

JUNE 2021

SPOKES



SPEAKING TO AND FOR ALL OUR CHURCHES

Hi folks,

The Covid-19 pandemic has been a challenge for all of us. Fortunately, we may be seeing the end in sight, mainly due to the vaccination programme which has been so successful. Clearly there are challenges ahead: the more the UK opens up, the more we are at risk from new waves of the disease, and dangerous new variants arriving from elsewhere – but there is a widespread sense of relief at the increasing amount of freedom that we are all experiencing.



Over the last year, our mainstay has been a weekly Zoom service. Despite not being able to meet in person, these have been our most successful regular whole-parish services in the last five years, and thus a great opportunity for us to meet across the villages. We've enjoyed being able to meet in cyberspace from our own homes! It's also been a wonderful reminder that we don't actually need a church building in order to worship God!

We have now moved to a new programme of in-church services. We are keen to continue our popular Zoom services, which will now be monthly, on the first Sunday of the month. On the third Sunday of the month, from August, the Café Church in Shapwick at the cricket pavilion will continue (which was our most popular service before the pandemic); meanwhile, in June and July there will be an Informal Worship in Shapwick. There will be a Holy Communion service each Sunday, and the second and fourth Sundays will also have Informal Worship services in several of the churches.

We look forward to welcoming you to one of our in-church services in the near future!

Every blessing, Rich Tweedy vicar@poldenwheel.co.uk



Our Messy Church in June will be a
**Muddy Church on
Saturday 19th June**

11am to 1pm on Shapwick Heath.

*For full details and to book, please
contact Rich (details on this page) or
Fiona (fi_mac_dan@yahoo.com)*

Join us for a trail through the woods,
fun activities, and Bible-based stories.

*Please bring a packed lunch so that
we can have a meal together as well!*

***Please book early as spaces are
limited.***

Count on Nature

5th June 2-5pm



Join us at **St Edwards Churchyard,
Chilton Polden** during
'Love your burial ground week'.
Help us count wildlife to be added
to the national
biodiversity website.

Churchyard trails, activities for all
ages, wildlife displays, and
social history.



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Church Services in June 2021

Sunday 6 June – Trinity 1 (Green)

9.30 *Catcott* Holy Communion
11.00 Informal Worship via **Zoom**

Sunday 13 June - Trinity 2 (Green)

9.30 *Burtle* Holy Communion
11.00 *Chilton Polden* Informal Worship
6.30 *Catcott* Informal Worship
6.30 *Ashcott* Holy Communion

Sunday 20 June – Trinity 3 (Green)

11.00 *Shapwick* Informal Worship
11.00 *Chilton Polden* Holy Communion

Sunday 27 June – Trinity 3 (Green)

11.00 *Burtle* Informal Worship
11.00 *Ashcott* Informal Worship
6.30 *Edington* Holy Communion

Sunday 4 July – Trinity 5 (Green)

9.30 *Catcott* Holy Communion
11.00 Informal Worship via **Zoom**

Sunday 11 July – Trinity 6 (Green)

9.30 *Burtle* Holy Communion
11.00 *Edington* Informal Worship
11.00 *Chilton Polden* Informal Worship
6.30 *Catcott* Informal Worship
6.30 *Ashcott* Holy Communion

Midweek

Holy Communion

Wednesday 23 June in
Edington Church at 10am.



Service of Quiet

Weds June 16 at 7pm
in **Catcott** church.

This will be a quiet space
for contemplative
reflection for about half an
hour.

To access our Zoom services, please visit the Polden Wheel website and complete the online form. You will then be added to the list for future services.

Sunday Readings for June

We will be continuing a series in Acts during June.

6 June: Acts 9:1-19

13 June: Acts 8:26-40

20 June: Acts 11:19-29; 12:25-13:1

27 June: Acts 14:1-20

Diary of Church Events

June

- Tuesday 1st **via Zoom:** Bible Study at 2pm – Jesus Through Old Testament Eyes: The death of Jesus. Contact Rich to join.
- Saturday 5th **Chilton Polden:** Join us for a 'Count on Nature' event 2-5pm at St Edwards Churchyard, Chilton Polden during 'Love your burial ground week'. Help us count what wildlife we have to go on the national biodiversity website. Churchyard trails, activities for all ages, wildlife displays, and social history.
- Tuesday 15th **via Zoom:** Bible Study at 2pm – Jesus Through Old Testament Eyes: The resurrection of Jesus. Contact Rich to join.
- Saturday 19th **Shapwick:** Muddy Church on Shapwick Heath 11 – 1. See box for details.
- Saturday 26th **Edington:** Coffee morning at Kootya, Broadway, TA7 9HA. 10.30 to 12 noon. Entry £1. Bring and Buy and Raffle.
- Tuesday 29th **via Zoom:** Bible Study at 2pm – Jesus Through Old Testament Eyes: The present rule of Jesus. Contact Rich to join.

July

- Saturday 3rd **Chilton Polden:** Jolly Jumble. Villagers are invited to display unwanted items for sale on tables outside their houses then people circulate around the village making purchases, paying an amount that they think an item is worth. The proceeds are then donated either to a charity or the church funds.
- Saturday 17th **Burtle:** Cream teas on the lawn at Catcott Burtle Farm, TA7 8NE at 2.30pm.
- Saturday 24th **Edington:** Cream Tea 3-4.30pm at Holywell House, Holywell Road, TA7 9LB. Bring and Buy and Raffle.

Important information about all our church services

We regret that due to the current restrictions all churches will be unheated and well ventilated, so please dress appropriately. Masks must be worn and there will be no singing until the restrictions have been lifted.