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Dear Fríends,

Three things have together drawn my a en on to the climate crisis: the news that El Niño weather pa ern is on the way which on top of the global warming will likely liglobal temperatures 1.5 degree rise above preindustrial levels for the first me, then Green Welford's engaging KIDS FEST that took place in June in the playing field behind our home, and finally, I've been browsing a book on climate that I got on my birthday. In 'The Climate Book' there are graphs and charts that tell a troubling story. They show an exponen al rise in almost everything that is bad for the planet. They show that the coal-fired industrial revolu on that sprung up in the English Midlands in the second half of the eighteenth century led to modest rise in global pollu on. It's from 1950 that the graphs accelerate alarmingly toward the climate crisis of today. This is uncomfortable for me because this period is more or less coincident with my own life me. And so as someone living through this period in the 'Western World' my consump on has been part of the problem. I view the climate crisis as both an engineer with curiosity about solu ons and as a deeply commi ed Chris an. With Father's Day at the end of the week when I am wri ng, I also come at it with a concern for our children and grandchildren. My first reflec on would be that we Chris ans should have known be er. Sadly the church has too o en been on the wrong side of this issue: indifferent about something we should have called out. A er all the Bible has something to say about our rela onship with the earth that's highly relevant — and it's not tucked away in an obscure place. The first pages of the Bible give an ancient perspec ve on how the earth came into being. The abiding and overarching significance of this account is that a ributes the existence of everything to God. It culminates with the arrival of humans. We read that God first charges us with the responsibility to take care of the natural world – then gives us the privilege to consume from its produce. To me it seems that we 'got the memo' on the privilege but lost the earlier one about the responsibility to care for the earth. We have ac vely encouraged conspicuous consump on and disregarded the impact upon the future of our 'Goldilocks' planet with its finely balanced environment. To consume is so much more compelling than to conserve. Jesus quoted the scriptures to say that 'Humans shall not live by bread alone'. Of course, his inten on was to

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Remind us that we have a soul to nourish as well as a body. But we seem to have received it as more like, 'Of course not: we need a bee urger between the slices'! The benefits of waves of technological advancement and the wealth created along the way have dispropor onally accrued those who then become major contributors to climate change. According to my new book: 'The richest 1% of the world's popula on are responsible for than twice as much carbon pollu on as the people who make up the poorest half of humanity'. It would be incorrect to present Jesus as a pioneering environmentalist but the way he lived and the words he spoke challenged the mores and lifestyles of the rich and powerful of his me. He called out those who exploited the poor and powerless to their own advantage. Jesus' teaching was full of challenge to look out for others and especially those who are vulnerable. Jesus' famous call to 'love our neighbour as ourselves' should make us pause each me we make a consumer decision to reflect on whether our choice confers advantage or disadvantage to fellow humans. If what we buy advantages ourselves by exploi ng others or by contribuing to the damage to the environment that is likely to leave other people (including our own grandchildren) struggling with the consequences, then we might want to think again. As Pope Francis has observed: 'Everything is connected. Concern for the environment thus needs to be joined to a sincere love for our fellow human beings and an unwavering commitment to resolving the problems of society.' It is the collec ve ac on of all of us that is bringing us to the brink of catastrophe and so it will need the collec ve ac on of all of us to move back from it. And ac on taken early will be less onerous and more effec ve than more dras c ac on required a er delay. Jesus called people to follow him and God's desire is s II that we should follow him. My unprovable supposi on is that if humanity were to live to the values that Jesus taught and exemplified, we wouldn't be facing a climate crisis. Let's live in hope. If we turn over to the last pages of the Bible we are presented a vision of a renewed earth freed from all that has corrupted it. And the Church of England has recently made a na onal commitment to Net Zero by 2030. Locally, the carbon-neutral hea ng of a dra y medieval listed building presents a massive challenge! I leave you with a prayer of Pope Francis that you might like to pray.

Gordon Temple Lay Reader

A Prayer for our Earth

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists. Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.
Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.
O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgo en of this earth, so precious in your eyes. Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollu on and destruc on. Touch the hearts of those who look only for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth. Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contempla on, to recognize that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light. We thank you for being with us each day. Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for jus ce , love and peace. Amen.

