

# The Grapevine



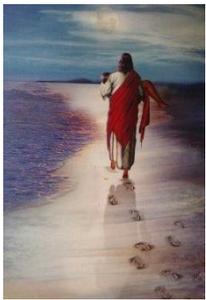
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**September 2018**

## “New Year, New Start”



September is often seen as the start of new things. A new school year, maybe a new school. Off to college, university. The start of a new job.

But sometimes new things can be really exciting and something we want to happen, other times it can be really scary, wondering about what will happen, the unknown. Will we make friends, what happens if the new job doesn't work out?

Why is September the month we start something new? Well as we live in Suffolk, and so are surrounded by farms and farming families, we should all know that after September things quieten down after the business of harvesting. So historically schooling would start after the autumn harvest where all hands would have been needed on deck.

Prior to 1752 the British calendar started in March. Our financial year starts in April. In Australia the school year starts after their summer holidays in January. The Chinese New Year starts in February. As the Islamic year is not linked to the Gregorian calendar that we follow, it does not come on the same day each year - in 2018 it is on September 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Christian faith teaches us that a new start is always possible. Christians believe that they have a personal encounter with Jesus Christ. He offers the opportunity to make that new start. What is reassuring is that when we are having a difficult time, when we may be in one of those storms of life, Jesus is with us on the boat, and he can calm our storm.

As it says in that famous footprints poem “Lord, you said, that once I decided to follow you, you'd walk with me all the way. But I have noticed that during the most troublesome times in my life there is only one set of footprints. I don't understand why, when I needed you most you would leave me. The Lord replied “My son, my precious child, I love you and I would never leave you. During your times of trial and suffering when you see only one set of footprints, it was then that I carried you.”

For people leaving home and going to college or university it can be a make or break time for Christian faith. Some people give up their faith, others find faith, often encouraged by people of their own age who have a faith. When we are new to the Christian faith we need to learn what it is all about and how it will affect us in our day to day life. So that could involve going to a house group where people read and study the Bible. We all could try one of the groups in our villages like students try new activities during Freshers' week.

When we become a Christian, we start to live in a new reality. “Christianity,” wrote Bishop Tom Wright, “isn't about cosy little lessons to make us feel better. It's about what God's doing in the world – what he's already done in Jesus and what he wants to do through us today.”

So, whatever this September 2018 brings to you, maybe a new start, maybe continuing to do the same thing, remember that Jesus is with us, by our side, on our boat, ready to help if needed. It could be the time to start something new, join a group and find out more about the Bible and how we can apply it to our lives.

*Jane Woods*

# thank you

## **Boulge Church Car Boot Sale**

Thank you to the kind donors and purchasers who attended the Boulge Church Car Boot Sale which was held on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> July. We raised £125.

*Ken Petherbridge*



**TRAIDCRAFT**  
Fighting poverty through trade

**Buy Fairtrade & Ethical Goods**

**New!!**  **Tea Blend**

**Coffee & Chocolate**

**Sugar & Honey**

**Bamboo Socks, Greetings Cards**

**Soap, Handwash, New!!**  **Cleaner**

Where?.....When?



- At** Coffee Morning in Parish Room  
1st Saturday of the month 10.30am
- In** St. Mary's 1st Sunday & 2nd Sunday  
at 12.00 after morning service
- At** Cafe 66 in Village Hall  
on Wednesday mornings

Catalogues from the stall and in St. Mary's church  
Orders and information from Pat Fletcher  
01473 735 775 [p.j.fletcher45@gmail.com](mailto:p.j.fletcher45@gmail.com)



## Harvest Supper

**Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September**

**Burgh House Barn at 6pm for 6.30pm**

**£7.50 for 2 course meal and a drink.  
Welcome to bring your own drink**

**Tickets in advance by contacting:-  
Norma 01473 738477, Sally 01473 738877  
or Anne 01473 735544**



## Messy Welcome

A fun event for adults and children together,  
involving, singing, stories and  
sharing food based on the story of the lost  
Son.

# WELCOME

Otley Village Hall

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September, 3pm to 4.30pm

All Welcome.

If you'd like to come, please let us  
know names of adults and children so  
we can get the catering right.

Email: [mark@cresswell.onl](mailto:mark@cresswell.onl)

£1 per family. Suggested donation.



