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AND NEW YEAR
EVENTS

Winter Robin
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Thank you all for your contributions towards the last edition of The Link, it was great to see all that is happening across the circuit. In this edition we have lots of News from Churches and some creative contributions. So make a cup of tea and settle down for a good and informative read.

In Tony's words 'The Link is intended as information for ourselves, a means of praying through all that is happening, and something to give to visitors to our Churches.'

Please send any contributions for the next issue to the details listed here.

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Minister's Letter

Dear Friends,

As I start this letter, I am reflecting on everything that has happened over the last three months since I wrote to you. It was good to welcome Neil, Lynn and Alex into our Circuit with a lovely service at Swaffham on Thursday 4th September. Sadly Jonny has been very ill since the beginning of September and has been off on sick leave, his road to recovery is still a long one and I'm sure that you will join me in remembering him in our prayers and wishing him a speedy recovery.

It is important that I thank you for all your prayers for Karen and I while she has been ill. Thankfully she is now back home and is doing fine, but is completely dependent on the family and a stream of carers who are coming in throughout the day. We have been told that it could be several months before she can walk again even at the speed she was doing earlier in the year, so there is still quite a hill to climb.

As we set out on the new Church year in September I was full of enthusiasm to change the narrative of the Circuit from "we are predominantly elderly, with very little money and nobody to do the essential jobs" to a more missional approach of "what can we do and well and how can the circuit support the local churches when they need it". We have already started to take action and in the summer we decided to restructure the Circuit Leadership Team to give a focussed approach to

- Worship
- Learning and caring
- Service
- Evangelism

We also decided that as we have several vulnerable churches and whilst closure might be the right move in some places, there might be a more creative approach, so, we added a fifth prong - Missional development.

Of course we are not neglecting the vital work of admin, finance and property.

At the same time we are working with a connexional advisor to look at the possibilities with some of our buildings, so watch out for more on this. With the challenges we have faced during September and October progress has been much slower than anticipated, but we will plod on into the New year

Wishing you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

With love, Derek

Nature in Norfolk

I'm writing this as the weather turns autumnal and light levels are reduced. This drives the change in the colour of deciduous tree leaves, though some trees were stressed by earlier heat and drought and turned brown early. But this year we've had a bumper crop of fruit and berries for both us and wildlife to enjoy. Yesterday I saw the Dartmoor ponies on Holt Lowes browsing on sweet chestnuts, too interested in eating to move off the path. Heather still has some colour on our heathland which contrasts with the last of the summer flowering gorse. There is also a winter flowering gorse - hence the old saying 'when gorse is out of blossom kissing is out of fashion'.

I saw the first of this autumn's Pink Foot Geese in early September when they arrived from Iceland, Greenland and Spitzbergen where they breed. I didn't hear their call as they flew over Holt until three weeks later. They would have been flying inland looking for sugar beet fields, they eat the beet tops that are left after harvesting.

On October 1st I took a very slow bike ride from the woods on Selbrigg Road, High Kelling eventually reaching Kelling campsite and heath. I was looking for fungi and found several species as I explored paths that wandered here, there and round in circles. I took a lot of photos as you can see but there was only one, the Fly agaric, I could definitely identify. It is poisonous so don't touch it as you peer underneath looking for those elves that definitely make it their home! The golden rule is "Never eat fungi you cannot identify with certainty". Look and leave for others to enjoy.



Angela Mason
Holt Methodist Church

Swaffham's Day out in ... Australia!



On a very hot and sunny Tuesday (12 th August), twenty-four intrepid day-trippers gathered in Swaffham Methodist Church for 'A Day Out in Australia' – at home!

The day began relatively quietly with a slide show of Australia (wildlife, landmarks and Aboriginal Australian artwork), quizzes, crosswords, wordsearches, a jigsaw and chat, accompanied by tea, coffee and biscuits.

Things then 'hotted up' a bit with some Australian-themed activities, including our very unique versions of beach volleyball and mining for gold, a marble run at Uluru/Ayers Rock, the heats of Emu Race Across Australia', parachute games, a memory game, and a 'left-right' story game.

