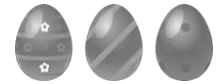


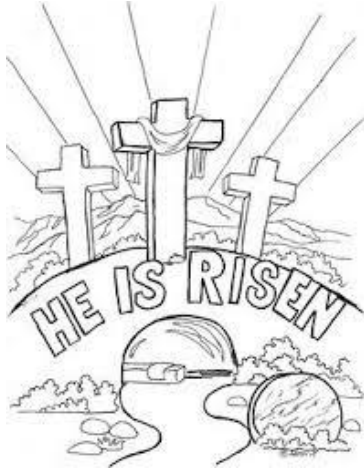
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The Carlford Benefice  
April 2017**



*Happy Easter*



**Discovering the Big Picture**



When my kids were teenagers one of the most valuable things I ever bought was a video recorder. (You can probably see them in museums today!) This meant that whenever they couldn't watch their favourite TV programmes ("Dad's got ANOTHER MEETING in the vicarage! – if you've ever seen the John Cleese business-training film, "Meetings, Bloody Meetings!" you'll understand how they felt -), we could video their programme. Magic! Well, it was, except when I was watching an exciting film I'd recorded for myself and halfway through the tape broke. I never found out what happened at the end.

Christmas is a bit like that. Who would have made it up 2000 years ago? Angels, shepherds, a star, mysterious visitors from the East – and an unmarried mother giving birth to the "Son of God"!

And then what happened? The ending is far more exciting than the beginning, though it's not as child-friendly (an 18 rather than a PG). It includes betrayal, desertion by friends, fickle

crowds, an unholy alliance between political and religious leaders, torture and death. Sounds true to life?

C.S. Lewis, the author of "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" (as well as lots of religious and academic books), was an agnostic as a young man, and like many who'd lived through World War I, pretty dismissive of religion. But one day, undramatically and calmly, he came to believe in God and made a decision to follow Jesus Christ for the rest of his life. He later said that what helped to convince him was discovering the "Big Picture." By that he meant the whole Bible story, from beginning to end, from Creation in Genesis, to the New creation hinted at in the New Testament. For Lewis the Bible's Big Picture was the backdrop which made the most sense of life. It wove together and made sense of his experiences – joy and pain, goodness and evil, his observations and reasoning, his longing for truth, beauty, and for the world – and himself – to be better than they were.

Good Friday (why "Good" ?!) and Easter are not quite as hectic and commercialised as Christmas. Maybe we can find time to read the end of the Jesus story \* that millions of people around the world are celebrating on April 16<sup>th</sup>.

Have a good Easter.

\* There are 4 descriptions of Jesus' death and resurrection in the Bible, in the last few chapters of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John.

***Rev'd Fred Woods***

## Services across the Carlford Benefice

### April 2<sup>nd</sup> L5 Passiontide

#### **Ezekiel 37.1-14, Psalm 130, Romans 8.6-11, John 11.1-45**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion BCP	Burgh	JW
9.30am	Family Service	Hasketon	WG
9.30am	Holy Communion	Swilland	CS
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	JamesH
11.00am	Family Service	Grundisburgh	WG
11.00am	Family Service	Otley	CS
3.00pm	Thanksgiving Service for the life of Joyce Williams	Grundisburgh	CS

### April 9<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday

#### **Liturgy of the Palms: Matthew 21.1-11, Psalm 118.1-2, 19-29**

#### **Liturgy of the Passion: Isaiah 50.4-9a, Psalm 31.9-16\*,**

#### **Philippians 2.5-11, Matthew 26.14-27.66 or Matthew 27.11-54**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Holy Communion	Clopton	CS
9.30am	Parish Eucharist	Hasketon	JW
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Boulge	Lay Led
11.00am	Parish Eucharist	Grundisburgh	CS

### April 16<sup>th</sup> Easter Day

#### **Acts 10.34-43 or Jeremiah 31.1-6, Psalm 118.1-2, 14-24,**

#### **Colossians 3.1-4 or Acts 10.34-43, John 20.1-18 or Matthew 28.1-10**

8.00am	Sunrise	Clopton	JaneH
8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Burgh	JaneH
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Hasketon	WG
9.30am	Holy Communion	Otley	CS
9.30am	Family Holy Communion	Swilland	CB
11.00am	Holy Communion	Ashbocking	CB
11.00am	Holy Communion	Boulge	FW/JaneW
11.00am	Family Holy Communion and Baptism of Logan	Grundisburgh	CS

