

# The Combs and Finborough News Sheet

Combs with Gt and Lt Finborough, Buxhall, Onehouse, Harleston and Shelland

**WELCOME** as we keep in touch,  
pray and support each other  
especially those who cannot come  
back to our buildings yet.



**18th October 2020**  
**St Luke**

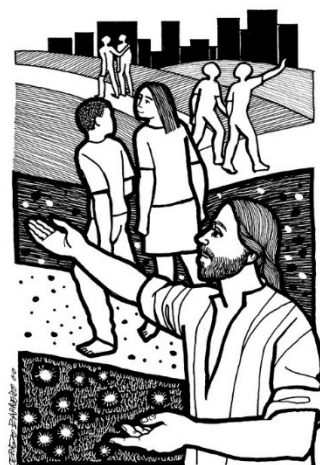
**Welcome** to the **Zoom service**. You might like to light a candle. Following Orthodox tradition and you may wish to join us with a piece of bread as the 'Bread of Fellowship' given to those in their churches who do not receive the Sacrament.

**Welcome** to **Holy Communion** at St Andrew's Gt Finborough at 11am

**Welcome** to **Evening Prayer** at Onehouse in church at 3pm

## Collect for today

Almighty God,  
you called Luke the physician,  
whose praise is in the Gospel,  
to be an evangelist and physician of the soul,  
by the grace of the Spirit  
and through the wholesome medicine of the Gospel  
give your church the same love and power to heal;  
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 forever **Amen**



## Readings

### Epistle – Acts of the Apostles 16.6-12a

They went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia. When they had come opposite Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them; so, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas. During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.' When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days.

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God**

### **Holy Gospel Luke 10.1-9 Glory to You O Lord**

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you."

This the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ**

## **Intercessions**

### **Diocesan Prayer for Generosity**

Loving God, you are always with us,  
And give us all we need to be your church in Suffolk.  
Help us, we pray, to give as we have received:  
Abundantly, generously, joyfully,  
That our worship and our service  
may bear witness to your kingdom of unfailing love.  
In the name of your son who gave his life for us, Jesus Christ Amen

Liberating God,  
you call your church to the service of your Son,  
in bringing good news to the poor,  
health to the sick, and reconciliation to the sinful.  
Hear our prayers especially today  
for all who offer chaplaincy in the Health Service,  
that they may support the stressed,  
comfort the suffering,  
and speak up for those whose voices are unheard.  
Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

Giver of Wisdom,  
pour out your gifts on the decision makers of our society,  
and especially on the politicians,  
civil servants and managers.  
May they be imaginative in their thinking,  
creative in their planning,  
and compassionate in their administration and care,  
nurturing the talents and well-being of all people  
and serving their needs.

Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

Lover of humanity,  
you call your people to be their brother's and sister's keepers.  
Hear us as we pray for our local hospitals,  
care homes and community services.  
We give you thanks for all who serve in them.  
Help those who can take responsibility  
for their own and their neighbour's needs,  
and bless all who harness the good will and help of volunteers.  
Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

Compassionate God,  
we hold before you all those in need of healing,  
comfort and encouragement,  
especially those who have asked for our prayers ...  
calm the anxious mind, bring balm to the depressed spirit,  
and strengthen the weakened body,  
that all who suffer in body mind and spirit,  
may know your healing presence  
surrounding and holding them.  
Lord, in your mercy **Hear our prayer**

Living God, teach us to know  
and accept the limitations of our mortality,  
that we do not burden others with unreasonable expectations,  
but live content with the many gifts we have received,  
and come at last to greet sister death  
as the companion who leads us into your greater life  
through him who died for us  
that we might live with you. Especially we remember

Merciful Father  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your son  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

**Stowmarket Foodbank**  
Supporting individuals and families in crisis

Your donations are very gladly received at this time of considerable need either by being left at the Supermarket in the box provided or in the Box outside the Food Bank in the Community Centre Hillside Stowmarket between 9 and 1 each weekday. **Monetary donations may be made through kindlink which can be reached by their website: [www.livingit.org.uk](http://www.livingit.org.uk) and Foodbank area! There is a red donate button.**

**URGENT NEEDS THIS WEEK** Toilet Rolls, tinned carrots and tinned Hot Dogs, THANK YOU

## Half Term Messy Church



Join us for one afternoon in each of Gt Finborough or Combs Churchyards for Bible themed socially distanced activity and fun . Dates tbc  
Contacts Jan Pearl, Irene Leech and Canon Pauline

## Remembering the Dear Departed **Change of plan**

Common sense dictates that we should not encourage large gatherings even if we are technically allowed to do so. We have decided to remember each person in the church with which they are associated on:-

Ist Nov	11am Combs	and	3pm Lt Finborough
8th Nov			3 pm Onehouse
15th Nov	11am Gt Finborough	and	3pm Shelland
22nd Nov			3pm Harleston
6th Dec	11am Buxhall		

Invitations are being sent to all who have lost loved ones recorded in our Registers over the past year and there will be an opportunity to leave a personal memory rather than lighting a candle. Booking into Chris or Pauline is essential with the number in your 'bubble' by Thursday. If you would like someone remembered, please let them know and where!

### Drive in **Cake Stall**

Wednesday 28th October 11am-1pm

St Marys Church Hall Poplar Hill IP14 2AY

Organised by St Mary's Church Combs

**MACMILLAN**  
CANCER SUPPORT

Enquiries to Jenny Straughier 07734 872718 or Jill Woolard on behalf of St Mary's Combs

Donations and cakes etc may be left at the Rectory Poplar Hill before 11am please

### Next Week:-

**Zoom services continue at 9.30am** - Access from [revcchilds@aol.com](mailto:revcchilds@aol.com)

25th Oct 11am Holy Communion Combs 3pm Evening Prayer Harleston

*All events are subject to change according to regulation*

*Morning Prayer on Wednesdays and Saturdays at 10am, Bible Study on Wednesdays at 4pm continue on Zoom – ask for details*

### **Church Annual (and Vestry) Meetings 7.30pm - on ZOOM**

Onehouse 19th October ditto Heidi Bingham

**Please remember the families and loved ones of those recently died**

Pat Creese

**May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory**

As a Group of Churches we are committed to promoting a 'Safer Church' for all. Information relating to Safeguarding is available in all our churches and from our Diocesan Website

<https://www.cofesuffolk.org/safeguarding>

This pew sheet is also now published on village websites including Combs Village by popular request!

<http://www.combsvillage.org.uk/st-marys-church/pew-sheets/>

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