

Weekly Pewsheet

Service Details and Notices

Second Sunday of Epiphany Sunday 18 January 2015

St Mary Ashwell

Oakham	8:00am Holy Communion (CW Trad) 10:30am Family Communion 12:15pm Baptism 6:00pm Evensong
Whissendine	11:00am Holy Communion
Ashwell	11:00am Family Service
Teigh	6:00pm Evensong
Market Overton	9:00am Family Service
Langham	4:00pm Church@4 - 'Listen!'
Braunston	11:00am Ecumenical Service
Brooke	8:00am Holy Communion
Hambleton	No service
Egleton	9:15am Holy Communion (CW Trad)

If you are new to this church or visiting, please make yourself known to the clergy or churchwardens.

If you wish to receive Holy Communion in your pew, or would like a large print version of this Pewsheet, please ask a sidesperson.

Please take this Pewsheet home



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Churches Together in Oakham Pulpit Exchange

As we start the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, we welcome the following local ministers to our Team Churches today: **Philip Jones**, Lay Pastor at Oakham Methodist Church preaches at Oakham Family Communion; **Revd John Ansley**, Minister at Oakham Methodist Church, preaches at Braunston; and **Revd Roy Burley**, Padre at Kendrew Barracks, preaches at Whissendine.

Our own clergy are also visiting other Churches today: **Revd Dr Dominic Coad** preaches at St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, and **Revd Hildred Crowther** at Oakham Congregational Church. **Canon Lee Francis-Dehqani** is preaching at St Peter's Empingham for their benefice service.

Collect

Almighty God,
in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
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.**

First Reading – *1 Samuel 3.1-10**

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. The word of the LORD was rare in those days; visions were not widespread. At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. Then the LORD called, 'Samuel! Samuel!' and he said, 'Here I am!' and ran to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call; lie down again.' So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, 'Samuel!' Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' But he said, 'I did not call, my son; lie down again.' Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, 'Here I am, for you called me.' Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, 'Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, "Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening."' So Samuel went and lay down in his place. Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, 'Samuel! Samuel!' And Samuel said, 'Speak, for your servant is listening.'

Second Reading – Revelation 5.1-10

I saw in the right hand of the one seated on the throne a scroll written on the inside and on the back, sealed with seven seals; and I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, 'Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?' And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it. And I began to weep bitterly because no one was found worthy to open the scroll or to look into it. Then one of the elders said to me, 'Do not weep. See, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that he can open the scroll and its seven seals.' Then I saw between the throne and the four living creatures and among the elders a Lamb standing as if it had been slaughtered, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. He went and took the scroll from the right hand of the one who was seated on the throne. When he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell before the Lamb, each holding a harp and golden bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints. They sing a new song: 'You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slaughtered and by your blood you ransomed for God saints from every tribe and language and people and nation; you have made them to be a kingdom and priests serving our God, and they will reign on earth.'

Gospel – John 1.43-51

The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, 'Follow me.' Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, 'We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth.' Nathanael said to him, 'Can anything good come out of Nazareth?' Philip said to him, 'Come and see.' When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, 'Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!' Nathanael asked him, 'Where did you come to know me?' Jesus answered, 'I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you.' Nathanael replied, 'Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!' Jesus answered, 'Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these.' And he said to him, 'Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man.'

Post Communion Prayer

God of glory,
you nourish us with your Word
who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit
that through us the light of your glory
may shine in all the world.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Today

SUNDAY 18 JANUARY

4:00pm – **CHURCH@4 – LISTEN!**

St Peter & St Paul Langham

Come and experience God's call in a practical way!.

This Week

TUESDAY 20 JANUARY

10:00am - 12:00pm – **OPEN HOUSE**

**Home of Beryl & David Kirtland,
25 Brooke Road, Oakham**

All are welcome to call in for tea or coffee and a friendly chat.

7:30pm – **GOOD NEWS VAN**

St John & St Anne, South Street

WEDNESDAY 21 JANUARY

10:00am – **MOTHERS' UNION**

CORPORATE COMMUNION

Chapel of St John & St Anne, Westgate

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

Lydia Taylor mezzo-soprano

Quilter Five Shakespeare Songs, op. 23

Corigliano Marvellous Invention

Quilter Love's Philosophy

THURSDAY 22 JANUARY

10:30am – **TEAM WALKING GROUP**

The Wheatsheaf, Northgate, Oakham

A walk of about 5 miles starting at The Wheatsheaf, and returning for lunch there afterwards. There is parking

available near the pub. Group contact Dennis Corton on 01572 722272.

