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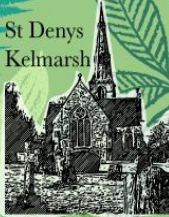
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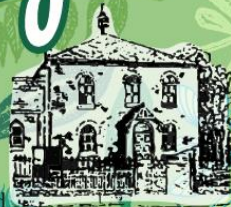


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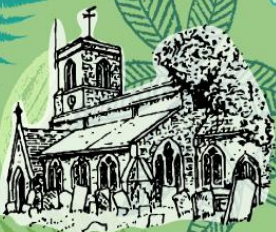
Inner peace is beyond ...

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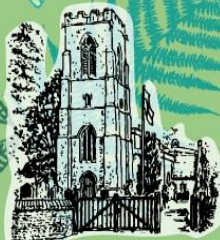
*... victory or defeat
- Bhagavad Gita*



Welford
Congregational Chapel



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St Mary The Virgin, Welford



St Nicholas' Marston Trussell
Haselbeck, Kelmarsh

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Marston Trussell, Naseby,
Welford, Sibbertoft & Clipston

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Church as a Christmas Dinner

Dear Friends,

Picture the scene.

It's Christmas Day. Around the table sits the whole family. Great-Grandpa is beginning to nod off after Christmas pudding. Parents are trying to keep everything running smoothly.

Teenagers are half-listening while looking at their phones. The younger children are in fits of laughter because someone has produced a whoopee cushion.

It's noisy. It's messy. It's not always orderly.

And yet nobody says, The children should eat somewhere else, or Grandpa won't enjoy this, so perhaps he shouldn't come.

Why?

Because it's family and the table belongs to everyone.

That image has helped us think about something the Church is increasingly rediscovering: intergenerational worship.

Intergenerational worship means children, teenagers, adults, grandparents, and great-grandparents worshipping together rather than separately.

It recognises that different generations need different things, but it also believes they need each other.

After all, we wouldn't expect a six-year-old to eat the same Christmas dinner as an eighteen-year-old, nor would we expect Great-Grandpa to have the same energy as a toddler.

Different people engage in different ways. The goal isn't that everyone does exactly the same thing. The goal is belonging.

Perhaps that's especially important because Christmas can also be a lonely time. While some enjoy a crowded dinner table, others are aware of empty chairs or the absence of loved ones. At its best, the Church says to everyone, *There is a place for you here.*"

Continued overleaf

This is something we are learning together as a group of churches. We certainly don't claim to have all the answers. Intergenerational worship is a journey, and like any family gathering it can sometimes feel a little untidy!

That is why we are developing services such as **Café Church**, **The Welcome Patch** and **Pizza and Praise**, (soon to be renamed and relocated in October to: **Together @ 4** in the Orbell Room, Clipston Church). People sometimes assume these are aimed at children or young families. But the truth is that they are not really designed for one group at all.

They are for everyone.

Just like a Christmas dinner, they create space for different generations to share life and faith together. Older Christians bring wisdom, experience, and encouragement. Younger people bring energy, curiosity, and fresh perspectives. We all have something to give, and we all have something to receive.

In a world that increasingly separates people by age, the Church has an opportunity to do something different. We can be a community where young and old know one another, learn from one another, and grow together in faith.

Because church is not simply a collection of age groups meeting under the same roof. It is the family of God.

And, like any good Christmas dinner, there should always be room at the table for everyone.

Lastly apologies for talking about Christmas already, but I'm sure some are already well and truly on it!