### April 23<sup>rd</sup> Low Sunday Easter 2

#### **Acts 2.14a, 22-32, Psalm 16, 1 Peter 1.3-9, John 20.19-31**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Annual Thanksgiving followed by APCM	Hasketon	CS
11.00am	Annual Thanksgiving followed by APCM	Clopton	JaneH
11.00am	Annual Thanksgiving followed by APCM	Grundisburgh	CS

### April 30<sup>th</sup> Easter 3

#### **Acts 2.14a, 36-41, Psalm 116.1-3, 10-17\*, 1 Peter 1.17-23, Luke 24.13-35**

8.00am	Holy Communion	Grundisburgh	CS
9.30am	Benefice Kagera Service	Burgh	CS
6.00pm	Annual Thanksgiving followed by APCM	Otley	CS

Key – CS – Clare Sanders, CB – Catherine Beaumont, WG – Wendy Gourlay, FW – Fred Woods, JW – John Waine, BH – Bill Herbert, MS – Mark Sanders, JaneH – Jane Hall, JamesH – James Hall, RP – Richard Pepper, RF – Robert Fletcher, JaneW – Jane Woods, IW – Ian Wilson, PI – Philip Ind, MC – Mark Cresswell, GH – Graham Hedger, Jan – Jan Bates, Linda – Linda Pollard, TBC – To be Confirmed

### **Other Services in April**

April 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Holy Communion BCP	Hasketon	9.30am
April 5 <sup>th</sup>	Holy Communion BCP	Grundisburgh	9.30am

As a Ministry Team we share the responsibility for pastoral care. First point of contact is:

**Ashbocking & Swilland**  
Catherine Beaumont- 01473 890264  
**Burgh, Boulge & Grundisburgh**  
Clare Sanders 01473 735183  
**Clopton & Otley**  
Jane Hall 01473 785251  
**Hasketon**  
Wendy Gourlay 01728 685335

## **What's On across the Carlford Benefice**

**1<sup>st</sup> Swilland Coffee Morning** at The Moon and Mushroom hosted by Nikki Gavin 10am onwards

**1<sup>st</sup> Coffee Morning** at Grundisburgh Parish Room 10.30-11.45am

**3<sup>rd</sup> 7.00pm PILGRIM** at the home of Valerie MacCuish

**3<sup>rd</sup> 7.30pm Otley and District Gardening Club** AGM "Growing from Seed, and in Containers" with Bob Booker

**4<sup>th</sup> Baby Café** Grundisburgh Parish Room 9.00am-10.30am

**4<sup>th</sup> Craft and Coffee** at Shrubbery Farm, Hasketon 10.00am - 12 noon

**5<sup>th</sup> Hobbies Group**, Clopton 10.00am until noon. Everyone is welcome

**5<sup>th</sup> Grundisburgh SWAPSHOP** 10.15am - 11.30am Parish Room

**5<sup>th</sup> "Going Deeper" Homegroup**, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am

**7<sup>th</sup> Ashbocking Coffee Morning** at the home of Steve and Sarah Wilson of Eastbrook House, Ashbocking 10.00am – 12 noon

**7<sup>th</sup> 10.00am PILGRIM** at the home of Beryl Hatelie

**7<sup>th</sup> Hasketon 2.00pm Wedding of Ewan Graham and Charlotte Gedny**

**8<sup>th</sup> Burgh Easter Coffee Morning** 10.30-12.00noon

**9<sup>th</sup> Grundisburgh Sunday Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms

**10<sup>th</sup> Knit and Stitch** Due to unforeseen circumstances this will be cancelled until further notice for all future dates.

**10<sup>th</sup> Grundisburgh Prayer Group** 5.00pm in the Upper Room

**10<sup>th</sup> Monday Housegroup**, Grundisburgh 7.30pm

**13<sup>th</sup> Otley Coffee Morning** 10.00am at the home of Ruth Farnhill, 9 Spring Park

**14<sup>th</sup> Otley Village Hall 10.am to 11.30am Messy Church.** All Welcome. £1 per family suggested donation.

**14<sup>th</sup> Reader Support Group** meet at 9.30am in the Upper Room

**18<sup>th</sup> BBC Bible Book Club** Grundisburgh 10.30am

**19<sup>th</sup> "Going Deeper" Homegroup**, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am

**19<sup>th</sup> 10.00am - 12 noon Clopton Coffee Morning** in the Village Hall

**23<sup>rd</sup> Grundisburgh Sunday Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms

**27<sup>th</sup> 12.15pm Hasketon Community Lunch**

**27<sup>th</sup> Grundisburgh Church Tiddlywinks** group for toddlers and carers 2.30pm

**29<sup>th</sup> Grundisburgh 2.30pm Wedding of Vicky Hart and Oliver Foskett**

**30<sup>th</sup> 9.30am Kagera Benefice Service** at Burgh



## Holy Week

### Holy Communions

Monday in **Hasketon**, Tuesday in **Burgh**, Wednesday in **Grundisburgh** at 9.30am  
A quiet reflective service enabling us to travel through the story of the Passion

