

AMELCOTE BENEFICE



The Messenger June, July, August 2018

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The deadline for the September-October Messenger is Monday 20 August.

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A Note from the Rectory

It is now three months since I came to live here in Pattishall, for me the joy of being here is still vibrant, and I am delighted each morning thinking about the list of things I have planned to do, and by even more so by the end of the day, considering those unexpected treats and encounters which have come my way.

There is a verse in St Paul's letter to the Philippians which says "give thanks in all circumstances" which never ceases to make me consider "How often do I give thanks, well usually when things are going well, less often when I am not really enjoying the circumstances I find myself in?"

So what is genuine thankfulness? Paul is speaking of a freedom from worry and frustration about everything in life—even unfulfilled desires.

I was particularly reminded of this verse quite recently. Friday morning is a special time for me as I meet with a friend to chat and walk around Pitsford Reservoir. This particular Friday was no exception, we met as usual on the causeway and set out in fine dry weather, and managed to reach the cafe (our half way stop, for refreshment and more chat!) completely dry, and ready for a cup of tea, before completing our walk.

However, during our short break the rain began to fall gently at first and then to our dismay became much heavier. We sat discussing the possibility that it would stop before we left or at least ease up. Sitting close by was a family of four, consisting of grandparents and their grandchildren who had been quietly enjoying their refreshments, gradually they became more and more animated as the rain became heavier. The children became so excited they just couldn't wait for their grandparents to finish their drinks, so they could get outside. Listening and watching them get into their brightly coloured mackintoshes, and wearing fluorescent wellington boots, made us both smile and realise just how different we were. For them the rain was exciting, for us it had become an annoyance. Eventually, as we left the shelter of the cafe to continue our walk, in the rain, not really relishing the idea of getting really wet, our attention was caught by the children who were by now jumping in and out of newly formed puddles, catching rain water in upturned umbrellas, and having a wonderful time, as their grandparents joined in the fun and laughter.

What was it Jesus said? "Unless you become like little children you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." No wonder Paul encourages us in his letter to

give thanks – no matter what the circumstances. Watching the happy family of four, made me reconsider these words, and want to join in their fun.

Whether you are spending this summer at home or going away, I pray you will have fun, no matter if the sun shines or there is rain. Perhaps you might remember St Paul’s advice to give thanks in all circumstances. Yours in Christ,

Reverend Karen

From the Registers

Funerals	Pattishall	6 April	Edna Chick
	Gayton	16 April	John Edgar Paul Ratlidge
	Pattishall	8 May	Martyn Alan Harper
Cremation	Gayton	9 May	Keith Palmer

Readings for June, July, August 2018

3 June	2 Corinthians 4:5-12	Mark 2:23-3:6
10 June	2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1	Mark 2:23-3:6
17 June	2 Corinthians 5:6-10, 14-17	Mark 4:26:34
24 June	Acts 13:14-26	Luke 1:57-66,80
1 July	2 Corinthians 8:7-end	Mark 5:21-end
8 July	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	Mark 6:1-13
15 July	Ephesians 1:3-14	Mark 6:14-29
22 July (Mary Magdalene)	2 Corinthians 5:14-17	John 20:1-2,11-18
29 July	Ephesians 3:14-end	John 6:1-21
5 August	Ephesians 4:1-16	John 6:24-35
12 August	Ephesians 4:25-5:2	John 6:35,41-51
19 August	Ephesians 5:15-20	John 6:51-58
26 August	Ephesians 6:10-20	John 6:56-69

Thank you to the children from Pattishall CE Primary School for setting up prayer stations at Holy Cross which supported our devotions between Ascension and Pentecost.

The Amelcote Group of Parishes: Pattishall, Cold Higham, Gayton and Tiffield

Date	Time	Service	Church
Sun 27 May Trinity Sunday	9.30am	CW Family Communion	Pattishall
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Cold Higham
Wed 30 May	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 3 June	9.30am	CW Family Communion	Gayton
	11.00am	Family Service	Pattishall
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Tiffield
Wed 6 June	9.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 10 June	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Cold Higham
	11.00am	Family Service	Tiffield
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Pattishall
Wed 13 June	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 17 June	9.30am	CW Family Communion	Tiffield
	11.00am	Family Service	Gayton
	11.00am	Family Service	Cold Higham
Wed 20 June	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sunday 24 June	9.30am	CW Family Communion	Pattishall
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Cold Higham
Wed 28 June	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sat 30 June	9.00am	Prayer Breakfast	The Rectory
Sunday 1 July	9.30am	CW Family Communion	Gayton
	11.00am	Family Service	Pattishall
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Tiffield
Wed 4 July	9.30am	BCP Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sun 8 July	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Cold Higham
	11.00am	Family Service	Tiffield
	11.00am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Wed 11 July	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall

Services for June, July and August 2018

Date	Time	Service	Church
Sun 15 July	9.30am	CW Family Communion	Tiffield
	4.30pm	Songs of Praise + Tea & Cake	Gayton
	11.00am	Family Service	Cold Higham
Wed 18 July	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sun 22 July	9.30am	CW Family Communion	Pattishall
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Cold Higham
Wed 25 July	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sun 29 July	10.00am	Benefice CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Wed 1 August	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sun 5 August	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Gayton
	11.00am	Family Service	Pattishall
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Tiffield
Wed 8 August	9.30am	BCP Communion	Pattishall
Sun 12 August	9.30am	CW Family Communion	Cold Higham
	11.00am	Family Service	Tiffield
	11.00am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Wed 15 August	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sun 19 August	9.30am	CW Family Communion	Tiffield
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Gayton
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Cold Higham
	6.30pm	Evensong	Pattishall
Wed 22 August	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
Sun 26 August	9.30am	CW Holy Communion	Pattishall
	11.00am	Morning Worship	Cold Higham



Celebrate Summer!



