

# World's Witness



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2018

# RECTOR'S LETTER OCTOBER 2018

*Dear Friends,*

The nights are already becoming chillier and longer, and the days full of the glories of Autumn with the rich hue of golds and browns and reds adorning our hedgerows and gardens. Your garden may also be like mine with fruit strewn across the lawn as we try and cope with the abundance that God provides. That of course reminds us that we are in the midst of our harvest celebration season, thanking God, thanking our farmers and all those who work in agriculture but also thanking all those who use the gifts God has provided usefully and with care.

However, this year, as we move on, let us also remember that we are now approaching the centenary of the armistice that silenced the guns at the end of the Great War. War is always a difficult subject and Remembrance Sunday the day we traditionally use to remember, is a difficult day for many. What is it all actually about?

One thought I would offer to you is that it is not a celebration of victory. When we look at all the wars fought since 1914, some would obviously seem a fight of good against evil, but there are many that just seem to have come out of the failure of diplomacy, to resolve what initially seemed a simple issue. Another instance we can consider are the webs of alliances that we create, forming powder kegs just waiting for a spark. The assassination of the Austrian heir in Sarajevo in 1914 was the spark that led to the Great War...and once lit, it was unstoppable. The world just exploded. This was not good against evil, or right against wrong, it was a war that no one was in control of yet millions of innocent lives were lost on both sides.

So perhaps that is where remembrance Sunday must have its focus; on innocent lives lost, on families that are grieving, on living with life changing injuries. All those who gave of themselves for others. *Remembering them*, not the issue. Recognising the sacrifice they gave. But most of all let us pray to God for love in our hearts and the ability to offer the hand of friendship and reconciliation to all those who were once opponents.

In Tealby this year there will a formal group remembrance service, at which a swathe of knitted poppies (over 1100) will be on display sweeping down from the heights of the church. Each poppy represents someone we know who has lost their life in conflict since 1914 and came from within our group of parishes. We **remember** them, we **recognise** their sacrifice and we pray for **reconciliation** in our divided world. Please keep these three words in your hearts.

Every blessing

*Chris*

## C1 SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

**Saturday 27th October 2018**  
(9.30 – 12.30)

**An understanding of the safeguarding issues surrounding Children and Adults with Vulnerabilities is now an essential part of life. As church we are now champions of promoting and requiring, awareness and training, to be a part of our worshipping, prayerful and organisational culture.**

To this end there is a half day training course to be run locally (*at Market Rasen*). Those who lead worship whether authorised or not, those who serve on PCC's which undertake children's ministry, pastoral visitors and church leaders - including churchwardens, are encouraged to attend this session if they are available. However it is open to all church members who wish to find out more, so please come along too.

Thank you to those who have already agreed to go. If you are going to attend please could you let me know as soon as possible, as I have to register your attendance with the Diocesan Safeguarding team and they will contact you with more details. Revd Chris ([chris.hewitt@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:chris.hewitt@lincoln.anglican.org))

## Advent Service

**Advanced notice that this year we will be holding our Advent service on December 1st (Advent Sunday) at Stainton le Vale at 6pm.**

The service is based on the Great O Antiphons. It includes readings relevant to each verse of the Advent Hymn *O Come, O Come Emmanuel*, and also many of the lovely Advent hymns that often get lost amongst Christmas carols. Part of the service is held by candlelight so it really is quite beautiful.

We do hope that as many of you as possible will join us to mark the start of Advent in this way and to take time out of busy lives to stop and reflect before the run up to Christmas. Stainton le Vale church is always beautifully warm and welcoming and lifts can be made available if required. Please contact a member of the ministry team if you would like help with this.



