

Parish of Wiverton in the Vale: One flock, One Shepherd, Six Pastures
Notices 26th May 2019, Sixth week of Easter

Alleluia! Christ is risen! He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Welcome to our services this Sunday

9.00am **Holy Communion**, St Michael and All Angels, Elton

Rev Canon Keith Turner

10.30am **Holy Communion**, St Giles', Cropwell Bishop

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10.30am **Rogation Sunday Worship**, Holy Trinity, Tythby and around the Farm (*weather permitting*), *Gordon White, former churchwarden*

Did you know...?

- Rogation Sunday falls on the Sunday before Ascension Day;
- The word Rogation comes from the Latin rogare, "to ask";
- It's the day at the start of the growing season when the Church has traditionally offered prayer for God's blessings on the fruits of the earth and the labours of those who produce our food.
- Our celebration of Rogation Sunday, beginning at the little church in Tythby before taking in different aspects of the farm next door, is open to all, and an ideal opportunity to invite a friend or neighbour.



Thanks for all who have contributed or helped in one way or another with our Christian Aid Week efforts. We'll let you know the final amount collected once all has been checked and passed on.

Let's celebrate!

Ascension Day is a major Christian festival, occurring forty days after Easter. This year it falls on Thursday 30th May. In common with churches around the world, we mark it with a special service of Holy Communion and the opportunity to be reminded of the events and significance of this. The service will be at 7.30pm, at the church of St Michael and All Angels, Elton. It is no longer a public holiday in this country, but even if, or maybe *especially* if, you will have been hard at work all day, please come along and share in this, followed by sparkling refreshment.

Advertising for a new Rector goes live

For full details, including the advertisement plus our Parish Profile, please go to the website: www.wivertoninthevale.co.uk/vacancy. Please pray over this process, whether on your own or with others. A special **Prayer Focus** has been introduced on Friday mornings, 9.00am in St Giles' Church, Cropwell Bishop, to follow on from Morning Prayer, and is open to all.

Diary for the week beginning 26th May

Monday 27th May

Morning Prayer, 8.30am, St Giles', Cropwell Bishop

Time for You, 9.00-10.00am, St Giles', Cropwell Bishop

Tuesday 28th May

Barnstone Under Fives Group, 9.30 – 11.00am

for babies to toddlers under 5, Barnstone Village Hall;

Wednesday 29th May

"Coffee, Cake and Chat" 9am-11am St Giles, Cropwell Bishop, for all generations, with **Bell-ringer Beginners** from 10am;

Thursday 30th May

A celebratory service of **Holy Communion for Ascension Day**,

7.30pm, St Michael & All Angels', Elton, sparkling refreshment to follow;

Friday 31st May

Morning Prayer, 8.30am, St Giles', Cropwell Bishop

Prayer Focus for the appointment of a new Rector, 9.00am St Giles;

Saturday 1st June

Pop-up Café, 10am-12noon, St Andrew's, Langar, with delicious cakes and bakes. All welcome!

House Groups. *New members welcome – any enquiries to leaders:*

Monday evening (fortnightly) Langar; Robin & Julie Coles:

01949 860655, robin.coles@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Tuesday afternoon, Cropwell Bishop 2.15 for 2.30 -4.00pm

Hilary Tabron: 0115 9894836 hilary.tabron@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Tuesday evening Granby, 7.15 for 7.30 – 9.00pm Maureen Wright:

01949 850441 maureen.wright@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Wednesday evening Cropwell Bishop, 7.15 for 7.30 - 9.00pm

Ann Mansell: 0115 9892770 ann.mansell@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Can you help the Barnstone Under Fives Group? (see Tuesday)

To help sustain and grow this small friendly group it really needs more volunteers to help with refreshments. There's a particular need in June and July, so even if you can only offer one date, please contact Lucy: 07974 145392 or lucy.paine@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Next week's worship, Sunday 2nd June

10.30am **All Parish Holy Communion for All Ages**

St Andrew's, Langar

6.00pm **All Parish Evensong** with Joint Churches Choir,

All Saints', Granby

Looking further ahead

Tuesday 4th June: THY KINGDOM COME 'Service' with meditation stations and readings at St Giles', Cropwell Bishop, 10.30 – 11.30am
Coffee and cake to follow, all welcome.

Saturday 8th June: Pentecost Family Festival, Bishop's Manor, Southwell, 11am until 2.30pm. This is a FREE EVENT aimed at families with children aged 5-11 (there will be creche activities for younger children), to celebrate Pentecost and enjoy worship, activities, games and refreshments – there will be food trucks and an ice-cream van there all day.

PRAYER MATTERS: People and places suffering the effects of disaster or conflict; our nation and government as a new Prime Minister is sought and BREXIT still to be arranged; our worship and witness; Samuel Wight being baptised this weekend, his parents Eric and Helen and his Godparents; church leaders, especially our Archdeacon elect, Rev Canon Phil Williams; our Parish and responses to advertising for a new Rector; those suffering ill-health or infirmity, including those for whom we have been asked to pray: Roger Fletcher, Kathleen Hardy, Dick Bond, Marion Garner, Trevor Simpson; those who have died recently including Georgina Smith, or whose anniversary falls at this time, and those who mourn them.

Please let Hilary Tabron (contact details under House Groups) know if you would like someone added to this prayer list

THIS WEEK'S READINGS

For Holy Communion Acts 16.9-15; John 14.23-29

For Rogation: Job 38.1-11, 16-18; Acts 14.8-18

Psalm if required: Psalm 147.1-12

QUESTIONS OF GIVING

WHY? Practically speaking, to cover costs: the ministry, mission and ongoing maintenance of the churches in the Parish, cost over £2200 a week. As Christians, we want to play our part in this in line with Biblical teaching and in response to God's generosity to us.

HOW MUCH? The C of E asks its members to aim towards giving at least 10% of their income back to God, suggesting 5% to church and 5% to other charities. Some do, but we realise, especially in times of austerity, that this may not be feasible and we are truly thankful for **all** your offering in money, time and skill.

DID YOU KNOW? The Church of England receives no government funding, but is able to claim Gift Aid on donations, within the terms of the scheme.

HOW CAN WE GIVE? Most of our worshippers and wider supporters give regularly by standing order. The practice of passing round an offertory plate during services raises a significant amount of additional money and is a demonstration of commitment and generosity, which visitors can join in with.

If you would like to find out more about contributing by standing-order, or to change an existing order, please contact Max in confidence

treasurer@wivertoninthevale.co.uk

Keeping in touch; staying informed

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