## VISITORS TO OUR CHURCHES

Over the next few months, we will be welcoming visitors to our services, who are exploring the call to ordained ministry – much as Bill and Mark have done. One of our visitors is Alison – see her pen sketch below

*"I left teaching last summer after 32 years in the profession, mainly working with young people with special needs in London and Lowestoft. I am a member of the Blythburgh Valley Team in north east Suffolk, and worship at St Peter's Wenhaston. I am currently exploring my calling to priesthood as well as volunteering at a local pupil referral unit."*

Alison will be joined by others- more details to follow. They will want to talk to you and ask you about the life of our church, its joys and its challenges!

Please make them feel welcome.

*Rev'd Clare Sanders*



**Messy Church plans for the rest of 2018**

September 16 <sup>th</sup>	Messy Welcome	Otley VH
October 21 <sup>st</sup>	Messy All Saints	Clopton VH
November 18 <sup>th</sup>	Messy Light	Hasketon VH
December 15 <sup>th</sup>	Messy Christmas Holiday Club	Grundisburgh VH

Normally events are Sundays 3pm to 4:30pm in the Village Hall and designed for adults and children together.

The exception is Christmas Holiday Club which is 10am to 3pm for School age children without their parents. For under fives (with parents) there will be a 1pm to 3pm option. We will have a story, do some singing, have a variety of activities, enjoy some food and of course have lots of fun.

For details of any of these events, or to grab a space (we do need to know in advance to arrange the food), please contact us: [mark@cresswellon1](mailto:mark@cresswellon1)



Pilgrim is a place where people can explore the Christian faith together and see how it can be lived out each day.

It approaches issues of faith not through persuasion, but participation in a pattern of contemplation and discussion with a group of fellow travellers.

Come and join a PILGRIM group

Mondays at 2.00pm / 7.00pm in Grundisburgh

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays 7.30pm in Ashbocking

More information can be found

[www.pilgrimcourse.org](http://www.pilgrimcourse.org)



@pilgrimcourse

*Songs of Praise*



*Hymns Old and New at St Mary's Church, Grundisburgh on September 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11.00am*

**Harvest Festivals across the Benefice**



**9<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am Hasketon

6.30pm Boulge

**16<sup>th</sup>** 9.30am Burgh

11.00am Swiland

**23<sup>rd</sup>** 9.30am Clopton

**Services across the Carlford Benefice**  
**New Service Pattern!**

**1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 2<sup>ND</sup> - 14<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**SONG OF SOLOMON 2.8-13, PSALM 45.1-2, 6-9 [OR 45.1-7], JAMES 1.17-END**

**GRUNDISBURGH**      8.00AM      HOLY COMMUNION  
                         11.00AM      SONGS OF PRAISE  
                         12.30PM      BAPTISM OF ARLO TURNER

**OTLEY**              9.30AM      HOLY COMMUNION

**BOULGE**            11.00AM      HOLY COMMUNION

**2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> - 15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**PROVERBS 22.1-2,8,9,22,23, PSALM 125, JAMES 2.1-10 [11-13] 14-17, MARK 7.24-END**

**GRUNDISBURGH**      8.00AM      HOLY COMMUNION  
                         11.00AM      PARISH EUCHARIST

**HASKETON**          9.30AM      HARVEST FESTIVAL

**ASHBOCKING**        11.00AM      HOLY COMMUNION

**CLOPTON**            11.00AM      MORNING PRAYER

**BOULGE**            6.30PM      HARVEST EVENSONG

**3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 16<sup>TH</sup> - 16<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**PROVERBS 1.20-33, PSALM 19 [OR 19.1-6] OR CANTICLE WISDOM 7.26-8.1, JAMES 3.1-12, MARK 8.27-END**

**GRUNDISBURGH**      8.00AM      HOLY COMMUNION  
                         11.00AM      MORNING PRAYER

**BURGH**              9.30AM      HARVEST FESTIVAL

**HASKETON**          9.30AM      MORNING PRAYER

**SWILLAND**          11.00AM      HARVEST FESTIVAL

**OTLEY**              3.00PM      MESSY CHURCH

**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 23<sup>RD</sup> - 17<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**PROVERBS 31.10-END, PSALM 1, JAMES 3.13-4.3,7-8A, MARK 9.30-37**