# Service of Light

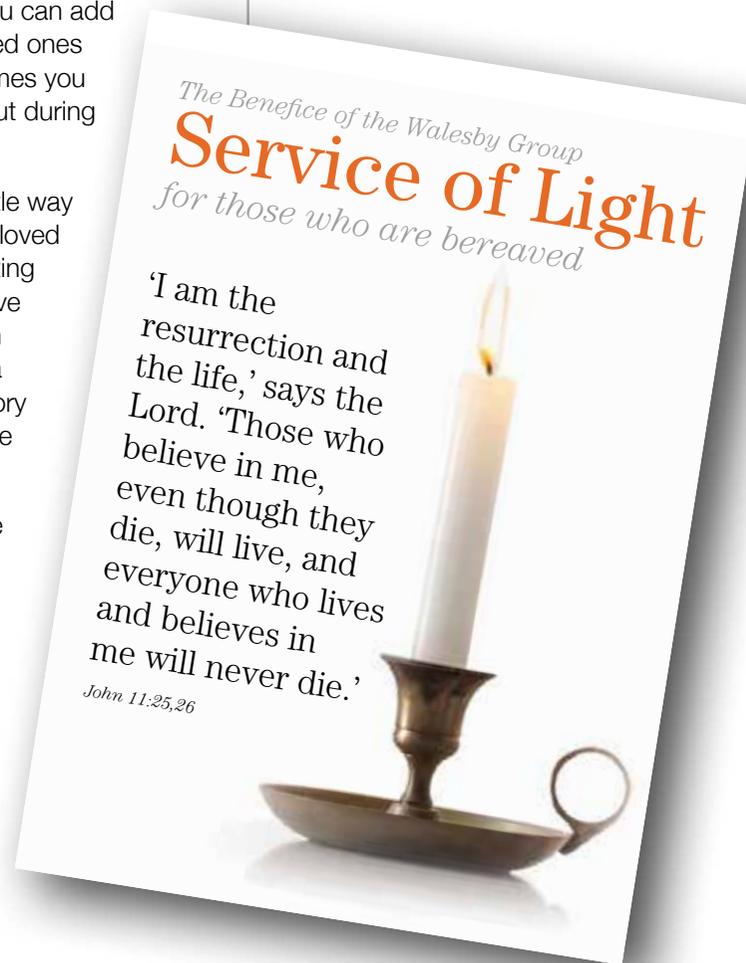
**Our annual Service of Light for all who are bereaved (no matter how long ago a loved one has died) will be held on Sunday 4th November at 4.00pm at All Saints Church Tealby.**

A form will be available in all the churches of the Walesby Group from the beginning of October to which you can add the name of any loved ones departed whose names you would like reading out during the service.

The service is a gentle way of remembering our loved ones and of celebrating their lives and our love for them. There is an opportunity to light a candle in their memory and have a quiet time of reflection.

Refreshments will be served in the church after the service. If you are aware of anyone who you think would benefit from knowing about this service please do talk to a member of the

ministry team. If you are unable to get to a church in the Group to register names then you may email them to either Revd Chris Hewitt on [chris.hewitt@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:chris.hewitt@lincoln.anglican.org) or Revd Elaine Turner on [elaine.turner@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:elaine.turner@lincoln.anglican.org)



# REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY 2018

**On Sunday 11th November we are holding a service of Remembrance at All Saints Church Tealby at 10.30am on the anniversary of the end of World War 1.**

Everyone will be made very welcome at this formal act of Remembrance, which will include the national 2 minute silence at 11.00am.

In preparation for the service a display of poppies is being made. The idea is to have the same number of poppies as the number of men and women from

the parishes of the Walesby Group who died in two world wars and in many conflicts since. Because of the 1075 men lost from RAF Binbrook then the total number is well over 1100. Ladies (and maybe a few men) have been knitting and crocheting poppies for the display over the last few months and we hope that you will find the display stunning and a suitable focus for remembrance.

A collection for the Royal British Legion will be made at the service.

Refreshments will be available after the service in the church. If you are able to bring a plate of food for sharing that would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.



# COMPANIONS (OF THE WOLDS) VISIT TO BOMBER COMMAND IN LINCOLN

On a perfect, bright day in mid-September, nine members of the Companions group together with Revd Chris and myself visited the new International Bomber Command Centre in Lincoln. This visit was the last meeting of our summer programme and was much enjoyed by all who attended.

When we arrived we had our own guided tour of the grounds surrounding the new exhibition centre and saw the beautiful peace gardens laid out to commemorate the war dead of each continent. Some 4000 plant species from the different continents have been collected and planted by volunteers over about 10 acres. We then walked towards the memorial spire and walls, passing the paved ribbon of remembrance on our way. The walls are covered with the names of almost 58,000 men and women who perished serving the Command during WW2 and this is the only place in the world where all these names are memorialised. The

spire itself, made of Corten steel, is fantastic and commands wonderful views over Lincoln and particularly to the Cathedral.

After a very enjoyable lunch in the restaurant we went into the interactive exhibition centre where some of us tried our hand at navigating a bomber on a raid, unsuccessfully I have to say! The exhibition houses some poignant film and photographs as well as information on the home front.

If you haven't yet been I thoroughly recommend it to you. You need about 3 hours to enjoy it fully.

The new programme of events for the Companions group covering the coming few months will be sent out to members in the next few weeks. If you are interested in joining this ladies only group (*sorry gentlemen*) please do contact me for details.