T @ 2

T @ 2 will be held on Monday 3rd July in St Mary's, Welford.

2-3.15pm

Everyone is very welcome. There are free refreshments and excellent company.

Should you wish to make a donation to the church that would be very much appreciated..

Advance notice that there will be no T @ 2 in August, but we hope if you are having a holiday you have a lovely relaxing and restful time, and that the sun shines.



SIBBERTOFT NEWS

SIBBERTOFT VILLAGE CONSULTATION

A village consultation on ideas for the future of the church was held on Friday 19th May, in the Reading Room. A total of 43 people attended and a range of ideas and suggestions were offered, which are being considered. The general consensus was that, whatever goes on inside the church, there was a wish that the church as a building should continue to be maintained and to be part of the village. A number of people offered their names to be called on for help as and when required and to organise teams/rotas for specific activities. We are very grateful to all those who attended, offered suggestions and volunteered to help. We shall keep you posted as plans develop.

Save the Date for Something Different Thursday, October 12 and Saturday October 14 We are holding two Quiet Days At Low Farm House, Sibbertoft A day to reflect and take time for yourself For further information contact: Carolyne Robinson Email: <u>cr@duncanuk.com</u> mobile: 07919 253391



Welford WI June 2023

Denise Bott presided over the June Meeting of Welford WI. 23 members and1 guest were present. After the singing of Jerusalem and the signing of theminutes, Denise reminded members of the cakes volunteered for Kidsfesttaking place Saturday 10 June. She thanked Sue Brotherton for organizing avery successful evening playing skittles.

As other commitments had meant numbers had dwindled for the craft afternoons, it has been decided to suspend this activity until the autumn, although those interested in decorating a terracotta pot for the Pauline Duff Trophy would be getting together at their convenience. Denise invited Christine OgReilly, on behalf of Val Jackson, to give further details of the afternoon tea to be held at Coton Manor 12 July. Christine also mentioned the interesting work she, Denise Cattell, Sue Brotherton and Sandra Wright had been doing for the Challenge Trophy ó devising a weekend for two in Northamptonshire.

Ann Thorington informed members of an outing to Ely and Ely Cathedral, theLiterary Lunch and a Decoupage Workshop. She also mentioned county walks from Paulesbury (June), Lois Weedon (July) and Yelvertoft (August).

Denise then introduced three ladies who gave a delightful and very entertaining demonstration of Belly Dancing. They talked of the long history and the anatomical benefits for women who learn the skill. They concluded by getting all the members to have a go - great fun was had by all!

Tasty teas were provided by Christine OgReilly, Nicky White and Sally Harris.

The competition for a bell, organized by Hilary Downing, was won by Ann Thorington, 2 nd Jane Cottrell and 3 rd Pauline Matthew. The raffle, run by Sue Lees, was won by Nicky White, Catherine Digby and Sally Harris. The speaker next month is Sarah Burgon talking about Footwear and Footcare. The competition is for a sock.

AT June 2023

Good Neighbours Coffee Morning – Tuesday July 4th 2023

Jane, Sue & The Team welcome one and all for coffee/tea and biscuits in Welford Village Hall from 10.00-12.00, only £1.

A friendly welcome and a good chat are provided, alongside books for £1 and jigsaws for £2. All proceeds to charity, currently the Welford Educa onal Trust.

We look forward to seeing you.



1. The month of Quintilis was renamed July in whose honour?

2. What is the common name of the garden flower Delphinium?

3.Bastille Day is celebrated in France on which date?

4. How many days of rain will there be if it rains on St. Swithins?

5.Neil Armstrong became the first man to walk on the moon in which year?

6. What name is given to the hot , sultry days said to begin in early July?

7. Which 1989 war film was based on the autobiography of veteran Ron Kovic?

8. What is the modern name for Gillyflowers?

9. Tynwald Day is celebrated on 5th July in which part of the UK?

10. What is the gemstone of July?

- 11. The õ20 July plotö was the attempted assassination of whom?
- 12. Which rowing event takes place on the Thames in July?
- 13. Which food is celebrated in Whitstable in July each year?
- 14. Canadaøs nation day is on which date in July?
- 15. Which freedom fighter was born in Mvezo, South Africa in July 1918?