7:30pm – **WHISSENDINE SAINTLY SOCIAL – The Three Horseshoes, Whissendine**

Our regular monthly gathering makes a welcome return under a different guise (previously known as Parson's Pints!). Come along to welcome in the New Year, tell us what you got for Christmas and for a chat and good company - All welcome! Venue will alternate between pubs. First Meeting at the Three Horseshoes. For more information contact John Brookes on 01644 474254

FRIDAY 23 JANUARY

10:00am-2:00pm – **DISCOVERY DAY**

**Oakham Methodist Church,
Northgate**

Do You Know What I Have Done to You – The Bahamas

Organised by Women's World Day of Prayer. To reserve lunch or for more information please phone Christine Carlin (01572 722698). RSVP by Monday 19 January. £5 including lunch and drinks.

SATURDAY 24 JANUARY

8:30am – **CHURCHES TOGETHER**

PRAYER BREAKFAST

Victoria Hall, Oakham

Meeting Jesus at the Rutland Food Bank

Speakers from the Food Bank. Tickets (which must be obtained in advance) from Patrick or Marjorie Wilson – 01572 723288.

SUNDAY 25 JANUARY

6:00pm – **HEALING EUCHARIST WITH LAYING ON OF HANDS**

All Saints Oakham

A quiet reflective service of Holy Communion, with opportunity for prayer and the laying on of hands and anointing – replaces Evensong. **There will be a service of Evensong at Braunston Church at 4pm.**

Looking Ahead

TUESDAY 27 JANUARY

10:00am – **BIBLE STUDY**

25 Willow Crescent, Oakham

WEDNESDAY 28 JANUARY

1:30pm – **MUSIC AT LUNCHTIME**

All Saints Oakham

Megu Marumoto violin

Beethoven Romance in F

Kabalevsky Concerto in C (movt I)

FRIDAY 30 JANUARY

7:30pm – **RUTLAND THREE ARTS SOCIETY VISUAL ARTS GROUP**

All Saints Church Hall, Oakham

Oakham School Drama Group

Non-members welcome (£3 charge).

SUNDAY 1 FEBRUARY

11:00am – **CONFIRMATION SERVICE**

St Andrew Whissendine

This will be one joint service for the four Northern parishes. Bishop John Holbrook will be with us for the service, which will be followed by a

shared lunch. **No services in Teigh, Ashwell or Market Overton that day.**

SATURDAY 28 FEBRUARY

7:30pm – **CELLO RECITAL**

St Peter & St Paul Langham

Gabriel Francis-Dehqani *cello* with **Fraser Graham** *piano*

Gabriel is an aspiring young 'cellist, and this programme demonstrates his appetite for music of different genres, with a programme including Brahms, Shostakovich as well as the premier of several movements from Peter Witchell's 2011 Cello Sonata. Doors open and bar from 7:00pm. Tickets £10 (students £5) from Debbie (723533), Hilary (757435), Music&More or wegottickets.com.

Please pray for

- **Ava Mia Davies**, who will be baptised at Oakham today, and her parents **Kirsty** and **Edward**;
- The family and friends of **Mary Poulton**, whose funeral took place at Marholm Cemetery on Friday 9 January, and of **Sicily Turner**, whose funeral took place at Langham on Friday 16 January;
- The families and school friends of Anna and Anastasia as a new term begins.
- Victims of religious extremism especially the people of France, Pakistan and the girls kidnapped in Nigeria

- The victims of the Ebola outbreak and those working to stop it and to develop a vaccine;
- The hostages held by religious extremists and their families and friends;
- The people of Hong Kong;
- The people whose lives are torn apart by war and violence, especially in Syria and Iraq;
- The Rutland Food Bank;
- The Drop-in Centre for more people to join the cooking team;
- Justin and John our Archbishops and Donald and John, our Bishops;
- Lee, Janet, Hildred & Dominic, our Team Clergy, and all lay members of the Ministry Team;
- All who are persecuted for their faith, especially in Sudan, CAR, Kenya, Syria, Somalia, Eritrea, North Korea, China, Indonesia, Northern Nigeria, Iran, Iraq, Egypt and Pakistan;
- Madeleine McCann and her family and all missing children

Laudamus Team Choir

Laudamus, the joint Team Choir, practises at Whissendine from 7pm to 8:30pm on the Tuesdays preceding the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sundays of the month, and welcomes new members, especially perhaps those who might find the commitment of singing every week too much.