After a well-earned packed lunch, the much-anticipated final of 'Emu Race Across Australia' was held, followed by a short film about Australia (while eating ice creams!) The answers to the morning quizzes were given, the results of the activities announced, and prizes were duly awarded. Everyone received a small koala bear to take home too!

The day finished with more tea and coffee – and cake, of course!

Everyone who came (whether organisers, helpers or 'day-trippers') said they had had a very enjoyable day, and all went home happy – hot and weary perhaps but happy!

Did someone ask where are we going next year?!





Lectionary Readings & Weekly Hymns

If you need the Lectionary Readings or Weekly Hymns, use the link below, scroll down and choose the date on the calendar that you want to look at - it will then show you hymns under one tab, and prayers under another:

www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/resources



THE HIVE
CREATIVITY ~ SPIRITUALITY ~ WELL-BEING

'Pops Up' at Blakeney



For almost a year, The Hive has been taking its creativity, spirituality and well-being sessions to Blakeney Methodist Church where a fellowship of 15 to 20 people has gathered on a monthly basis to chat, explore, discover and share in The Hive's now well-established style.



Starting in December 2024 with a re-telling of the Christmas Story, and mirroring the very first event at The Hive in Great Cressingham in December 2020, the church soon filled with the remaining members of the congregation, local people and seasonal visitors. Rev. Jonny welcomed and shared a Christmas-tide thought and carols were sung to musical accompaniment provided by Sarah and Geraldine.

From conversations during the refreshments that followed, it was clear that a monthly event at Blakeney Methodist Church would be warmly welcomed and so the programme was set in train.

Running The Hive 'Pop-ups' at Blakeney meant a considerable commitment from The Hive team – Sarah, Geraldine, David and Susan – beginning with an energetic tidying of the front garden which had been laid out by Sam and Angela in the days when the Blakeney café flourished. It also involved ferrying a fair bit of equipment from Great Cressingham to Blakeney and back again for each monthly event. Early arrival to open up, clean up, heat up, boil up was also an essential part of the process!

The programme drew on the resources of previous gatherings at The Hive in Great Cressingham and gave the Blakeney fellowship plenty of opportunity to enjoy a range of presentations and activities, all with the core purposes of creativity, spirituality and well-being in mind. The extra session in May meant that the students from Cliff College who were on placement at The Hive, could bring to life their faith-based thoughts, ideas and messages. Having already learnt from sessions at Great Cressingham, Korben and Evie made their contributions in The Hive way by encouraging participation and using poetry, music and art as pathways to spiritual engagement.

Memorable occasions were David's presentation on Climate Change, Rev. Jonny's Let's Talk About It session on Neurodiversity, Geraldine and Sarah's performance of Music for Body, Mind and Soul and the Open Play-reading of The Wind in the Willows, which revealed some unexpected readers who brought Ratty, Mole, Badger and of course, Mr Toad, animatedly to life!



It was a bitter-sweet conclusion to the 10 visits we made to Blakeney with The Hive Pop-up but we are more than happy to have been able to extend the spiritual life of the Church and to maintain a continuing Methodist presence in this beautiful North Norfolk village.

The question remains as to what may now become of the church and its heritage. The Repurposing Group of the Circuit Leadership Team is working hard to discern a future for Blakeney Methodist Church and asks for your thoughts and prayers.

I know those who were part of the Blakeney pop-up fellowship would want to thank the team from The Hive, together with Jonny and Seb Bell for a brief but rather beautiful episode in the life of Blakeney Methodist Church and it is good to be able to have this on record in The Link.

Sarah Rodgers



Helhoughton Monthly Charity Coffee Mornings

We are very pleased to report the totals raised for our July – October events:

- Crisis UK - £80
- DEC Myanmar Earthquake Appeal - £113
- Fakenham Salvation Army - £80
- Refuge, supporting females subjected to domestic violence - £105

Please note we will have supported QE Hospital to provide pillows for patients in November and our **Save the Children** fundraiser will now be a festive event held on **Saturday 6th Dec.**

Our other upcoming Coffee Mornings are in aid of:

- **Blossoms Childcare Day Nursery West Raynham on Tuesday 20th January**
- **Prostate Cancer UK on Tuesday 24th February**

All are welcome **10 – 12 in Helhoughton Village Church Hall on The Street.** Come and enjoy a hot drink and a homemade bake in a warm and friendly atmosphere! Donations welcome.