**GRUNDISBURGH**      8.00AM      HOLY COMMUNION  
                         11.00AM      FAMILY COMMUNION

**CLOPTON**            9.30AM      HARVEST FESTIVAL

**5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 30<sup>TH</sup> - 18<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY**

**ESTHER 7.1-6, 9-10, 9.20-22, PSALM 124, JAMES 5.13-END, MARK 9.38-END**

**GRUNDISBURGH**      8.00AM      HOLY COMMUNION

**ASHBOCKING**        11.00AM      BENEFICE SERVICE

**\*NEW FROM SEPTEMBER ONWARDS\***

**MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES**

**3<sup>RD</sup>**            9.30AM      **HASKETON**  
**5<sup>TH</sup>**            9.30AM      **GRUNDISBURGH - FOLLOWED BY COFFEE AT SWAPSHOP**  
**13<sup>TH</sup>**          9.30AM      **OTLEY - FOLLOWED BY THE COFFEE MORNING AT 9 SPRING PARK**  
**17<sup>TH</sup>**          9.30AM      **HASKETON**  
**27<sup>TH</sup>**          11.30AM      **HASKETON - FOLLOWED BY THE COMMUNITY LUNCH IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

First point of contact: **Ashbocking, Burgh, Boulge, Clopton, Grundisburgh, Hasketon, Otley & Swilland**  
Rev'd Clare Sanders 01473 735183

## What's On across the Carlford Benefice – September

- 1st Swilland Coffee morning** at the home of Ann Kent of Red Court, Swilland from 10.00am
- 1st – 3rd Flower Festival**, Grundisburgh “Nursery Rhymes and their History” – see details elsewhere
- 3rd 7.30pm Otley and District Gardening Club – “Winter Pruning” with Graeme Proctor**
- 4th Baby Café** Grundisburgh Parish Room 9.00am – 10.30am
- 4th BBC** 10.30am, Grundisburgh – see details elsewhere
- 5th Hobbies Group**, Clopton Village Hall 10.00am until 12 noon
- 5th “Going Deeper” Homegroup**, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am
- 5th Midweek Communion** at 9.30am followed by coffee at **SWAPSHOP** 10.15am-11.30am Parish Room, Grundisburgh
- 7th Ashbocking Coffee Morning** 10.30am – 12 noon at Chez Onze, The Green, Ashbocking hosted by Nel and Rex Peries
- 8th Suffolk Historic Churches Bike Ride** 9.00am – 5.00pm
- 8th Grundisburgh Sunday Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms, Grundisburgh
- 10th Otley House Group** 1.45pm – 3pm at the home of Penny Clark of Cherry Bank, Otley
- 10th PILGRIM** group meets 54 Gurdon Road, Grundisburgh at 2.00pm and again at 7.00pm in the Upper Room, Grundisburgh
- 11th Carlford Carers Support Group meet** at the home of Sue and John Goode, Grundisburgh 10.00am
- 11th 2.00pm Boulge PCC meet** at 54 Gurdon Road, Grundisburgh
- 11th 7.30pm Grundisburgh and Hasketon PCC meet** at Grundisburgh School
- 12th Ashbocking House Group – PILGRIM** 7.30pm meets at the home of Linda and John Pollard of Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking
- 13th Midweek Communion** at 9.30am followed by **Otley Coffee Morning** at the home of Ruth Farnhill of 9 Spring Park, Otley at 10.00am
- 13th Grundisburgh Church Tiddlywinks** group for toddlers and carers 2.30pm
- 15th 2.00pm Otley Wedding of James Holmes and Melanie Soames**
- 15th Burgh Harvest Supper** 6pm for 6.30pm Burgh House Barn, Burgh
- 16th Messy Church**, Otley 3.00pm
- 17th 2.30pm FOBS AGM** – in Burgh School Room
- 17th 7.00pm PILGRIM** meets in the Upper Room
- 17th Monday House Group** at the home of Malcolm and Sandra Green at 7.30pm
- 18th 6.00pm Ministry Team meet** in the Upper Room
- 19th 10.00-12.00noon Clopton Coffee Morning** in the Village Hall
- 19th “Going Deeper” Homegroup**, Manor Farm, The Green, Ashbocking 10.00am
- 22nd Grundisburgh Sunday Club** 10.45am in the Parish Rooms, Grundisburgh
- 22nd 5.00pm Ashbocking Wedding of Kevin Balaam and Adine Schrankel**
- 24th Beyond Belief** 10.30am – 12 noon Grundisburgh Parish Rooms – details elsewhere
- 24th Otley House Group** 1.45pm – 3pm at the home of Penny Clark of Cherry Bank, Otley
- 24th 2.00pm PILGRIM** meets at 54 Gurdon Road, Grundisburgh and again at 7.00pm in the Upper Room, Grundisburgh
- 26th 7.30pm Ashbocking House Group – PILGRIM** meets at the home of Linda and John Pollard of Hawthorns, The Green, Ashbocking
- 26th Cribfest Community Art Project** 3.00pm Grundisburgh Parish Room
- 27th Midweek Communion** at 11.30am followed by the **Hasketon Community Lunch** at 12 noon
- 27th Grundisburgh Church Tiddlywinks** 2.30pm
- 27th 7.30pm COSA PCCs meet** at Clopton Village Hall

