Services in the United Benefice

Sunday 8 th July 2018 – Sixth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 9)			
8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Morning Celebration	Ch	Morning Celebration Team
10:00 am	Matins	NW	Robert Spencer Bernard
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Derek Witchell
6:00 pm	Evensong	Ch	John Scholefield

Sunda	y 15 [™] July 2018 – Seventh Sı	ınday after Tri	nity (Proper 10)
9:00 am	Holy Communion	Ch	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Family Service	NW	Richard Phillips
10:30 am	Family Service with Baptism	LC	Richard Phillips

Sunday 22 nd July 2018 – Mary Magdalene			
8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Chearsley Praise	Ch	Derek Witchell
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Richard Phillips
6:00 pm	Evensong	NW	Richard Phillips

Sund	ay 29''' July 2018 – Ninth Sunday after 1	rinity (Proper 12)	
10:00 am	Benefice Holy Communion Ch	Richard Phillips	
11:30 am	Benefice Family Service with Baptism N	NW Richard Phillips	
This is a fifth Sunday and there will be no service in Long Crendon			

Sunday 5 th August 2018 – Tenth Sunday after Trinity (Proper 13)			
	Holy Communion (BCP)	NW	Steve and Rose Williams
10:00 am	Café Sunday	LC	Café Sunday Team
10:00 am	Family Holy Communion	Ch	Steve and Rose Williams

Sunday	12th August 2018 - Elever	nth Sunday	after Trinity (Proper 14)
8:00 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	LC	Richard Phillips
10:00 am	Matins	NW	Robert Spencer Bernard
10:30 am	Holy Communion	LC	Richard Phillips
6:00 pm	Evensong	Ch	John Scholefield
Please note there is no Morning Celebration in Chearsley today			

If you have events coming up in the Benefice and would like them included in future Pew Sheets, please let us have the details on johnscholefield.llm@gmail.com Please note that your wording may have to be edited to fit the available space - John and Jenny Scholefield

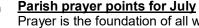
You are very welcome to take your Pew Sheet home. Please see the back page for a list of upcoming services in the United Benefice

Sunday 8th July 2018 - CW edition



The United Benefice of Long Crendon (LC), Chearsley (Ch) & Nether Winchendon (NW)

WELCOME EVERYONE TODAY AND EVERY DAY



Prayer is the foundation of all we do in our daily lives as well as in our church life - after all, a relationship thrives on communication. As we pray throughout the month on our own, or in gatherings on Sunday and during the week: In our 3 churches, give thanks for our flower teams, led by Gill Austen-Smith, Tessa Davies, and Joy Payne; for their creative gifts and the time they volunteer to make our churches so welcoming and beautiful. In our 3 villages, pray for all who work in our industrial estates. For safe, fulfilling, and fruitful work.

Collect for the Sixth Sunday after Trinity

Merciful God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as pass our understanding: pour into our hearts such love toward you that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; 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. Amen

Readings for Today



The Old Testament: Ezekiel 2.1-5

He said to me: O mortal, stand up on your feet, and I will speak with you. And when he spoke to me, a spirit entered into me and set me on my feet; and I heard him speaking to me. He said to me, Mortal, I am sending you to the people of Israel, to a nation of rebels who have rebelled against me; they and their ancestors have transgressed against me to this very day. The descendants are impudent and stubborn. I am sending you to them, and you shall say to them, "Thus says the Lord God." Whether they hear or refuse to hear (for they are a rebellious house), they shall know that there has been a prophet among them.

The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 12.2-10

I know a person in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven - whether in the body or out of the body I do not know: God knows. And I know that such a person - whether in the body or out of the body I do not know; God knows - was caught up into Paradise and heard things that are not to be told, that no mortal is permitted to repeat. On behalf of such a one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. But if I wish to boast, I will not be a fool, for I will be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think better of me than what is seen in me or heard from me, even considering the exceptional character of the revelations. Therefore, to keep me from being too elated, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan to torment me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I appealed to the Lord about this, that it would leave me, but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness." So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me. Therefore I am content with weaknesses, insults, hardships, persecutions, and calamities for the sake of Christ; for whenever I am weak, then I am strong.

The Gospel: St. Mark 6.1-13

He left that place and came to his hometown, and his disciples followed him. On the Sabbath he began to teach in the synagogue. and many who heard him were astounded. They said, "Where did this man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been given to him? What deeds of power are being done by his hands! Is not this the carpenter, the son of Mary and brother of James and Joses and Judas and Simon, and are not his sisters here with us?" And they took offence at him. Then Jesus said to them, "Prophets are not without honour, except in their hometown, and among their own kin, and in their own house." And he could do no deed of power there, except that he laid his hands on a few sick people and cured them. And he was amazed at their unbelief. Then he went about among the villages teaching. He called the twelve and began to send them out two by two, and gave them authority over the unclean spirits. He ordered them to take nothing for their journey except a staff; no bread, no bag, no money in their belts; but to wear sandals and not to put on two tunics. He said to them. "Wherever you enter a house, stay there until you leave the place. If any place will not welcome you and they refuse to hear you, as you leave,

shake off the dust that is on your feet as a testimony against them." So they went out and proclaimed that all should repent. They cast out many demons, and anointed with oil many who were sick and cured them.

Post Communion Prayer

God of our pilgrimage, you have led us to the living water: refresh and sustain us as we go forward on our journey, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Thank you to Robert Hutton LLM

Robert has announced his retirement as one of our volunteer Licenced Lay Ministers. Please join us in saying a huge thank you to Robert for his faithful and passionate ministry amongst us, and praying for the next chapter in his and Loveday's lives. We will be marking this at our Benefice Communion Service on 29th July.

Notes for your diary:

Saturday 7th July, Monthly Prayer Gathering at St. Mary's, Long Crendon, 9:30-10:30 am to focus on the three villages and wider issues. All welcome. Ray Copping and Geoff Hogbin

Saturday 7th **July**, Long Crendon Fete on the Recreation Ground. Please come along and support the St. Mary's Stall Tombola.

Saturday 15th September, St. Mary's Friends' Gin and BBQ evening.

Sunday 16th September, Bishop Alan will be coming to take a Confirmation service in Long Crendon on the evening of 16th September 2018. If you or a family member would like to consider being confirmed, then please contact Richard as soon as possible as preparation has already started.