<p>GAYTON OPEN GARDENS Sunday 10th June 1.00 - 5.00 pm Gardens, Homemade teas, Plant Sales, Stalls etc...</p>	<p>AFTERNOON TEAS AT HOLY CROSS First Sunday of the month from May through September Donations welcome - all proceeds support the church</p>
<p>BARBECUE IN THE RECTORY GARDEN Saturday 4 August from 12 noon Salads and desserts to be provided; please bring your own mains & drinks Tickets from church wardens</p>	<p>SYNCOPATED JAZZ RETURNS TO HOLY CROSS Sunday 2 September 2.30-4.30pm GREAT music + tea, cakes and a bar Tickets £10 from social committee</p>

**Reflections on the Bishop's Bible Day 2018
21 April at Northampton High School**

Bishop Donald focused on St Paul, describing him as the greatest theologian of all time – albeit controversial in his ways and sometimes difficult to understand. The first talk looked at Galatians (which has influenced, amongst others, Martin Luther King), and the second at Romans.

Overall an interesting and stimulating day, which reminded us that the teachings of St Paul form the basis of Christianity today. We had a choice of workshops in the morning and afternoon, and a short service to close the day. This is an annual event and all are welcome. - Jean Pugh

**NEW! Weekly Bible Study Course
Mondays 18 June-23 July 2.00-4.00pm at Holmview**

This new course, led by Jean Pugh, will follow the Church of England Pilgrim series, 'A Course for the Christian Journey'. The first six sessions will be on the theme, 'Turning to Christ'. If you are interested in these sessions, please contact Jean Pugh pughjean@btinternet.com.

Thank you from 10 Booth Close

This morning I woke up with the hymn 'Come down O love Divine' on my mind – and 'love divine' was my experience on Sunday April 8th at Pattishall church. I had intended to celebrate at the Eucharist nearest to my 80th birthday with the congregation, a few friends and our family. In the event we had a huge amount of love divine, a stirring sermon from Rev. Karen, and a lovely party with food, cake and presents after the service.

Thank you so much to all those who took so much attention over this and to everyone for the wonderful gifts of garden centre vouchers and some money. I was overwhelmed! May you all be very blessed; I was. -Hugh Kent

Congratulations and many happy returns to Mrs Connie Kirton who recently celebrated her 106th birthday!



Quarter Peal Rung for the Royal Wedding

Saturday, 19 May 2018 in 46 mins

1260 Grandsire Doubles

Rung to celebrate the marriage of H.R.H. Prince Henry of Wales and Ms Meghan Markle, now the Duke and Duchess of Sussex, at Holy Cross, Pattishall

- 1 Jill Faiers
- 2 Margaret J Bulleid
- 3 Hilary Aslett
- 4 Alan Faiers
- 5 Christopher E Bulleid (C)
- 6 Nicola S Boyd
- 6) First tenor behind

Dates for Your Diary

Mon 28 May	11-5.30pm	Tiffield Open Gardens
Thu 31 May	12-2pm	The Well Group meets at Astcote Chapel
Sun 6 June	3-5.00pm	Afternoon teas at Holy Cross
	10am-4pm	Quiet Day at Holy Cross for Mothers Union. Led by Canon Káren, and Sue Tringham.
Sun 10 June	1-5.00pm	Gayton Open Gardens
Mon 18 June	2-4.00pm	Weekly Bible Study Course at Holmview (6 wks)
Thu 28 June	12-2pm	The Well women's lunch group at Astcote Chapel. RSVP Alison Brierley 07794 742 286 or Ann Atkin 01327 830 907
Sat 30 June	9am	Prayer Breakfast at the Rectory
Sun 1 July	3-5.00pm	Afternoon teas at Holy Cross
Sat 14 July	Evening	Safari Supper in Tiffield – details Mike Dean
Sun 15 July	4.30pm	Songs of Praise at Gayton with tea & cake
Sat / Sun 21-22 July	10.30-4.30pm	Annual Art Exhibition & refreshments at St Luke's Church Cold Higham
Sat 28 July	8.30am	Prayer Breakfast at Holmview
Sat 4 August	12 noon	Summer barbecue in the Rectory garden
Sun 5 August	3-5.00pm	Afternoon teas at Holy Cross
Mon 20 Aug	All Day	Messenger deadline (see front cover)
Sat 25 Aug	8.30am	Prayer Breakfast at Holmview
Sun 2 Sept	2.30-4.30	Syncopated Jazz at Holy Cross – tea & bar
Sat 8 Sept	All day	Annual Ride & Stride
Sat 10 Nov	7 for 7.30pm	Quiz and supper at Pattishall Village Hall
Sat 9 Feb	From 9.00am	SAVE THE DATE for Bring & Sing Messiah at Holy Cross! Details to follow.