

The Grapevine

COVERING THE CHURCHES OF
GREAT & LITTLE CHESTERFORD, LITTLEBURY WITH
LITTLEBURY GREEN, & WENDENS AMBO

Welcome to our services today
Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

OUR CHURCHES' DIARY		
TODAY	Trinity 11	15th August
Little Chesterford	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION John Risby
Great Chesterford	11.00 am	FAMILY SERVICE Alex Jeewan
Wendens	9.30 am	MORNING PRAYER Angela Want
Littlebury	11.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION Angela Want
Littlebury Green	9.30 am	FAMILY SERVICE Elizabeth Marshall
THIS WEEK		
Tuesday 17th August 5.00 pm Evening Prayer via Zoom		
Wednesday 18th August 9.30 am Holy Communion Saffron Walden 5.00 pm Evening Prayer via Zoom		
Thursday 19th August 5.00 pm Evening Prayer via Zoom		
NEXT SUNDAY 22nd August TRINITY 12		
Great Chesterford with Little Chesterford	11.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION
Wendens Ambo	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION
Littlebury	11.00 am	HOLY COMMUNION
Littlebury Green	9.30 am	HOLY COMMUNION
<i>Holy Communion readings:</i> Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6:59-69		

ACCESS

Live streamed services from Great Chesterford

Go to

<https://www.facebook.com/camvillageschurches>

Just before the service time and look out for the post which will say "CamVillages Churches is live". Click on the video in the post to watch the live stream.

Services on Zoom

Email Alex at vicar.camvillages@gmail.com or Gillian Hopton at website.camvillages@gmail.com for an invitation with the access codes.

Other Services

Access information will be found on the Cam Villages Website or stmaryssaffronwalden.org

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Collect

O God, you declare your almighty power most chiefly in showing mercy and pity: mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace, that we, running the way of your commandments, may receive your gracious promises, and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

New Testament Reading *Ephesians 5:15-20*

Brothers and sisters, be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel *John 6:51-58*

Jesus said to the Jews: 'I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh.' The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' So Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live for ever.'

Post Communion

Lord of all mercy, we your faithful people have celebrated that one true sacrifice which takes away our sins and brings pardon and peace: by our communion keep us firm on the foundation of the gospel and preserve us from all sin; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Those who are unwell:

Michelle Thomson (Littlebury Green)
Freda Kent (Wendens Ambo)
Margaret Reed, Valerie Clift, and David Lilley
(Great Chesterford)
Mavis DeBoise (Caroline Jeewan's mum)

Those who need our support:

Betty Dowsett (Littlebury Green)
Lucy Maskell (Great Chesterford)
Jan Godfrey (Little Chesterford)

Friends and families of those who have died:

David Paxman
Those whose anniversaries are this week

Other topics for your prayers

- For those parts of the world living with conflict, natural or manmade disaster, especially Yemen and Ethiopia living with the threat of famine, flooding in India and wherever wildfires are raging
- The future of Afghanistan with the Taliban gaining territory
- The continuing rollout of vaccines so that Covid-19 and its variants may be contained
- That our events planned for the rest of the summer may be a welcome return to our programmes disrupted for so long by the coronavirus
- The world's care and stewardship of its resources
- Our young people now, after exam results, able to plan the next stage of their education
- Those missing loved ones who have died

OUR CHURCHES

Giving to our churches

If you wish to make a donation to our churches we are now able to do offer online giving. Just visit the 'Giving' section of our website (www.camvillages.org.uk) and follow the instructions. Thanks, too, to those who have chosen to commit to regular planned giving.

Website

Keep up to date with all that's going on by visiting our website <https://camvillages.org.uk>

Children's Work

There are activities for young people of all ages on the website prepared by our children's ministry team.

Access

On page 4 you will find details of how to access the services that are going to be live streamed together with Zoom services.

Following the lifting of government restrictions

the team is suggesting the following - but each church may like to have its own variation. Bearing in mind that we still want everyone to feel safe:

1. It will be up to individuals to decide whether or not to wear masks.
2. If singing is allowed for the congregation, we will wear masks to sing.
3. Choirs won't have to mask if they social distance and/or are 6 or less.
4. We will create a separate space in our churches for those who want to social distance.
5. Test and trace will continue.
6. We will no longer use one-way systems.
We won't share the common cup until, at least, spring. This is to see how winter affects the virus.

PRAYER FOR THIS WEEK

Teach me thy way O Lord, teach me thy way,
Help me to walk aright, more by faith, less by sight,
Lead me with heavenly light,
Teach me thy way!

Old Testament Reading (Wendens Ambo)

Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, 'You that are simple, turn in here!' To those without any sense she says, 'Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight.'

Psalms 34:9-14

Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, for those who fear who fear him lack nothing. The young lions lack and suffer hunger, but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

Come, children, and listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Who among you loves life and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?

Keep your tongue from evil-speaking and your lips from lying words.

Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.

CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

WEDNESDAY 9.30 am HOLY COMMUNION

Celebrated by members of the Team clergy, this service is back in St Mary's Saffron Walden and no longer on Zoom.

KEEP IN TOUCH

With all that's going on via our churches' website www.camvillages.org.uk

NEWS

A NEW DATE!

CAM VILLAGES PICNIC (postponed from 4th July)

The new date for this is **10th October** - this is the day of the next Cam Churches Together service. Alex and Caroline are hoping the weather will allow us to picnic in the Vicarage garden, but if not we will use the church. The time will be from just after the end of the service **12 noon to 2 pm**. More details will follow later.

GREAT & LITTLE CHESTERFORD

Autumn Fete

This will be held in conjunction with the usual **Teddy Bears' Parachute Jump**, and have as many stalls and games as will fit into the churchyard space that is left after allowing for the teddies' landing strip.

The date: **Saturday 11th September**

The place: **All Saints Churchyard**

and the starting time: **12.30 pm with a barbecue.**

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Administrator is available by phone or email on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays 9.30am - 12 noon.

The office is not currently open to personal callers.