We are very appreciative of all the support we receive each month.

We also act as a collection point for items for the **Mid Norfolk Foodbank**; food, toiletries and cleaning products.

*Elizabeth Lodge,
Tittleshall Methodist Chapel*

Walsingham Methodist Church

JOIN US AT OUR

Crib FESTIVAL

DECEMBER 5TH - 14TH

11am-3pm Monday to Friday

11am-2pm Sat 6th and Sun 7th

Over 80 Crib



All Welcome

Sunday 14th, 2pm Carol Service 4.30pm
Refreshments after

High Street, Little Walsingham, Norfolk

Photo Competition

Thank you for all the wonderful contributions for this issue's front cover. They were all great and it was hard to choose just one - so I've included them all below!

Please do send over any submissions of artwork or photographs for the next issue.

Anything spring themed would be appreciated. We'll pick one for the next issue, crediting the artist or photographer.

Email submissions to cnc.thelink@gmail.com or call 07538281707 for postal address.



The background of the entire page is a stylized illustration. On the left, a dark silhouette of a man, Zacchaeus, is shown climbing a large, gnarled tree. He is wearing a hat and a long tunic. The tree's branches and leaves are rendered in shades of orange and yellow, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. In the background, there are faint silhouettes of other people and a building, also in warm tones. The overall style is graphic and artistic.

Zacchaeus

by Andrew Fielding

Climbing the tree
high above the heads
you see me.

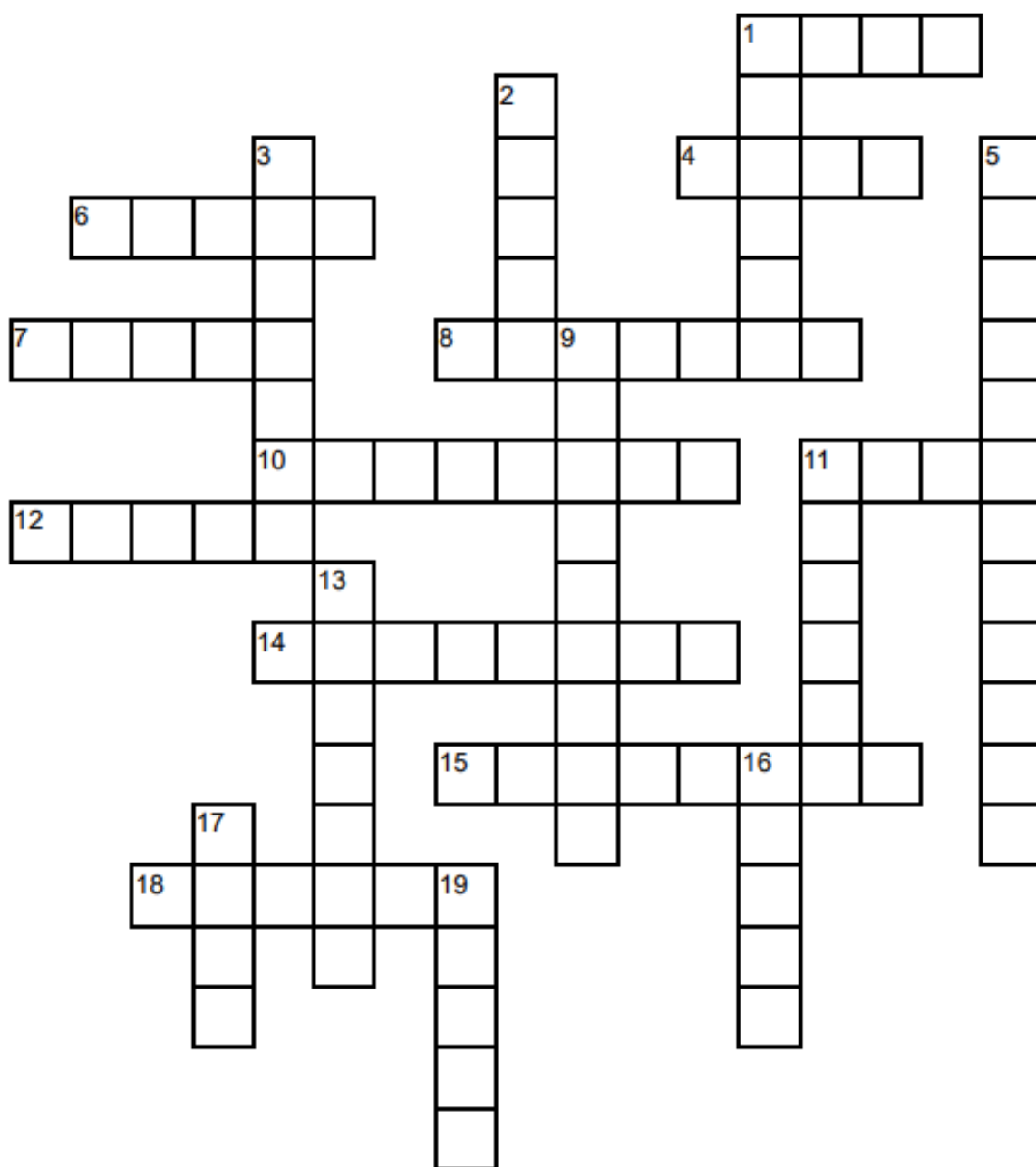
I, passing through
do not pass by,
and I call you down,
dark crossed boughs
no quarter for you.

