

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.



8th November 2020
Remembrance

Welcome to the **Zoom service of Holy Communion**. 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.

Collect for today

Almighty Father,
whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son,
the King of all:
govern the hearts and minds of those in authority
and bring the families of the nations,
divided and torn apart by the ravages of sin,
to be subject to his just and gentle rule;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God,
now and for ever. **Amen**



Readings

Old Testament Lamentations 3 vs 22-26, 31-33

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.
'The Lord is my portion,' says my soul,
'therefore I will hope in him.'
The Lord is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the Lord.
For the Lord will not
reject for ever.
Although he causes grief, he will have compassion
according to the abundance of his steadfast love;
for he does not willingly afflict
or grieve anyone.

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

Holy Gospel John 1 vs 12-17 Glory to You O Lord

'This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another.

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

Intercessions

Let us pray for all who suffer as a result of conflict,
and ask that God may give us peace:
for the service men and women
who have died in the violence of war,
each one remembered by and known to God;
may God give peace. **God give peace.**

For those who love them in death as in life,
offering the distress of our grief
and the sadness of our loss;
may God give peace. **God give peace.**

For all members of the armed forces
who are in danger this day,
remembering family, friends
and all who pray for their safe return,
may God give peace. **God give peace.**

For civilian women, children and men
whose lives are disfigured by war or terror,
calling to mind in penitence
the anger and hatreds of humanity;
may God give peace. **God give peace.**

For peacemakers and peacekeepers,
who seek to keep this world secure and free;
may God give peace. **God give peace.**

For all who bear the burden and privilege of leadership,
political, military and religious;
asking for gifts of wisdom and resolve
in the search for reconciliation and peace;
may God give peace. **God give peace.**

O God of truth and justice,
we hold before you those whose memory we cherish,
and those whose names we will never know.
Help us to lift our eyes above the torment of this broken world,
and grant us the grace to pray for those who wish us harm.
As we honour the past,
may we put our faith in your future;
for you are the source of life and hope,
now and for ever. God give peace. **God give peace.**

And we bring before you Lord,
all who need our prayers this day,
the bereaved, those stressed by business,
domestic issues and those who are alone.
We remember especially.....
and those who have died.....

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**

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION POPPY APPEAL

Normally our offering at Church is given to the RBL.
Can I encourage you to donate by following the link
<https://www.britishlegion.org.uk/get-involved/ways-to-give/donate>
or on **0845 845 1945** by phone.



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 and Foodbank area! There is a red donate button.**

Mid Suffolk Filling Station on Zoom send Greetings and say:-

'There is so much going on in the world right now.

It is such a blessing that we can come together, as Christians in Mid-Suffolk, to support and encourage one another, and praise God together.

Our next meeting is via Zoom on Wed 11th Nov, at 7:30pm.

I am delighted to welcome back Alison Fenning to speak. The title of her talk is 'Immerse to emerge'.

Please speak to Andy Little Chris, Pauline or Derek Ames for Log in details

Study Course

We shall be following the Diocesan Course 'Living Advent' on Zoom from 4pm on Wednesday 2nd December and each Wednesday following – join when you can.
– the booklet is available in hard copy. Details from Pauline or Chris

and in the meantime are following a 4 week course on Living Prayer. There is picture and written material to look at, so please be in touch if you would like more information and the booklet.

Christmas Craft Club - On Zoom from Wednesday 18th November at 7pm.
Details from Lisa 01359 245013



Making simple Christmas decorations.

All materials are provided and can be delivered



Please remember those for whom this present new Lockdown is difficult as they will miss loved ones and or work colleagues. The phone call, card or offer of help might make all the difference.....Please be in touch with any member of the Ministry Team if you know of anyone in particular need.

Please remember the families and loved ones of those recently died
Ken Edmunds and Harold Turner, Barbara Thompson

May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory

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

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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