Armistice Day  
November 11<sup>th</sup> 2018  
St. Mary's, Grundisburgh

Your help please,  
to make our display of Red Poppies.

We shall need lots of poppies  
made from a material of your choice  
and about 3½ inches across.

Can be left in the box at the back of the  
church or at 24 Post Mill Gardens

For more information please contact  
Pat Fletcher 01473 735 775



# CRIBFEST

Community Art project

September 26<sup>th</sup>

October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>

Grundisburgh Parish Room 3.00pm

Open to all – creating a focal point for  
CRIBFEST- using old Christmas cards –  
to make a 10ft star!



## Carlford Groups

### Social Groups

- Baby Café** – 4<sup>th</sup> September 9am Grundisburgh  
**Hobbies Group** – 5<sup>th</sup> September 10am, Clopton  
**Swapshop** – 5<sup>th</sup> September 10.15am, Grundisburgh Church  
**Tiddlywinks** – 13<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup> September 2.30pm, Grundisburgh

### Prayer and Study Groups

- Ashbocking House Group – PILGRIM** 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm, Ashbocking  
**Going Deeper** – 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> September 10am Ashbocking  
**Grundisburgh Sunday Club** – 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> September 10.45am, Grundisburgh  
**Monday House Group** – 17<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm, Grundisburgh  
**Otley House Group** – 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> September 1.45pm, Otley  
**Pilgrim** 10<sup>th</sup> September - 2pm & 7pm, Grundisburgh  
12<sup>th</sup> September - 7.30pm, Ashbocking  
17<sup>th</sup> September - 7pm, Grundisburgh  
24<sup>th</sup> September - 2pm & 7pm, Grundisburgh  
26<sup>th</sup> September - 7.30pm, Ashbocking

## Flower Festival Nursery Rhymes and their Origin



at St. Mary's   
Grundisburgh IP13 6NF

Saturday Sept 1<sup>st</sup> 10am – 5pm  
Sunday Sept 2<sup>nd</sup> 1pm – 5pm  
Monday Sept 3<sup>rd</sup> 10am – 4pm  
Light refreshments every day

Funds raised will be donated to

the  **BLOOM Appeal** for Ipswich Hospital  
Breast Care Centre

and the Church Development Fund



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**September 8<sup>th</sup> 2018**

9.00am – 5.00pm



Cyclists and walkers needed- as well as volunteers to welcome our visitors

Can you ride for your church or be part of a Welcome team?

Sponsor forms can be downloaded from the Suffolk Historic Churches Trust website

A list of churches and chapels open is also on the website

Welcome team members – can sign up on the lists in our churches

All the Carlford churches are open!

After the ride please send the money by cheque, payable to SHCT, together with a paying in slip giving the name of the parish you wish to benefit.

It should go to David Gould at [7 Karen Close Ipswich](#) IPI 4LP

**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 just four Tuesday mornings each year.

Our next meeting is on September 4<sup>th</sup> 2018 at 10.30am

Discussing: 'How To Read The Bible & Still Be A Christian – Is God Violent? An Exploration from Genesis to Revelation' By John Dominic Crossan

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 will be joining us.