We are currently looking forward to Ash Wednesday, Maundy Thursday and Good Friday services as well as the Choral Evensong at Market Overton on 8 March, and a 'Come & Sing' Stainer's Crucifixion on Palm Sunday.

Please talk to Kevin Slingsby (01572 460000) for more details.

Fairtrade

The total sales over the last three months of 2014 amounted to a massive £1282.71 – this includes a wonderful £844.35 being orders and sales of Christmas foods, cards and gifts.

Many, many thanks to everyone who contributed to this excellent figure – it may be somewhat of a cliché, BUT your purchases really do make a huge difference to the producers Traidcraft works with!

The stall will be in Church after the 10:30 service on Sunday 18 January and again on 1 February.

Pewsheets Notices

Please note that the deadline for Pewsheets notices is **11am on Wednesday** each week, and that notices should be sent to **notices@oakhamteam.org.uk** rather than to the office or individual addresses please.



St Peter & St Paul's Church
Langham

Church@4



**** Activities ** Worship ** Refreshments ****
Sunday 18 January - 4:00pm



Around the diocese

“Are you there? It’s me God”

Deborah Hicks, a first year ordinand from Kettering and blogger was one of the people to attend the recent “Are you being Called?” vocations day. This is an edited version of her article which you can read in full at www.allthroughthestorm.blogspot.co.uk.

Way back in July my email pinged with an invitation from Steve Benoy. Invitations bring out the best and worst in me. A combination of ‘ooh yeay - people!’ And at the same time ‘ooooohhh no - people!’ I love other people but can easily find myself overwhelmed. The invitation was to the Are You Being Called day where lovely people from all over the diocese can come along and spend the day beginning to explore what God might be saying to them about a ministerial life. I had been invited to share some of my story about exploring my call to ordained ministry. What a privilege to be invited to talk about God clearly at work not only in my life but those around me. And to point so freely to what He will do when we surrender to him.

I wanted to embrace the ‘ooh people - yeay!’ element of the day because I had sat in the same place four years ago, wondering what on earth I was doing there, while at the same time wondering what could God calling me to, outside working in the bank. And I hoped to encourage the people I met that no-one is ever truly certain that God is calling them out, that we can only ever try to discern and test; so it was ok to be sitting there listening to everyone else and think “it’s all right for them..” and hear that both people sharing their testimonies that morning had felt the same way over the years.

There were some amazing people to meet on the day. In a discussion group I met Stuart, Linda, Andrea and Sarah. What a precious bunch they were too. God is so on

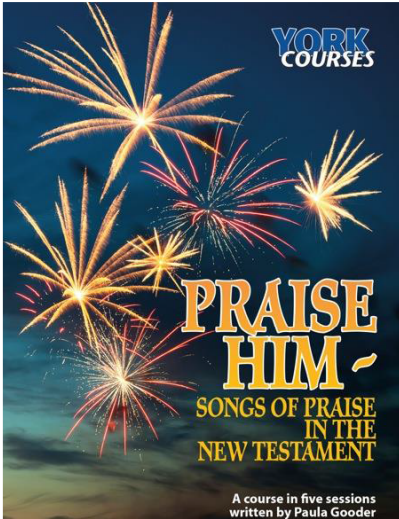
the move - He’s brought the people on the day; and Rosie and I listened, utterly blessed and so privileged to hear stories of coming to faith, of doors closing and other doors opening. Of God gently guiding his children along the path He has laid out for them. There is something humbling and incredibly special about being allowed to share in what God is doing in someone else’s life.

The day was incredibly well structured. We then heard some testimony from an Ordinand, and from a Lay Minister. Both talked of feeling uncertain of their call, both spoke, eloquently, of being Christians at work, and not understanding why might God be calling them? They didn’t feel equipped for a start.

One of the things which struck me was how there was a common theme running through everyone who came along to Are You Being Called. It was not just Jesus. Underneath Jesus, Grace was the thought - that I’m not equipped to serve in any form of ministry when I think about the skills, talents or experience I bring to the table, and neither does anyone else. The point is, for each one of us, when God calls us He is calling us to partner with Him in what he is already doing, in our lives, and in the lives around us. Someone once said, “God doesn’t call the equipped, He equips the called.” I’m so glad he does - personally, I wouldn’t have it any other way.

*If you want to explore ministry without any obligation, contact Canon Steve Benoy
01604 887047*

Praise Him – Songs of praise in the New Testament



We are used to singing hymns of praise when we go to church but often we miss the hymns and poems that are there in the New Testament. This course will explore five different Songs of Praise from the New Testament, looking at what they tell us about God and Jesus but also reflecting on what they tell us about us and our faith.