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CHAPEL COMMENT

A warning to all would be burglars of Christian homes?

ACTS 2:38

An elderly woman had just returned to her home from an evening of religious study when she was startled by an intruder. As she caught the man in the act of robbing her home of its valuables, she yelled; "Stop. Acts 2;38!" (.....turn from your sin.....) The burglar stopped dead in his tracks. The woman calmly called the police and explained what she had done.

As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar, "Why did you just stand there? All she did was to yell a scripture to you."

"Scripture?" replied the burglar, " She said she had an AXE and two 38`s!!"

With all blessings. Rev. Tony.

Chapel

A big thank you to everyone who helped in any way to make our Corona on Coffee and Cake event in May the success it was. The helpers who decorated outside the Chapel and in the Schoolroom, the dona ons of delicious cakes and items for the tombola. Those who served refreshments, washed up and cleared away.....and the many visitors we had!

There was a lovely atmosphere and it was good to see so many `old` and new faces.



St Marys Welford Sunday 16th July at 10.30am Enjoy Tea or Coffee with warm croissants Relaxed Informal Inspired

PSALMS AND READINGS – July 2023

Sunday 2nd July—4th a er Trinity Psalm 46 First Genesis 22, 1 to 14 Second Romans 6, 12 to end Gospel Ma hew 10, 40 to end Sunday 9th July—5th a er Trinity Psalm 61 First Genesis 24, 34 to 38 and 42 to 49 Second Romans 7, 15 to 25 Gospel Ma hew 11, 16 to 19 and 25 to end Sunday 16th - 6th a er Trinity Psalm 119, 105 to 112 First Genesis 25, 19 to end Second Romans 8, 1 to 11 Gospel Ma hew 13, 1 to 9 and 18 to 23 Sunday 23rd July—7th a er Trinity Psalm 67 First Genesis 28, 10 to 19 Second Romans 8, 12 to 25 Gospel Ma hew 13, 20 to 28 Sunday 30th July—8th a er Trinity Psalm 30 First Genesis 29, 15 to 28 Second Romans 8, 26 to end Gospel Ma hew 13, 31 to 33 and 44 to 52

SIBBERTOFT

	Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesman
9/7	OT Miles Lloyd	Gordon Temple	Miles Lloyd
	NT Cynthia Bailey		
23/7	OT Jose Kirby	Sue Clarke	Lesley Hartshorne
	NT Caroline Jacks	on	

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	Lesson Reader	Intercessions	Sidesman
9/7	OT C Horner	S Bevin	G Newman
	NT J Horner		
16/7	OT G Newman	S Lees	C Horner
	NT J Newman		
23/7	OT S Lees	G Temple	G Newman
	NT A Barraclough		

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WELFORD CONGREGATIONAL CHAPEL

Services at 10.45am

	Preacher	Flowers
2/7	Gordon Herbert	Mrs D Avery
9/7	Richard Durrant	Mrs P Lane
16/7	Paul Baxter	Mrs L Stanley
23/7	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs J Herbert
30/7	Taken by the congrega	on Mrs J Pilmore
6/8	Rev Tony Avery	Mrs D Bo

JULY 2023 SERVICES

2 nd	10:30am	Benefice Holy Communion	Naseby
9 th	9:30am 9:30am 10:00am 6:00pm	Holy Communion Morning Worship Café Church Evensong	Marston Trussell Sibberto Clipston Welford
16 th	10:30am 6:00pm	Café Church Holy Communion	Welford Welford
19 th	11:00am	Sibberto Manor Service at St Helen's – all welcome	Sibberto
23 rd	9:30am 10:00am 6:00pm	Morning Worship Holy Communion Evensong	Sibberto Clipston Welford
30 th	10:30pm	Benefice Service	Clipston
6 th Aւ	ıg 10:30am	Benefice Holy Communion	Sibberto

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

The Magazine.

If you would like an entry in the August edi on of the magazine please Send copy by 15th July to jules1044@gmail.com 83 West Sreet, Welford. 01858 575757