### Maundy Thursday

Join us on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April for a Passover supper and simple communion fellowship meal at Otley Hall 7.00pm – it will be a holy meal with lamb, bread, herbs, fruit, haroseth and of course wine and costs £7.50.



### Good Friday

An informal style of Christian worship for all the family, adults and children, to participate together involving fun, singing, creative activities and sharing food. Otley Village Hall, April 14<sup>th</sup> 10am to 11.30am. All welcome, £1 per family suggested donation.

If you would like to come, please let us know names of adults and children so we can get the catering right and have fun together! [mark@thecresswells.me.uk](mailto:mark@thecresswells.me.uk)

Will you join us?

### **An Hour at the Cross**

14<sup>th</sup> April from 2.00- 3.00pm

Grundisburgh Church

With readings, hymns and meditations accompanied by music.



The Carlford Churches  
Grundisburgh, Otley, Ashbocking, Burgh  
Swilland, Clopton, Hasketon, Boulge.

## **'Beyond Alpha' – Spring 2017**

### **What do we really know about these Bible topics ...?**

Held at GRUNDISBURGH PARISH ROOMS, 10.30 – 12.00 on Monday May 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>; June 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>; July 3<sup>rd</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>.

The meetings will be facilitated by Revd Wendy Gourlay. Tea and coffee will be available and a warm welcome to those of faith, agnostic, or atheist.

A small charge of £1 per person, per session, covers costs.

We will consider:

- Session 1 – May 8<sup>th</sup>                      Group discussion: 'Covenant'
- Session 2 – May 22<sup>nd</sup>                      ppt. Presentation: 'A Brief History of Resurrection'
- Session 3 – June 5<sup>th</sup>                      Group discussion: 'The Infancy Gospels'
- Session 4 – June 19<sup>th</sup>                      Group discussion: 'Grace and Mercy'
- Session 5 – July 3<sup>rd</sup>                      ppt. Presentation: 'Moses & Exodus'
- Session 6 – July 17<sup>th</sup>                      Group discussion: 'Trinity'

**Haven't been along yet, why ever not? Join us this Spring 2017**

Enquiries: Paul on: 01473 738474 or [paulwiffen222@btinternet.com](mailto:paulwiffen222@btinternet.com)

### **Retreat Days at Otley Hall in May**

#### **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May**

Sue Monckton-Rickett

'Loving God with mind, body, soul and spirit'

#### **Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May**

Eilish Heath

'The meaning is in the waiting'

Reflecting on the absence and presence of God with the poems of R S Thomas.

A day of deep silence where the majority of the day including lunch will be silent.

Both days cost just £25 to include all refreshments and a two course buffet lunch.

The days are guided and suitable for anyone who needs space, time and peace to relax and reflect.

The days run from 10am – 4pm

Contact Karen 01473 890264  
or email [events@otleyhall.co.uk](mailto:events@otleyhall.co.uk)  
Website [www.otleyhall.co.uk](http://www.otleyhall.co.uk)

### **Carlford Groups**

#### **Social Groups**

**Hobbies group** – 5<sup>th</sup> April 10am, Clopton

**Craft and Coffee** – 4<sup>th</sup> April 10am Hasketon

**Baby Café** – 4<sup>th</sup> April 9am Grundisburgh

**Swapshop** – 5<sup>th</sup> April 10.15am, Grundisburgh

**Hasketon Community Lunch** – 27<sup>th</sup> April 12.15pm

**Tiddlywinks** – 27<sup>th</sup> April 2.30pm Grundisburgh

#### **Prayer and Study Groups**

**Going Deeper** – 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> April 10am Ashbocking

**Monday Housegroup** – 10<sup>th</sup> April 7.30pm

**Grundisburgh Prayer Group** – 10<sup>th</sup> April 5pm

**Bible Book Club** – 18<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am Grundisburgh

# BBC

## Bible Book Club

A small group - those of faith, agnostics, & atheists -interested in the historical context of Christian literature.