I follow
into your home,
a sinful house they say.
Here we dine.

True to your name
you come clean,
vowing to return
fourfold your debt.
Well, it is a start.

I shall climb a tree,
forgive every debt
and return lost souls to God.

Christmas Conundrum by Ted!



Across

- 1 Appeared in the East Archipelagos?
- 4 Girl who took care of two types of lamb
- 6 Holy visitor emerges from evangelist
- 7 Parisian I suspect shortly of being the Messiah
- 8 Good news bringer for shepherds after reversed delay eating cheese!
- 10 After summer month we discovered this Roman Emperor
- 11 Somewhat Magical men from the east
- 12 Short rhyme with end of jar mixed to produce anointing oil
- 14 Ran the alphabet, upset for Joseph and Mary's starting point
- 15 Manager of group of animals behind Blue Peter dog?
- 18 Carpenter from short Napoleonic wife?

Down

- 1 Arrange a blest place for child birth
- 2 Hey! Beatles classic with musical key for this Holy Land
- 3 Is shame changed by promised saviour?
- 5 True perfume is a wise gift
- 9 The French fringe followed girl to this town
- 11 German made bed for infant?
- 13 Chemical element and flower of purity reportedly found in this region
- 16 For example unknown personal trainer escapes here?
- 17 Sounded like he scored with this precious metal
- 19 Tyrannical male staff

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News from Churches

Garvestone

Our “low-level” activities at Garvestone continue, although maybe in common with some other small fellowships we are able to make some significant local witness for our Lord, and unlike our very few Anglican fellow-Christians here, we don’t have a huge medieval building to maintain.

Our Sunday services, almost every Sunday, will begin at 3pm until the end of March, and thereafter at 6pm - unless we decide differently! When we aren’t given a visiting preacher, we use the “vine” services - which, with a bit of tweaking, are usually very acceptable. We are told, and we ourselves, feel that the presence of the Holy Spirit can be felt in our times of worship.

In our Bible Study meetings, although sometimes more argumentative than we ought to be, we do try to search for God’s truth, and to apply it to our daily lives, as also in our monthly prayer meetings; (but why do some friends seem afraid of public prayer?)

So, passers-by in Garvestone can see that that our chapel is in use, and perhaps look at the poster on the noticeboard, and maybe wonder why we bother. Do we? I hope not!

Hingham

Hingham Methodists have joined with the Parish Church of St. Andrew's in providing a warm space & a soup lunch. The ladies of St. Andrew's asked if we could join up, as our church was the warmer space! The first Ecumenical Soup Lunch was held on 19th November. These are planned to continue once a month throughout the winter months - November to March.

New Holkham

New Holkham will be holding their Carol Service on Sunday 14th December at 2.30. All welcome. As our church is in Holkham Park if you would like to come please ring 01328878383 for details of access to the church.

We will not be having a service on December 28th but January and February will be on the usual last Sunday of the month.

