

Please contact John Nicholas on john.nick@btopenworld.com or by phone on 575422 to book your spot in Church.

We will then be inviting the village and surrounding villages to come and see these displays. Please support us in any way you can.

Come and Sing Carols 2024

A huge thank you to those who flocked to the church on Christmas Eve to support this annual fundraising event in aid of Cynthia Spencer Hospice and The Children's Society.

The church was fuller than ever, the singing enthusiastic and the choir of 23 was, as always, a privilege to work with.

Thank you to all who donated to the magnificent collection, with over £890 collected as a result of the evening. That together with further donations has meant that cheques for £500 have been sent to each of the charities. What a generous and talented village we live in!

Alan and Ann Barraclough

QUIZ for



1. What star sign are you if you were born in early February?
2. The February Revolution was the first of two revolutions which took place in Russia in which year?
3. What happened in Britain on the 15th of February, 1971?
4. Februaia was the Roman festival of ritual what?
5. In leap years, February starts on the same day of the week as which other month?
6. Which violet variety of quartz, often used in jewellery, is the traditional birthstone for February?
7. In the DC Comics, on which date in February is Superman's birthday?
8. Which popular tradition is celebrated in the United States and Canada on February 2? (Hint: it's also the title of a 1993 comedy film starring Bill Murray.)
9. In which resort city on the Black Sea was the Crimea Conference held in February, 1945?
10. In the sporting calendar, which event usually happens on the first Sunday in February?
11. On the 12 February, 1554, who was beheaded at the tower of London?
12. Which country's leader once said, "I have two generals who will not fail me: Generals January and February"?
13. Who was elected as the first President of the US in 1789?
14. In February 1958 eight players of which football side were killed in the Munich air disaster?
15. Who arrived, for the first time, in America on February 7th 1964?

CHAPEL COMMENT



Strengthen Your Faith by Maya Anthony

In storms, when darkness hides the way,
His love shines bright, dispelling grey.
Though waves may crash and winds may blow,
In His embrace, we're safe we know,

His love's an anchor, firm and strong,
In Him, we find where we belong.
No storm too fierce, no night too long
With faith in Him, we'll always be strong.

Trust in His love, let worries cease,
In turbulent times, he brings us peace.
For in the darkest trying night,
His love's the beacon, our guiding light.

Diary Date

Friday 7th March 2025 – World Day of Prayer – Cook Islands

This year's service prepared by an ecumenical group of Christian women from the Cook Islands is based on the words of Psalm 139 entitled "I made you wonderful."

A service for everyone in Welford Congregational Chapel at 2pm.

For more details, please contact Rachael Heard on 07808 656831 or email rheard@live.co.uk

World Day of Prayer website www.wwdp.org.uk



With warm croissants

Relaxed Informal Inspired

All Saints Church Clipston Sunday 9th February at 10.30am

St Marys Church Welford Sunday 16th February at 10.30am

Enjoy tea or coffee

PSALMS AND READINGS – February

Sunday 2nd February—Presentation of Christ in the Temple

Psalm 8

First Malachi 3, 1 to 5

Second Hebrews 2, 14 to end

Gospel Luke 2, 22 to 40

Sunday 9th February—4th before Lent

Psalm 39

First Isaiah 6, 1 to 8

Second 1 Corinthians 15, 1 to 11

Gospel Luke 5, 1 to 11

Sunday 16th—3rd before Lent

Psalm 121

First Jeremiah 17, 5 to 10

Second 1 Corinthians 15, 12 to 20

Gospel Luke 6, 17 to 26

Sunday 23rd February—2nd before Lent

Psalm 119, 33 to 40

First Genesis 2, 4b to 9 and 15 to end

Second Revelation 4

Gospel Luke 8, 22 to 25

SIBBERTOFT

Lesson Reader

Intercessions

Sidesman

9/2	OT	Jenny Lloyd	Rev Tom	Viv Arrowsmith
	NT	Jo Elliot		
23/2	OT	Caroline Jackson	Sue Clarke	Viv Arrowsmith

WELFORD

	Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesman
2/2	OT P Lane NT S Lees	G Temple	G Newman
9/2	OT C Horner NT J Horner	J Nicholas	C Horner
16/2	OT G Newman NT J Newman	S Lees	M Broad
23/2	OT C Horner NT J Horner	J Nicholas	C Horner
Eucharis	2/2 K Ball	16/2 K Broad	

WELFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL

Services at 10.45am

	Preacher	Flowers
2/2	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs D Avery
9/2	Richard Durrant	Mrs S Finney
16/2	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs L Stanley
23/2	Bill Johnson	Mrs J Herert
2/2	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs D Avery

FEBRUARY 2025 CHURCH SERVICES

2 nd	10:30am	Benefice Holy Communion	Welford
9 th	9:30am	Holy Communion	Sibbertoft
	10:00am	Café Church	Clipston
	6:00pm	Evensong	Welford
16 th	10:30am	Holy Communion	Haselbech
	10:30am	Café Church	Welford
	6:00pm	Holy Communion	Welford
23 rd	9:30am	Morning Worship	Sibbertoft
	10:00am	Holy Communion	Clipston
	10:30am	Morning Worship	Marston Trussell
	6:00pm	Evensong	Welford
2 nd Mar	10:30am	Benefice Holy Communion	Naseby

*For latest service updates see the website calendar:
www.nasebygroup.org/calendar*

The Magazine.

If you would like an entry in the March edition of the magazine please

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