We meet in Grundisburgh on the third Tuesday of just four months each year, our next meeting is on April 18<sup>th</sup> 2017 at 10.30am

We'll be discussing 'Who Moved the Stone' by Frank Morison.

Why not get a copy and start reading now, we would be very pleased to have you come along.

[paulwiffen222@btinternet.com](mailto:paulwiffen222@btinternet.com) or 01473738474

Please let us know if you would

## "Knickers for the Vicar"

The response to the request to collect underwear for Christian refugees in Jordan has been fantastic.

THANK YOU

My godmother writes:

"A very big thank you. Your parishioners have been very very generous, I know their contribution will greatly appreciated by the children."

In addition to underwear, donations of over £500 were made to buy medicines for children in the camps.

THANK YOU



## FANCY A COFFEE?

We have opportunities, throughout April,

**Ashbocking** – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> at the home of Steve and Sarah Wilson of Eastbrook House, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am – 12 noon

**Burgh** – Monday 10<sup>th</sup> at the Burgh School Room 10.30am- 12 noon

**Clopton** – Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> at the Village Hall 10.00am – 12 noon

**Grundisburgh** – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> 10.30am - 11.45am and then Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> 10.15am – 11.30am both at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

**Otley** – Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> at the home of Ruth Farnhill of 9 Spring Park, Otley 10.00am.

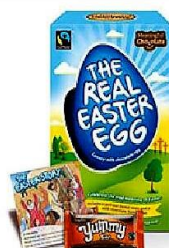
Do come along and join us.

**Swilland** – Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April hosted by Nikki Gavin at The Moon and Mushroom, Swilland from 10.00am

## HOBBIES GROUP

5<sup>th</sup> April at Clopton Village Hall 10.00am until noon

Everyone is welcome even if you don't have a hobby, just come for a coffee and chat



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## EASTER COFFEE MORNING

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> April 10.30 – 12.00 noon**

**Tea/coffee, cakes and Grand Raffle  
IN AID OF BURGH CHURCH FABRIC FUND**



### Clopton and Burgh

### Easter Celebration

As part of the growing partnership between Clopton and Burgh – on Easter Day there will be a shared service with an

**Easter celebration** at 8.00am in Clopton followed by bacon butties

and that service leading into

**Easter Communion** at 9.30am at Burgh

### **Grundisburgh Sunday Club**

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday 10.45am  
In the Parish Room

for pre-school and primary school age children

Stories, activities, fun and games

More information from  
Jenny Sewell – 01473 735329

## MID SUMMER MUSIC 2017 Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> July

### **Grundisburgh House**

*Returns again this summer*

*If you would like to perform, email to  
midsummermusic@easy.com*

*All styles of music welcome, whether  
you've performed at a previous  
Midsummer Music, or not,  
we'd love to hear from you*

### **Otley & District Gardening Club**



Patron: Matthew Tanton-Brown

### **2017 Season**

We meet at 7:30 pm,  
1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the month  
Otley Village Hall,  
Chapel Road, Otley

### **Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May**

### **"Planning and Growing Winter Veg" with Pauline Harper**

All welcome Admission £1:50  
(members) £4:00 (non-members)  
(includes refreshments)  
Annual membership £10:00

To find out more, contact  
Alan Trevelyan (01473 890563)  
Jenny Vince (01473 738244) or  
Isabel Lincoln (01473 890826)



Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2017

9.00-10.30am

Baby Cafe  
1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each  
month

Grundisburgh Parish  
Room

Free Coffee / Tea /  
Biscuits  
Plenty of buggy parking  
space  
Car parking in back  
lane,  
in front of church

For mums / dads /  
carers /  
babies / toddlers  
Drop older children off  
at school and join us

### **Kagera Benefice Service**

**April 30<sup>th</sup>**

**9.30am at Burgh**



We meet together  
to celebrate what  
has been achieved  
through taking part  
in the Kagera  
Challenge during  
Lent.

Please bring your  
Kagera Challenge  
money with you.



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### ***In Grundisburgh Every Month***

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Coffee Morning 10.30 Parish Room  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday & 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in St. Mary's  
at 12.00 after morning service

*Chocolate – Cleaning materials – Grocery*

*Greetings Cards – Socks – Gifts*

*Catalogues in St. Mary's*

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For info contact Pat Fletcher 01473 735 775  
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### **"GOING DEEPER " HOMEGROUP**

We meet at Manor Farm to study the Bible, pray and encourage each other to "go deeper" in our faith in Jesus together.

We will be meeting on  
**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> April**  
and thereafter every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Wednesday at 10am till 12 noon

For more details call Jan or John Bates  
on 01473 892605