Litcham

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever. 1 Chronicles 16:34

Wow, what a verse! I have decided over the years that we, as humans, are programmed to mostly look at the negatives that are before us. How about we turn that around and look at the positives?

Why should we be negative when we have God on our side?

There is a lot of truth from the saying that “every cloud has a silver lining”.

When we are going through a tough time in our lives, we can either get bitter or learn important lessons that we can share with others. It is so helpful if you can genuinely say to someone that you understand what they are going through.

Many people in my own congregation have been through difficult times over the last couple of years but they will all say that God was with them through it all.

In Romans 8 we read: **If God is for us, who can be against us?**

Why do I write this? I write this because we are all going through difficult times at the moment, whether financially, emotionally or physically. Remember, you can reach out to your local church and meet a smiling and welcoming face BUT reach out to God and he will carry you through.

At the time of writing, autumn is very much in the air and the weather is changing. I am loving watching the leaves start to change colour and the opportunity to huddle around a roaring fire is getting closer.

We have unfortunately had to cancel many of our planned events this year but it has given us all time to sit and rest and get ready for the rest of the year. We are all looking forward to our carols, coffee and cake event taking place on Sunday 14th December.

Wells

This summer has been especially busy in Wells but things are quietening down now. The weather was good during Carnival week and our Carnival Songs of Praise was a very joyous occasion and well-supported.

A joint service was held at the Parish Church to say “Farewell” to Revd. Brenda Stewart, who is retiring from full-time ministry and moving back to Scotland. She has been very active during her nearly-eight years in Wells, very supportive of the Christian community within the town and surrounding area and will be much missed by us all.

Looking ahead to Christmas, we are planning to hold our Carol service on Sunday 21 December and on Christmas Day our family service will be at 9.30am.

In the New Year, the joint service during the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will be held at the Methodist Church on Sunday 25 January at 3pm.

Mattishall

Our Harvest Festival this year was led by Pippa Cook who also kindly accompanied us on the organ as we sang our favourite Harvest hymns. We had a table filled with goods donated by members and friends which were taken to the local Foodbank. Afterwards fellowship continued over a cuppa and cake. (photo attached)

This autumn the joint Bible Study with Garvestone has focused on Hosea.

In December we hope to join with Anglicans at Welborne Church for the annual visit of the Dereham Salvation Army Band for their Christmas Service.

We are planning to host the World Day of Prayer service on 6th March 2026 at 2pm prepared by women from Nigeria.

As the Waste Paper Bin in the chapel yard is to be removed we would like to thank all who have contributed to it over the years as this has been a valuable source of income for our funds which will be missed.

Saham Hills

I don't know if anyone remembers my piece last winter about putting the grease bands on my small fruit trees and the timely visit from our resident robin. I gave up on the plum tree in the spring and changed it for an elderberry in the hope of some elderberry cordial, all the pear trees blossomed as usual in the spring but this year all three carried young pears which resulted in a bumper crop from each tree in September. The robin is still a daily visitor and delivered a new generation this summer, I always leave some extra seed near to their nesting shrub each day and I will certainly replace the grease bands this winter. Whilst doing so I will say a prayer of thanks to God for all the enjoyment of nature he has given us.

Dot McIlroy

Holt

We enjoyed hosting the circuit for Seb Bell's Accreditation service.

What a joy to celebrate together Seb's ministry as a local preacher.



Tittleshall

A wonderful £505 was raised at the September Macmillan Coffee Morning, exceeding all previous totals. It is very heartening that people can be so generous in these continuing financially challenging times.

Watton

Buns & Bikers for August Bank Holiday

We enjoyed feeding the Bikers who gathered for their festival in Watton on the August Bank Holiday. The high street was full of prestige motorbikes and bikers who had travelled quite long distances to gather together in Watton for the day. As we are right in the centre of the high street we offered them lunch. Busy preparations had been undergone to provide them with delicious filled rolls, homemade cakes, chocolate and crisp snacks and tea or coffee of course.

We decided to hold this event in aid of Meningitis Research as well as our own Church funds. Our Methodist Centre is the ideal place for them to meet and chat over lunch. We were extremely pleased that some members of the other Churches in the town came to help us serve on the day. They were all so grateful for our efforts having come from all over Suffolk & Norfolk and beyond. The event raised nearly £270. At the end of the day they all disappeared and the high street was empty again.