## FANCY A COFFEE?



We have opportunities, throughout September,

**Ashbocking** – Friday 7th at Chez Onze, The Green, Ashbocking hosted by Nel and Rex Peries, Ashbocking 10.30am – 12 noon

**Clopton** – Wednesday 19th at the Village Hall 10.00am – 12 noon

**Grundisburgh** – Wednesday 5th 10.00am – 11.00am at Grundisburgh Parish Rooms

**Otley** – Thursday 13th 10.00am at the home of Ruth Farnhill of 9 Spring Park, Otley

**Swilland** – Saturday 1st at the home of Ann Kent of Red Court, Swilland from 10.00am

Do come along and join us

## Otley & District Gardening Club



### New Season Club Meetings 2018/19

Patron: Matthew Tanton-Brown

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

### Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October – “Autumn Bulbs for Spring Colour” with Matthew Long

All welcome - Join up or just come along. Admission £1.50 (members) £4 (non-members) Annual membership £10

To find out more, contact either Alan Trevelyan (01473 890563) Isabel Lincoln (01473 890826)

## ? Beyond

## ? Belief Autumn 2018

What do we really know about these Bible topics ?

We are a small group which gives us the opportunity to discuss areas of Christian Faith at six meetings held at GRUNDISBURGH PARISH ROOMS, 10.30am–12.00noon

Sessions are fortnightly on Monday September 24<sup>th</sup>; October 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>; November 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup>, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. People of faith, agnostics, and atheists are all very welcome.

Tea or coffee and a piece of cake will be available and a warm welcome to all. A small charge of £1 per person, per session, covers costs.

We will consider – What do we really know about . . . .

**Session 1 – September 24<sup>th</sup> - Biblical Topic – ppt. Presentation 1: ‘Eden and the origins of life’** – Facts and/or Fiction? Where did the Genesis information come from? Where was Eden? What do we learn from these accounts?

**References:** Two accounts: [1. Priestly Source] Genesis 1:1-2:4a; [2. Yahwist Source] Genesis 2:4b-3:24; plus Job 38:4-36

**Session 2 – October 8<sup>th</sup> - Biblical Topic – Discussion 1: ‘The Apostle Paul’s Teachings’** – Why are Paul’s beliefs different to those of the Jerusalem church? Did he say slavery was okay or not? Did he believe marriage was no longer acceptable? What did he say about food? **References:** 1 Corinthians 7:1-40; 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 & 11:7-34; Ephesians 6:5-9; Colossians 3:22-4:1

**Session 3 – October 22<sup>nd</sup> - Biblical Topic – ppt. Presentation 2: ‘The Biblical Apocrypha and the Maccabees’** What is the Apocrypha? Is it part of the Bible? Who were the Maccabees and how did they uphold the laws given by Yahweh? What do they have to do with Jesus? **References:** The Biblical Apocrypha, commentaries, footnotes & appendices in your Bible

**Session 4 – November 5<sup>th</sup> - Biblical Topic – Discussion 2: ‘Women and the Church’** –What was the role of the female followers of Jesus? What was Paul’s view of the role of women? Did women hold positions in the early Church?

**References:** Romans 16:1-16; 1 Corinthians 11:2-16; 1 Corinthians 14:33-38; Ephesians 5:22-33; 1 Timothy 2:9-15

**Session 5 – November 19<sup>th</sup> - Biblical Topic – ppt. Presentation 3: ‘Exodus – the Ten Plagues’** When are the plagues said to have occurred? Did they really occur? What did they mean to the Pharaoh Rameses? **References:** Deuteronomy 6:28-12:42

**Session 6 – December 3<sup>rd</sup> - Biblical Topic – Discussion 3: ‘What do you know about Jesus Christ and his Life? Fun Quiz. References:** The New Testament

**Why not come and try our group? Join us this Autumn 2018**

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**From The Editor** The cut off date for material to be included is the 8<sup>th</sup> of the month and material should be sent to Clare at [revclaresanders@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:revclaresanders@tiscali.co.uk) & Amy at [bakergirl174@gmail.com](mailto:bakergirl174@gmail.com) please.



### The Carlford Churches

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