*Revd Elaine*



# SUNFLOWERS

I am delighted to say that we have a new winner this year, **Evelyn Wheatley**, of Normanby le Wold who has managed to produce a sunflower with 2 flower heads at a massive height of 3.15m (*10ft 4inches*). Congratulations Evelyn

In second place at a height of 2.9m is **Pat Spolton** of Claxby and in third at 2.77m and a whopping 24 heads on her plant are Helen Wilson, also of Claxby, and her grandchildren.

Thanks also to *Wendy Roe, Eva Desposito, Andy Roberts, John Brant, Iris Wallace, Doug Cullen, and Moira Galloway* for their great efforts.

The pumpkins will be measured in mid-October and the results announced in the next edition of Wolds Witness.

Thank you to all who have taken part in this light-hearted competition

*Revd Elaine*



ST MICHAEL &  
ALL ANGELS  
BROOKENBY

Thrifty

**Go through Church entrance and then turn right. Open 11am until 4pm**

*(Closed Sunday and Monday)*

New, nearly new and second-hand clothing, household, kitchenware, toys, books, CDs, DVDs, shoes, boots etc.

## VERY REASONABLE PRICES

**Please note: due to a change in insurer we are currently unable to receive donations of electrical items**

Thrifty proceeds are donated to *St Michael and All Angels, Church, Brookenby*, which is part of the Walesby Group of Parishes. Any donations of good quality Clothes, Household goods, Toys and Bric-a-brac always gratefully received.

**For more information please contact  
Janine 07502 395455**



# THORESWAY HARVEST FESTIVAL

Thoresway Harvest Festival Service will be held on Thursday 18th October at 6.30 pm followed by traditional supper of **Lincolnshire sausages and mash, apple crumble and a glass of wine or ale.**

Tickets are £10 and are available from Debbie Rudd Tel: 01472 399781.

Everyone in the Walesby Group is welcome to share in this event and we look forward to seeing you.



# DEANERY QUIET DAY

There will be a Deanery Quiet day on Saturday October 13th led by Revd and Mrs Rice-Oxley on the war poetry of Woodbine Willie. It will be held at Stewton Church (*near Louth*) and further details will be posted on the Walesby Group website nearer the time. There is no cost. If you are interested, please keep an eye on the website. <http://lincoln.ourchurchweb.org.uk/walesby>



# READINGS FOR THE PRINCIPAL SERVICES OF THE DAY, YEAR B

The First three Readings are used at services of Holy Communion, only the two shown in bold are used at other services. (*The Psalm may be used at any service at the discretion of the minister leading the service.*)

## 7th October, Trinity 19/ Proper 22 – Green

**Genesis 2: 18-24**, Hebrews 1:1-4 & 2:5-12, **Mark 10:2-16**, (Psalm 8).

## 14th October, Trinity 20/ Proper 23 – Green

**Amos 5:6-7 & 10-15**, Hebrews 4:12-16, **Mark 10:17-31**, (Psalm 90:12-17).

## 21st October, Trinity 21 / Proper 24 – Green

**Isaiah 53: 4-12**, Hebrews 5: 1-10, **Mark 10: 35-45**, (Psalm 91: 9-16).

## 28th October, St Simon & St Jude – Red

**Isaiah 28: 14-16**, Ephesians 2: 19-end, **John 15:17-end**, (Psalm 119: 89-96).

## 4th November, All Saints Sunday – White or Gold

**Isaiah 25: 6-9**, Revelation 21: 1-6a, **John 11:32-44**, (Psalm 24: 1-6).

## 11th November, Remembrance Sunday – Red

**Jonah 3: 1-5**, **10**, Hebrews 9: 24 – end, **Mark 1, 14-20**, (Psalm 100).

## 18th November, 2nd before Advent – Red

**Daniel 12: 1-3**, Hebrews 10: 11 – 25, **Mark 13: 1-8**, (Psalm 16).

## 25th November, Christ the King – Red

**Daniel 7: 9-10**, **13-14**, Revelation 1: 4b-8, **John 18: 33-37**, (Psalm 93).

## 2nd December, Advent Sunday – Purple – Start of Year C

**Jeremiah 33: 14-16**, 1 Thessalonians 3: 9-13, **Luke 21: 25-36**, (Psalm 25: 1-10).

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## FOR HARVEST SERVICES – Green