Niki De Saint Phalle Puppets at Tuesday's@2



On the 9th of September our Autumn term commenced with a fun puppet of Niki De Saint Phalle a famous flamboyant French sculptor, artist, filmmaker and author of colourful hand illustrated books.

We had fun cutting out our colourful Niki and assembling her with her jaunty hat and carefully designed green gloves and blue stocking legs adorned with smart red shoes. Once finished she was placed in a smart wooden stand so that we could take her home to admire. Then we enjoyed our afternoon tea.

We have other afternoons of fun planned, a Liquorice Allsorts Bookmark & Flower Quiz in October, a Christmas Tree Decoration for November and a visit from a local choir for an afternoon of Christmas Carol singing and seasonal refreshments in December.

Sculthorpe & Fakenham

We had a very successful coffee morning on 6th Sept , with more people than ever attending.

We also enjoyed a lovely harvest festival on 21st September and collected donations for the foodbank. We sent 48.1 kilos of packets and tins, including some tins of dog/cat food.

Our next coffee morning is on the 6th December, 10-12noon in the village hall. All welcome.

Thank you for your continued support for our events and thank you to Richard Brunton for these photographs.



Stibbard

On September 12th, the day of the Churches' Cycle Ride, Radio enthusiasts around the country gathered in churches, or church grounds to link up with others for Churches on the Air. Stibbard played host to King's Lynn Amateur Radio Club, who set up their aerial and radio equipment in the grounds. They were able to make contact with other clubs and individuals and, although it poured with rain in other parts of the circuit, there were only spits and spots until it was all packed up. The club say that Stibbard is one of their favourite places, but I think that is because they enjoy a good lunch!



News from Walsingham



On the 30th August 'Wells' Catholic congregation organised an ecumenical pilgrimage as part of their year of Jubilee. An initiative set up by the late Pope Francis to celebrate this year as a jubilee. A request to use Walsingham Methodist as one of the stopping places. The idea was to walk from Wells to Walsingham stopping 21 times to read a chapter of St John's Gospel at each place.

The invitation was also for anyone to join in the walk and in a fit of enthusiasm I agreed to walk. By car it is not far, but schedule in all the churches in Wells, the town cemetery, the Quaker and Congregational burial areas then the country paths to Wighton, the miles start to stack up. On the way to Wighton we stopped several times looking out at the fields and the landscape. Apart from the odd bike rider the main sound was the birds.

A bit self-conscious at first a rhythm soon established with volunteers reading a different chapter. We stopped at Wighton cemetery, avoided with difficulty water across the track and then into the outskirts of Wighton and up the slope to the imposing Parish Church. Inside there is a model of the Church which was originally in Wighton Methodist (commissioned by a past member) when it was open as a Chapel before closing and becoming the Heritage Centre.



Here there was an opportunity to sit and listen before moving onwards to the main village. A stop here for lunch and quite a few made use of a fellow walker's garden with chairs and other facilities including hot drinks. The others who had stopped in the village for refreshments were encouraged to walk up the hill and join us in the garden and to read another chapter of the gospel before setting off again for Walsingham. At this point others joined us and we were a good friendly crowd journeying onto Walsingham. One person who walked with us was Cynthia a former member of Wighton Methodist and she walked a mile or so with us before returning back home.



The sounds of music and laughter could be heard from Walsingham where the annual Rock on the rec fundraising was taking place in aid of the village hall rebuilding fund. As we reached Walsingham itself we stopped at the Catholic Sisters House, into the Anglican Shrine grounds, and then on to Gt Walsingham to the Orthodox Church (a former Methodist Chapel). Here we paused to read another chapter and then received a blessing from the Orthodox Priest. Onwards to St Peters Anglican crossing the ford by the footpath bridge, then round to St Mary's Anglican and then chapter number 20 inside Walsingham Methodist. What a privilege to read again to my new friends. They loved the chapel many had not been inside before.

And finally on to the area outside the Chapel of the Annunciation in Friday Market Place. We started at Wells Methodist at 10am and finished at 6pm 10 miles in total with around a 45minute break for lunch.

It was a great day and it was wonderful to share with people of different denominations.