With all Blessings

Tom



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



Creative CLIPSTON

*An
exhibition
of local
talent*

**Sat 26 & Sun 27
September**

11am-4pm at All Saints Church

Teas & Cakes | All donations to the church

Contact Ruth Wallett: wallettruth@gmail.com

QUIZ FOR



1. The name September comes from the Latin word 'septem', which means what?
2. Which two zodiac signs occur in the month of September?
3. September's birthstone is which precious gemstone, a variety of the mineral corundum?
4. In 1752, September had only 19 days in the UK as which calendar was changed to the Gregorian calendar?
5. In the United States, which federal holiday is observed on the first Monday of September?
6. Which world famous festival, held annually in Munich, Germany, is a folk festival running from mid- or late September to the first Sunday in October?
7. The birth of Queen Elizabeth I happened on 17 September, 1533, can you name her mother?
8. What did Robbie Williams switch on in 2010, the Bee Gees in 1995, and Red Rum in 1977?
9. Which British Prime Minister exclaimed on the 30 September, 1938, "I believe it is peace for our time"?
10. On the 9 September, 1513, James IV of Scotland is killed at which battle?
11. What name is given for the feast of Saint Michael the Archangel, celebrated on 29 September?
12. On 7 September 1838, which daughter of the keeper of Longstone lighthouse risked her life in a small rowing boat to rescue nine shipwrecked people?
13. On the 13th of September 1902, Harry Jackson became the first person in Britain convicted on what sort of evidence?
14. Every September the Egremont Crab Fair in Cumbria is home to which face pulling competition?
15. Which festival in the UK is about giving thanks for a successful crop yield over the year as winter starts to approach?



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





**St Mary's
Church Fete
12th September 2026**

2.00 – 4.30pm at The Manor House

Tea, cake, ice cream, gin, music, tombola, raffle, dog show, plants, games, stalls and all set in the beautiful garden of the manor house



**Good Neighbours
September Coffee Morning
Tuesday September 1st
10.00-12.00**

**Books, jigsaws, cards for Brain Tumour Research
Welford Village Hall
All Welcome
£1.50...**

Jane, Sue & the team

CHAPEL COMMENT



Dear friends,

It feels that in our current world people are admired for their achievements, their awards and certificates, encouraging some to make sure that others are told about them. Everyone is expected to admire their "success". In our communities, there are people who arrive first to gatherings to put the kettle on and leave last so that everything is left tidy. They care quietly for others. No one gives them a standing ovation. Actually, if they are doing their job well, many people barely notice them at all. Jesus often spoke about doing good quietly, warning against performing righteous acts simply to be admired. He encouraged generosity that sought no audience and kindness that expected no applause. Wonderful. We are free to do good because it is good not because someone is keeping score. Kindness rarely shouts. Make life a little easier for another person simply because you can. Nobody else may ever know.

All blessings

Anna

PSALMS AND READINGS – September

Sunday 6th 14th after Trinity

Psalm 122

First Exodus 12, 1 to 14

Second Romans 13, 8 to end

Gospel Matthew 18, 15 to 20

Sunday 20th 16th after Trinity

Psalm

First Exodus 16, 2 to 15

Second Philippians 1, 21 to end

Gospel Matthew 15, 20, 1 to 16

Sunday 13th after Trinity

Psalm

First Exodus 14, 19 to end

Second Romans 14, 1 to 12

Gospel Matthew 18, 21 to

Sunday 27th 17th after Trinity

Psalm 119, 33 to 40

First Exodus 17, 1 to 7

Second Philippians 2, 1 to 13

Gospel Matthew 21, 23 to 32

SIBBERTOFT

	Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesman
13/9	OT Lesley Hartshorne NT Peter Kraftl	Sue Clarke	Viv Arrowsmith
20/9	OT Peter Kirby NT Caroline Jackson	Cynthia Bailey	Caroline Jackson
		Eucharistic Assistant 20/9	Sue Clarke

WELFORD

	Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesman
6/9	OT C Horner NT J Horner	S Lees	C Horner
20/9	OT G Newman NT J Newman	S Bevin	M Broad
27/9	OT A Barraclough NT W Lees	J Newman	G Newman
		Eucharistic Assistant 20/9	K Broad

WELFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL

Services at 10.45am

	Preacher	Flowers
6/9	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs M Bott
13/9	Steve Morrow	Miss R Heard
20/9	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs J Bale
27/9	Bobby Wakley-Jones	Mrs W McCullagh
4/10	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs M Curtis

Sunday Services in September

The Naseby Group of Churches

Morning Stream (10:00am)

Date	Service	Location
6th	Holy Communion	Naseby Church
13th	All Age Service with Holy Communion	Clipston Church
20th	Holy Communion	Sibbertoft Church
27th	Holy Communion	Marston Trussell Church

Fun@4 Stream (4:00pm)

Date	Activity	Location
13th	Café Church	Welford School Hall
20th	The Welcome Patch	Naseby Methodist Chapel

Evening Stream (6:15pm)

Date	Service	Location
6th	Evensong	Welford Church
13th	Holy Communion	Haselbech Church
13th	Harvest Service	Sibbertoft Church
20th	Holy Communion	Welford Church
27th	Evensong	Welford Church

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

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

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