**Joel 2: 21-27**; 1 Timothy 2: 1-7; **Matthew 6: 25-33**

# GROUP SERVICES FOR OCTOBER

Sunday	07-Oct	Trinity 19	
Claxby	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd ET
Brookenby	10.30am	Harvest Communion (CW)	Revd CH
Walesby	10.30am	Morning Prayer	Lay led
Tealby	10.30am	Morning Prayer	Revd LG
<b>Nth Willingham</b>	<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Harvest Festival</b>	<b>Revd CH</b>
Tuesday	09-Oct		
Walesby	6.15pm	Holy Communion + prayer	Revd E Turner
Friday	12-Oct		
<b>Stainton</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Harvest Festival</b>	<b>Revd CH / R Sutton</b>
Sunday	14-Oct	Trinity 20	
Normanby	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Revds CH & LG
Stainton	9.30am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	R Sutton
Thoresway	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Revd ET
Walesby	10.30am	Family Service Harvest Service	lay led Walesby
Brookenby	10.30am	Methodist Service	Methodist led
<b>Claxby</b>	<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Harvest Festival</b>	<b>Revd CH</b>
Thursday	18th-Oct		
<b>Thoresway</b>	<b>6.30pm</b>	<b>Harvest Festival</b>	<b>Revd CH</b>
Sunday	21-Oct	Trinity 21	
Nth Willingham	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd CH
Tealby	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Revd ET
Brookenby	10.30am	Family Service	J Shackleton
Claxby		No morning prayer	
<b>Kirmond</b>	<b>4.00pm</b>	<b>Harvest Festival</b>	<b>Revd CH</b>
Sunday	28-Oct	Sts Simon and Jude	
Stainton(with Croxby)	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd ET
Walesby	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Revd ET
Brookenby	10.30am	Methodist service	Methodist led
Normanby	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Cl Turner

# GROUP SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

Sunday	4-Nov	4th Before Advent /All Saints Sunday	
Claxby	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd CH
Tealby	10.30am	Morning Prayer	Revd CH
Brookenby	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Revd ET
Walesby	10.30am	Morning Prayer	Lay led
Tealby	4.00pm	Service of Light	Ministry team
Sunday	11-Nov	Remembrance Sunday	
Normanby	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd CH
Stainton	9.30am	Remembrance Morning prayer	R Sutton
Tealby	10.30am	Group Remembrance Service	Ministry team
Brookenby	10.30am	Methodist Service	Methodist led
Walesby	10.30am	Family Service	Lay led
Tuesday	13-Nov		
Walesby	6.15pm	Holy Communion and prayer	Revd ET
Sunday	18-Nov	2nd Before Advent	
Nth Willingham	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd CH
Claxby	10.30am	Morning service	Lay led
Tealby	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Revds ET & LG
Brookenby	10.30am	Family Service	Janine Shackleton
Thoresway	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Revd CH
Kirmond	4.00pm	Evening Prayer	Cl Turner & Revd CH
Sunday	25-Nov	Christ the King	
Croxby ( with Stainton)	9.00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd ET
Walesby	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Revd CH
Brookenby	10.30am	Methodist Service	Methodist led
Normanby	6.00pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	Cl Turner & Revd CH
Sunday	2-Dec	Advent Sunday	
Claxby	9,00am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd ET
Brookenby	10.30am	Holy Communion (CW)	Revd CH
Tealby	10.30am	Morning Prayer	Revd LG
Walesby	10.30am	Morning Prayer	Lay led
Stainton	6.00 pm	Advent Service (Great O Antiphons)	Ministry team

# BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES & FUNERALS

## BAPTISM

**9th September** at Walesby: **Mia Elizabeth Oliver**

**30th September** at Brookenby: **Amelia Rose Harrison**

## MARRIAGES

**22nd August** at Claxby: **Eric Groot and Nicola Bawn**

**1st September** at Tealby : **Andrew Thomas and Joanne Clements**

**8th September** at Tealby : **Thomas Bell and Emma Tyson**

**22nd September** at Tealby : **Thomas Colvill and Lorna Cooper**

## FUNERALS

**28th September** at Walesby: **Thanksgiving Service for the Life of Donald Brumby**

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## THE MINISTRY TEAM

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**Revd Leslie Giller** Retired URC Priest & Lay Minister

**Clarissa Turner** Lay Reader

**Janine Shackleton** Lay Minister

Your ministry team is always pleased to receive information concerning those who wish to be visited because of illness or other need and are also happy to take Holy Communion to anyone unable to attend church for any reason.

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### THE BENEFICE OF THE WALESBY GROUP

Brookenby, Claxby, Croxby, Kirmond le Mire, Normanby le Wold, North Willingham,  
Stainton le Vale, Tealby, Thoresway and Walesby