Aileen Fox



Dates Around the Circuit

Beetley

Services: 10.30am on the 2nd & 4th Sundays
6pm on the 1st & 3rd Sundays

Big Sunday: 10.30am on 1st March

Drop-In: 2 - 3pm. 3rd & 17th December, 7th & 21st January, 4th & 18th February

Knit 'n' Natter: 2 - 3pm. 28th January and 25th February

Coffee Mornings: 9.30 - 11.30am. 24th January (25% to St.Martin's Housing Trust)

Dereham Trinity

Services: Every Sunday at 10.45 am

Carol Service: 21st December at 10.45am, led by Rev Derek Grimshaw

Mid Week Communion: 10.30 am. 4th December, 8th January, 5th February
(Contact Jacky Woor 01362 697860)

Lunch Club: 12 noon. 11th December, 8th January, 12th February
(Contact Katharine Smith 01362 691225)

Coffee Mornings: 10 -11.30 am. 18th December, 15th January, 19th February
(Contact Jacky 01362 697860)

Cards & Chatter: 10-12 noon. 26th February. No meetings in December or January.
(Contact Sylvia Meredith 01362 693425)

Women's Own at 2.15 pm. 2nd, 9th & 16th December. No meetings in January or February. (Contact Olwyn Brough 01362 692799)

Coffee Morning: 10-12 noon. 30th January
at the home of Sylvia and Richard Meredith (Contact 01362 693425)

World Day of Prayer: 6th March 2026 at 2pm

Fulmodeston

Services : 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month at 2.30pm.

Carol Service: 21st December at 2.30pm, led by Rev Jonny Bell

Garvestone

Services: 3pm

Carol Service: Sunday 21st December at 3pm

Gressenhall

Services: 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month at 2.30pm followed by refreshments

Carol Service: 2.30pm on 21st December, led by members of the congregation

Hingham

Services: Every Sunday at 10.30am

Coffee Shop with stalls: 10am - 12noon. 6th December, 10th January, 7th February

Ecumenical Soup Lunches: 12noon - 2pm. 17th Dec, 21st Jan, 18th Feb, 11th March

Carol Service: Sunday 14th December at 10.30am

Holt

Services: Every Sunday at 11am

Friday Prayer Time: 9.30am on Fridays

Afternoon Teas: 2 - 4pm. 16th January & 20th February

Holt Choir Practice: 4pm. 12th December, 9th & 23rd January, 6th & 19th February

Christmas Cream Tea: 2 - 4pm. Friday 19th December

Christmas Carol Singalong: 5-6pm Friday 19th December

All Age Carol Service: 11am. Sunday 21st December

Christmas Day Service: 11am

Litcham

Services: Every Sunday at 10.30am

Carols, Coffee & Cake: Sunday 14th December

Coffee Mornings: Every Thursday 10.30am - 12noon

Bible Study: 3rd Fridays at 10am

Mattishall

Services: Every Sunday at 2.30pm

Weekly Bible Study: Thursdays at 2pm. Alternating with Garvestone Methodist Church (Contact Fred on 01362 850750 for venue)

New Holkham

Services: Last Sunday of the month at 2.30pm (Not December)

Carol Service: Sunday 14th December at 2.30pm. All welcome.
(Please ring 01328878383 to get details of access to the church)

Saham Hills

Services: Every 1st & 3rd Sunday at 10.30am

Traditional Carol Service: 14th December at 2pm. All welcome.

Other Arrangement Service: 28th December 10.30am

4th December 2026 Service at 10.30am to welcome the New Year.

Sculthorpe & Fakenham

Services: Every Sunday at 11am

Coffee Morning: 6th December, 10am-12noon in the Village Hall

Carol Service: 14th December for Action for Children

Stibbard

Services: Last Sunday of the month at 11am

Lunch @ The Centre: 12.30 p.m (Wednesdays) 10th Dec, 14th Jan, 11th Feb

Choir Practice: 7.30 p.m. (Fridays) 9th & 23rd January, 6th & 20th February

Quiz Night @ The Centre: 7 for 7.30 p.m. Friday 27th February

Railway Film Afternoons: 2.30pm (Saturdays) 6th December, 3rd January, 7th February

Proverbial Prattle: (Wednesdays) 28th January, 25th February

Swaffham

Services: Every Sunday at 10.45am followed by refreshments

Cafe Candle-Lit Carols: 17th December at 6.30pm

Christmas Day Service: 9.30am

Covenant Service with Holy Communion: 11th January at 10.45am

Coffee Morning & Christmas Fayre: 6th December 9.30am - 12noon

The Meeting Place Drop-In: 10am - 12noon. Every Tuesday

Free refreshments. Warm welcome for everyone.

