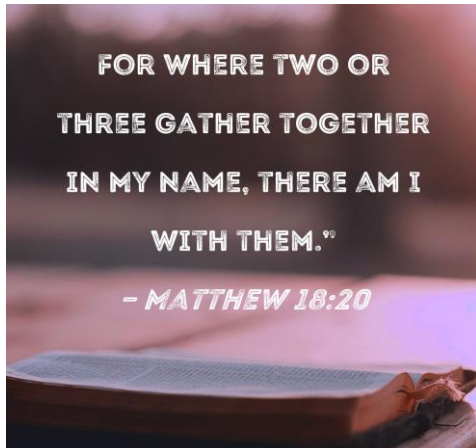


Welcome to Wombridge, The Church in the Park



Sunday 6 September 2026

14th Sunday after Trinity

3.00pm Holy Communion

Lectionary Readings for today:

Exodus 12: 1-14

Romans 13: 8-14

Matthew 18: 15-20

Psalms 149

Collect for the 14th Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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

This week we ask for your prayers for those living and working in Pickthorn Court, Ramshurst Court, Burfield Court, Allcot Court, Hadley Road. Please contact Margaret Afford, Tel 01952 419826 9.30am – 12 noon, or email wombridgeparishchurch@outlook.com with any personal prayer requests.

Sept Services

13th: 11.00am Family Service

20th: 11.00am Family Service – please note change!

27th: 11.00am Family Service, Harvest Thanksgiving

October Services

4th: 3.00pm Holy Communion

11th: 11.00am Family Service

18th: 11.00am Holy Communion with Baptism

25th: 11.00am Family Service

There is also a short service of Morning Prayer on Wednesdays at 9.15am

Thought for the day Blessed are those who remain steadfast under trial, for when they have stood the test they will receive the crown of life, which God has promised to those who love him. *James 1: 12*

Autumn trip to Tong Church (St Bartholomew's) followed by lunch - Tuesday 13th October

We are planning a guided tour of Tong Church followed by lunch. The tour of the Church lasts about an hour and costs £10 per person. There is a lot to see and hear at this Grade 1 Listed building that John Betjeman called 'The Westminster Abbey of the Midlands'; it has a Golden Chapel built in 1510 with its rich colouring earning the name; the Stanley Monument in the Church features an inscription believed to have been written by William Shakespeare; Charles Dickens visited the church in 1840 and chose it as the final resting place and setting for Little Nell in the closing chapters of *The Old Curiosity Shop*; the Great Bell of Tong weighs 2.5 tons and is the ninth-largest swinging church bell in England.

If you would like to come along on this visit, there is a list at the back of Wombridge Church or you can let Chris Griffiths know on 07930245773. Lifts are available and timings will be confirmed closer to the trip but are expected to be arriving at Tong for 11am and lunch at 12.30pm *Social and Outreach Team*

Wombridge Parish Church Open Day Saturday 12th September 10am to 2pm

On National Ride 'n' Stride day we will be having an Open Day to welcome all visitors between 10am and 2pm. We will be offering free hot drinks and cakes, a monkey hunt for children, and visitors can explore the Church, Churchyard and Ancient Scheduled Monument. If you are able to help for an hour of the opening that would be really appreciated. Please let Chris Griffiths know, thank you.

Bank Holiday Monday community event ... we enjoyed a lovely morning in the Parish Centre on Bank Holiday Monday. Due to the weather we turned the car boot sale into a table-top sale. We welcomed 3 'booters' and with our own bric a brac, we had all available tables full of pre-loved bargains and, more importantly, a hall full of people browsing the tables and enjoying Kevin's delicious bacon baps and stopping to chat with friends and neighbours. We saw a lot of new faces too! The icing on the cake was that a brilliant £367.10 was raised for Church funds. So this new venture was very successful. Many thanks to everyone who came along, donated items and those who helped plan the event. *Social and Outreach Team*

Welcome Notes ... A recent PCC meeting approved an idea that a 'welcome note' could be designed, to be pushed through letter boxes of houses that we notice are sold or newly built in our Parish. (there is a map of our Parish on the notice board). The note welcomes the owner to their new home and gives brief details about Wombridge Parish Church including our location, contact details and service times.

There is a small stock of the Welcome Notes on the leaflet table at the back of Church, please take these and post them when you see that a house in the Parish has been sold. If you could also just write the address on the list provided it will just ensure that several people don't all post through the same house! *Thank you from Wombridge PCC*

Safeguarding

Please be aware that there is now a dedicated email address for reporting safeguarding concerns. wombridge.safeguarding@easttelfordbenefice.co.uk

The Newsletter for the East Telford Benefice can be found at easttelfordbenefice.co.uk, then click on the links near the top of the page. There is always plenty to read about and lots of useful information.

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