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WELCOME TO WORSHIP TODAY

Sunday 16th August Trinity 11

'Behold how good and pleasant it is to dwell together in unity.'
Psalm 133v1

WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY- Trinity 11

9.00am Holy Communion (BCP) St Michael's
9.30am Inter Generation Communion St Luke's
10.30am Morning Worship St Michael's
10.30am Holy Communion St Botolph's

BIBLE READINGS

Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32
Matthew 15:21-28

WORSHIP NEXT SUNDAY – Trinity 12

9.00am Holy Communion (BCP) St Michael's
9.30am FEAST St Luke's
10.30am Holy Communion St Michael's
5.30pm IGNITE St Michael's

COLLECT

O God, you declare your almighty power
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,
that we, running the way of your commandments,
may receive your gracious promises,
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Prayer for the world Lord Jesus, we come to you carrying a world that is beautiful and wounded in equal measure. We long for an end to violence that does not come at another's expense. May those entrusted with power choose wisdom over vengeance, dialogue over domination, and courage enough to seek peace even when it seems impossible. We pray for communities across Europe, Asia, Africa, and the Americas facing dangerous heat, wildfires, drought, floods, and polluted skies. Renew in us a reverence for the world you declared good. Teach us to care for forests and rivers, oceans and grasslands, not as possessions to be consumed but as gifts entrusted to every generation. May those making decisions about climate and energy place the flourishing of future children alongside the needs of today.

For community: We thank you that you have placed us where we live now and set around us communities to which we can belong. We thank you for our families, friends, neighbours, work colleagues and all the other people who we connect with in some way. Lord Jesus, we ask that you will bless our communities, touch our relationships, and inspire us to make greater efforts to be good neighbours, caring friends, and more generous with the time we are willing to give to make the places we live together better. We thank you for the groups, organisations and individuals who serve our communities and for those who invest time and resources to support our needs.

Mission Focus – CATHERINE LEE We give thanks for the many years of dedicated service that Catherine has given to the Diocese of Taiwan. Especially we give thanks for her energy, her sense of humour and her enthusiasm. We pray for and look forward to her next visit to the UK and to Beccles

Summer Children and Youth activities

As the summer holidays are here, and we have our events for children and youth in the parish.

- **Holiday Hangout** (please note that due to team capacity, this will only be open to high school age young people this year) - Wednesday 12-3pm 19th August. Register via the website or QR code on leaflets in churches.
- **Cakes 'n' Ladders** – Pop up café Tuesday mornings (10am-2pm) at St Michael's and run by our Young Leaders. Snacks and light lunches are available and playing games is optional. Open to all ages! Do come and support. Please see Kate for further details.

Food in School Holidays (FiSH) – Our picnic lunches for families are available again every Wednesday during August. To get your picnic, sign up using the QR code or visit the events page on our website, <https://becclesparish.org.uk/events>. Picnics will need to be collected from St Luke's church between 12 and 1pm. Bon appetit!



Back Soon! – The next Parish Pantry will be on the 29th of August, while the Lunch Club restarts on the 3rd of September. In the meantime, our amazing and hard working volunteers at the Lunch Club and Parish Pantry will be having a well-deserved summer break.

Rev Alix's Installation – Rev Alix will be installed as the Rector of Southwold by Bishop Joanne at 7.30pm on the 1st of September at St Edmunds church in Southwold. If you are planning to join us at this service of celebration and are able to offer a lift to others, then please add your name to the list at the back of the church. Alternatively, if you would like a lift, then also please add your name to the list and we will try to match everyone up. Thank you!

Call for Churchwardens – We still have vacancies for two churchwardens at St Luke's. Churchwardens play a vital part in the life of our parish, caring not just for the church building but also for the well-being of our church members and the wider community. Please prayerfully consider if this is something that God may be calling you to and talk to Fran or Revd Dimitri if you would like to find out more about the role.



Weekly Bulletin Survey – We're trying to make the Weekly Bulletin more relevant to everyone's needs and are looking for your thoughts and comments. It would be great if you could complete our questionnaire, between now and the end of August, either online at <https://becclesparish.org.uk/connect/bulletin> or by scanning the QR code. There are also copies of the survey available at the back of all our churches if you'd prefer to complete the survey on paper. Thank you!

Popup Prayer – Prayer changes things! As part of our Summer Mission we're going out into the community, offering prayer and refreshments out and about. The third in our series of Popup Prayers will be in the Walk at St Michael's on Thursday, 20th of August from 1pm to 3.30pm. Check our Prayer leaflet or website for details of locations and dates of all our Popup Prayers and other activities this summer.

Prayer – Prayer is the cornerstone of our spiritual life, serving as a lifeline that deepens connection, provides comfort and grounds our soul. Prayer changes things! This year our Summer Mission will be all about prayer. Prayer will underpin everything we do; it will be at the heart of our family and children's outreach, and it will be the theme of our GATHER and FEAST services. L

Prayer for Growth

God of Mission, who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning,
Wisdom to our actions, Joy to our worship, And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Connect through one of our regular coffee mornings		If you need food and support
Every Friday Friends of St Michael's Coffee Morning 10am -12noon at St Michael's 	Every Saturday Coffee & Chat 9.30am -11am at St Luke's a chance to catch up over coffee, toast, or a bacon roll.	Foodbank at St Luke's Mondays 2-3pm Fridays 2-3.30pm Parish Pantry Pop up Shop Saturdays 9.30am-11am at St Luke's Christians Against Poverty 0800 328 0006

DIARY DATES

Tuesday 18 th August	10.00am-2.00pm	Cakes and Ladders	St Michael's
Wednesday 19 th August	12.00-1.00pm	FISH lunches	St Luke's
Wednesday 19 th August	12.00-3.00pm	Holiday Hangout	St Luke's
Thursday 20 th August	1.00pm-3.30pm	Pop Up Prayer	St Michael's

WORSHIP DURING THE WEEK - all are welcome to any or all of our services.

MORNING PRAYER – Monday & Tuesday 8.30am on Zoom, Wednesday 8.30am at St Luke's.

Join on **Zoom ID 985 0957 8510 passcode 405454** **EVENING PRAYER Tuesday** 3.30pm at St Botolph, North Cove

MIDWEEK COMMUNION Tuesday 10am at All Saints Worlingham, **Thursday** 10am at St Michael's



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