2nd, 16th, 23rd December. 13th, 20th, 27th January. 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th February

Power of Prayer Group: 9.30am. Fridays. (Contact 07468518084 for venue)

5th, 12th, 19th December. 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th January.

Swaffham Friendship Group: 2.30pm. (Usually 2nd & 4th Thursdays)

22nd January, 12th & 26th February

Tittleshall

Services: Most Sundays at 9.30am. Occasional Joint Services at Litcham.

Coffee Mornings: 10.30am - 12noon. Every Wednesday

Carol Service: 9.30am. 14th December

Toftwood

Services: Every Sunday at 11am (Bring & Share Lunch on 1st Sunday in month)

Carol Service: 14th December at 11am

Christingle Service: 14th December at 4pm

Christmas Day Service: 9.30am

Weekly Lace Group: 9.30 - 12noon. Every Monday

Carpet Bowls: 1.45 - 4pm. Every Thursday

Coffee Shop & Stalls: 10am - 12noon. 1st Saturday of the month.

Soup & Pancakes: Shrove Tuesday. 17th February. 11am - 1pm

Walsingham

Services: 2nd Sunday of the month 4.30pm followed by a meal. All Welcome.
14th December, 11th January, 8th February

Crib Festival: 5th December - 14th December
Monday to Friday 11am - 3pm. Sat 6th & Sun 7th 11am - 2pm, Sun 14th - 2pm

Watton

Services: Every Sunday at 10.30am (mostly live-streamed)
Evening Services: 2nd, 4th & 5th Sundays at 6.30pm

Carol Service: 21st December at 10.30am

Coffee Mornings: 9.30am - 11.30am. Every Wednesday in the Methodist Centre.
Delicious refreshments and a friendly welcome to all. **(Not in January)**

Tuesdays at Two: 2pm. 9th Dec & 10th Feb in the Methodist Centre. **(Not in January)**
All are welcome to a variety of activities. Suitable for all abilities with refreshments.

Wells

Services: Every Sunday at 11am

Carol Service: 21st December

Christmas Day Service: 9.30am

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Joint Service: 25th January at 3pm
(Being held at the Methodist Church)

Wendling

Due to illness, all Services, Coffee Mornings etc. have been suspended for the next Quarter.

CHRISTMAS CONUNDRUM ANSWERS

Across: 1. STAR, 4. MARY, 6. ANGEL, 7. JESUS, 8. GABRIEL, 10. AUGUSTUS,
11. MAGI, 12. MYRRH, 14. NAZARETH, 15. SHEPHERD, 18. JOSEPH

Down: 1. STABLE, 2. JUDEA, 3. MESSIAH, 5. FRANKINCENSE, 9. BETHLEHEM,
11. MANGER, 13. GALILEE, 16. EGYPT, 17. GOLD, 19. HEROD

Regular Dates

Day 	 Activity	 Location	 Time
Monday	Weekly Lace Group	Toftwood MC	9.30am - 12noon
	Community Lunch	Wells	12 noon
Tuesday	The Meeting Place Drop-In	Swaffham MC	10 - 12noon
	Women's Own	Dereham Trinity MC	2.15pm
Wednesday	Coffee Shop	Watton Centre	9.30am
	Coffee Morning	Tittleshall MC	10.30am - 12 noon
	Prayer & Praise	Wells	10.30am
Thursday	Coffee Morning	Litcham MC	10.30am - 12 noon
	Carpet Bowls	Toftwood MC	1.45 - 4pm
	Ecumenical Bible Study & Discussion Group	Garvestone /Mattishall MC	2pm
Friday	Prayer Time	Holt MC	9.30am
	Power of Prayer Group	Swaffham	9.30am

**If you have a prayer request, please contact Glyn Constantine
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