An ecumenical course in five sessions written by Dr Paula Gooder ideal for Lent, yet not Lent-specific.

1. Gratitude (Ephesians 1.3-14)
2. Image of God (Colossians 1.15-20)
3. Humility (Philippians 2.5-11)
4. New birth (1 Peter 1.3-12)
5. Word made flesh (John 1.1-14)

The course booklet, written and introduced by New Testament scholar [Dr Paula Gooder](#) includes a good selection of questions at the end of each of the five sessions, designed to stimulate wide-ranging discussion.

The participants on the course CD are [Archbishop Justin Welby](#), [Sister Wendy Beckett](#) and actor [David Suchet CBE](#).

Methodist [Moira Sleight](#) provides the Closing Reflection at the end of each session.

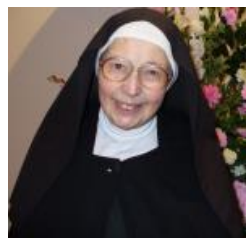
Please sign up on the sheets available in all Team Churches.

Dr Paula Gooder is Theologian-in-residence for the Bible Society. She is Canon Theologian of Birmingham and Guildford Cathedrals, Lay Canon at Salisbury Cathedral, a Six preacher of Canterbury Cathedral, Vice president of the Bible Society, Visiting lecturer at King's College, London, and Associate lecturer at St Mellitus College, London. She is a Reader in the Church of England and a member of General Synod.



The Most Reverend Justin Welby was educated at Eton College and Trinity College, Cambridge, where he studied history and law. He subsequently took a theology degree at St John's College, Durham, in which he focused on ethics – particularly in business and has since published articles on ethics, international finance and reconciliation. He was enthroned as the 105th Archbishop of Canterbury in 2013.

Sister Wendy became a nun at the age of 16, graduated from St Anne's College, Oxford with highest honours, went on to live for nearly 20 years as a hermit, and then was exposed to the world in a successful television career as the 'art nun'. She is the author of over 20 books with art as the main theme. She continues to live a cloistered life, devoted to prayer.



David Suchet CBE is an Associate Artist and Governor of the Royal Shakespeare Company, and a multi-award winning actor. He has featured in many documentaries, including *In The Footsteps of St Paul* and *Being Poirot*. A Vice President of the Bible Society, David has made a 80-hour-long audio recording of the entire NIV Bible for Hodder Faith.

Maira Sleight is Editor and Publisher of the Methodist Recorder weekly national newspaper. She is a Board member of the Society of Editors and also of the London Press Club.



Services During The Week

<i>Monday</i> 19 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 9:00 Morning Prayer Langham	2:00 Pram & Toddler Oakham 4:30 Evening Prayer Oakham 5:00 Evening Prayer Langham
<i>Tuesday</i> 20 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 10:00 Holy Communion Oakham	4:00 Evening Prayer Oakham
<i>Wednesday</i> 21 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 9:00 Morning Prayer Langham 10:00 Holy Communion J&A	4:30 Evening Prayer Oakham 5:00 Evening Prayer Langham 5:30 Meditation J&A
<i>Thursday</i> 22 Jan	9:00 Team Communion Oakham 9:45 Tiny Tots Oakham 10:30 Little Angels Market Overton	12:00 Ecumenical Prayer Oakham 4:30 Evening Prayer Oakham
<i>Friday</i> 23 Jan	8:30 Morning Prayer Oakham 9:00 Morning Prayer Langham 10:00 BCP Communion Oakham	12:30 Village Prayers Braunston 4:30 Evening Prayer Oakham 5:00 Evening Prayer Langham

Services Next Sunday – 25 January (Conversion of Paul)

<i>Oakham</i>	8:00 Holy Communion (CW Trad) 10:30 Parish Communion	6:00 Healing Eucharist with Laying on of Hands
<i>Whissendine</i>	11:00 Holy Communion	
<i>Teigh</i>	9:00 Holy Communion (BCP)	
<i>Market Overton</i>	9:00 Holy Communion	
<i>Ashwell</i>	11:00 Holy Communion	
<i>Langham</i>	11:00 Extended Communion	
<i>Braunston</i>		4:00 Evensong
<i>Brooke</i>	8:00 Holy Communion	
<i>Hambleton</i>	9:15 Holy Communion (CW Trad)	
<i>Egleton</i>		

Next Week's Readings at Holy Communion

Conversion of Paul: Jeremiah 1.4-10; Acts 9.1-22; Matthew 19.27-30