

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.



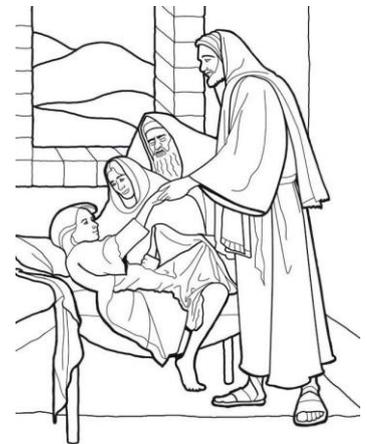
27th June 2021 4th Sunday after Trinity

Church Services Today 11.00am Holy Communion; Buxhall [Phone 737405]
6.00pm Holy Communion; Little Finborough
[Phone 774027/07708498364]

Welcome to the **Zoom service of Holy Communion**. You might like to light a candle. Following Orthodox tradition 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

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;
that with you as our ruler and guide
we may so pass through things temporal
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;
grant this, heavenly Father, for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,
who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**



Readings

The Epistle reading is taken from 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

^{8:7} Now as you excel in everything--in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you--so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

^{8:8} I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others.

^{8:9} For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.

^{8:10} And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something-- ^{8:11} now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means.

^{8:12} For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has--not according to what one does not have.

^{8:13} I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between

^{8:14} your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance.

^{8:15} As it is written, "The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

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

Holy Gospel is taken from Mark 5:21-43: Glory to you O Lord

^{5:21} When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea.

^{5:22} Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at

his feet ^{5:23} and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live."

^{5:24} So he went with him. And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him.

^{5:25} Now there was a woman who had been suffering from haemorrhages for twelve years.

^{5:26} She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse.

^{5:27} She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, ^{5:28} for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well."

^{5:29} Immediately her haemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease.

^{5:30} Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?"

^{5:31} And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?'"

^{5:32} He looked all around to see who had done it.

^{5:33} But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth.

^{5:34} He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

^{5:35} While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?"

^{5:36} But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe."

^{5:37} He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James.

^{5:38} When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly.

^{5:39} When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping."

^{5:40} And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was.

^{5:41} He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!"

^{5:42} And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement.

^{5:43} He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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

Intercessions

Jesus took the little girl by the hand and said to her "Little girl get up!"

Father God, you have caused into being a world of both wonder and great challenges and in your wisdom you have placed great responsibilities in our hands. Help us to know that we are not alone on life's journey and that through our experiences and knowledge of our Saviour Jesus Christ we can seek guidance and help even through the darkest of times.

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

We pray for the church in all its forms and traditions especially in those parts of the world where it faces open hostility and violence; we think of the Church in Pakistan and in Kagera Revd. Joas Jeremiah in Igarula Parish. Give courage and faith to its leaders and support all its members through whatever adversity they face. In our diocese we pray for Bishops Martin and Mike and the parish of Brandon; Sharron Coburn, Kath Palmer and Dennis Coburn who minister there.

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

We pray for peace in so many parts of our troubled world where ethnic, tribal and religious differences continue to fill our news headlines. We pray that those with influence and authority

will heed and promote the calls for tolerance, peace, justice and healing in these times of the Covid pandemic.

We pray for those who are faced with finding solutions to the problems of mass migration where people, fleeing poverty, war or persecution, take ever increasing risks to seek sanctuary in Europe. We remember that Jesus himself was taken as a refugee to Egypt and pray for the work of all engaged in humanitarian work amongst refugees in many parts of the world.

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

We pray for our own country and its peoples, for HM the Queen, her ministers and all who hold authority and power. Help the nation not to forget its Christian heritage of charity and service - for the good of all its peoples.

We pray for our young people who will be leaving the security of full time education and entering the varied world of employment. Help them to find fulfilment in their chosen careers as we remember those who still seek work of any kind.

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

As we have heard in the Gospel reading of Jesus' compassion for the sick so we pray for those in most need in our own families and neighbourhood. We remember those with illness and infirmity, the lonely, the housebound and those facing uncertain futures. We pray for all those in caring roles - that you bestow on them your gifts of patience, compassion and understanding. We pray now for those that we know who are in some special need at this time remembering those known to us. As we have named them in our hearts so let them feel your presence and friendship in their lives as we commit them to your loving care.

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

We also remember those who have been drawn to their eternal rest and are now in your safe keeping. We pray for those who mourn their passing and treasure memories of times past. Jesus Christ is the Light of the World, a light which no darkness can quench. We remember those who have died particularly Neville Manning. For you turn our darkness into light; in your light shall we see light. Be with those who mourn at this time.

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

A final prayer for ourselves : - Gracious God you are the hope of our journey and the light on our way. Be close to us as we seek to both witness and serve. And let the joy and delight in the gift of your love – shine from us to inspire hope in others.

Dear Lord, call to our churches a true Shepherd, a man or woman of God, a minister of Christ, and make us, with him or her, a church joyful in worship and united in witness, working, caring, praising, loving, to the glory of your Name, through Christ Our Lord.

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. 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 a 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 There is a red donate button.**

I am available together with Rev Alison and members of the Ministry Team for conversations with anyone of you. It is a worrying and most difficult time. We are considering how best to respond to the present situation and I know many of you are doing all you can, as always, to support those in need both financially and perhaps more importantly with your time. We are opening our churches very gradually for services subject to regulations and we continue to hold our service on Sundays at 9.30am on Zoom.

Canon Pauline

Safeguarding

This brief summary the training levels for safeguarding is a reminder to us all that we need to make sure that our training is up to date.

Basic – any person in church who holds a role, for example Welcomer, Flower Arranger, Cleaners, Choir members And many more

Foundation – All PCC members, Group helpers for example messy church helpers

C2 Leadership – Church Wardens, Elders, Group Leaders for example Choir leaders, Messy Church Leaders

This is only a brief summary so if you are unsure about what level of training you are required to complete please go to <https://www.cofesuffolk.org/for-parishes/promoting-a-safer-church/safeguarding-training/> for more details.

If you are unsure if your training is due for renewal, or have any other questions, please contact: lisa.hicks@live.co.uk Lisa is a volunteer trainer for our Benefice so will do her best to assist, or direct you to others who can.

Dates:

Tuesday 29th June 7.30pm Onehouse PCC venue TBC

Sunday 4th July 5th after Trinity 11.00am Holy Communion Combs [Phone615956]

6.00pm Holy Communion Shelland [Phone 01359 245013]

"Come to Forgiveness" a reflection by Alison and Andy: <https://youtu.be/6EmBK-07wMk>

Bible Study Group

We hold a Bible Study on Zoom every Wednesday at 4.00pm.

The link for joining the study group is

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84552090965?pwd=T25ER2VidUVmMjZkcWRRVjhzWk15dz09>

Meeting ID: 845 5209 0965 Passcode: 306147

We have started a new study in St Luke's Gospel and here is the link for the material

<https://d3hgrrlq6yacptf.cloudfront.net/5f214e41ab1e4/content/pages/documents/1591625743.pdf>

Wednesday and Saturday Morning Prayer on Zoom 10am

Here is the link

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84537834344?pwd=dmZRdXpkbXNpUk15aVNjdzMwdmg5dz09>

Meeting ID: 845 3783 4344

Passcode: 916836

Mondays at 4pm

On Zoom each week for anyone who wishes to join for an informal chat with a cup of tea and biscuit.

This is going well but would like some more members

Contact details from Canon Pauline or Lisa

All most welcome



**Please remember the family and loved ones of Neville Manning
who has died recently
May he Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory**

All events are subject to change according to regulation

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

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

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