

The next **Ford End Senior Tea** will be on Monday 10th November at the new Autumn time of 2pm. Come for a chat, cake and a cup of tea. Venue is Woodstock, Church Lane, Ford End, CM3 1LH. If you are new please phone Sheila on 07977 077945.

The November **prayer meeting** at Ashcroft will be on Wednesday 5th November at 3pm. Everyone is warmly welcome, talk to Jo or Carol Pritchard for more info.

This bench in Great Waltham Churchyard commemorates those who took part in the campaigns in Burma and the Far East in World War 2. Betty Croot's late husband served there and Richard Broom has very kindly restored the seat to mark her 100th birthday.



The inscription on the plaque reads:
War in the Far East 1942-1945
To commemorate the
cessation of hostilities in
Burma and the South Pacific
and the end of World War II
20th August 1995

God of hope, who brought love into this world,
be the love that dwells between us.
God of hope, who brought peace into this world,
be the peace that dwells between us.
God of hope, who brought joy into this world,
be the joy that dwells between us.
God of hope, the rock we stand upon,
be the centre, the focus of our lives
always, and particularly this Advent time.
https://www.faithandworship.com/prayers_Advent.htm#gsc.tab=0

The Leighs and Little Waltham PCC meet on Tuesday December 2nd at 7.00pm at Gate Farm.

Give all your worries and cares to God, for He cares about you.
1 Peter 5.7

If you would like the pew sheet by email please let Alison know,
admin@littleandgreat.org.uk, and she will add you to the mailing list.

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Church Websites: www.greatwalthamchurch.org.uk
<https://churchesattheleighsandlittlewaltham.org>



Welcome to Gracefields Pew Sheet for November 2025

Gracefields' November Services

Sunday 2nd

11.00am – Joint Gracefields' Communion – Great Waltham

Thursday 6th

6.00pm – Still Waters Communion – Little Waltham

Sunday 9th

Remembrance Services

Ford End

9.15am assemble at Church

9.30am Service at war memorial

Great Waltham

10.30am Duffries Close for parade

10.45am War Memorial

11.00am Service in Church

Little Waltham

10.45am – Act of Remembrance

Great Leighs

10.45am – Remembrance Service

The Chignals

10.55am – Remembrance Service

Thursday 13th

6.00pm – Still Waters Communion – Little Waltham

Sunday 16th

9.30am – Family Service – Little Leighs

11.00am – Communion – Great Waltham

Thursday 20th

6.00pm – Still Waters Communion – Little Waltham

Sunday 23rd

9.30am – Communion – Great Leighs

10.00am – Family Worship – Ford End

11.00am – Communion – The Chignals

Thursday 27th

6.00pm – Still Waters Communion – Little Waltham

Sunday 30th

9.30am – Joint Communion – Little Waltham

6.30pm – Advent Service with Jesse Tree – Ford End

Sunday 7th December

11.00am – Joint Gracefields' Communion – Great Waltham

Private Prayer

Little Waltham: Sundays 11am - 3pm

Little Leighs: open daily for private prayer

Ford End: open daily 9am – 4pm for private prayer

The Chignals: closed apart from Church services.

Great Waltham: open Mondays 1-2.30pm, 1st Tuesday of the month 9.30-11am and last Wednesday of the month 10-12pm.



Please Pray:

- For all those affected by Hurricane Melissa which has caused total devastation in Jamaica.
- Father God we pray that you will guide our world leaders. We pray they will make wise decisions and justice will prevail.
- A prayer for remembrance: O God of truth and justice, we hold before You those people who have been injured or who have died in active service. As we honour their courage and cherish their memory, may we put our faith in Your future; for You are the source of life, peace and hope, now and for ever. Amen. (Prayers from The Church of England)
- For all who suffer because of war, the friends and families who have lost loved ones. Give thanks for our Armed Forces, veterans and the work of The British Legion.
- Dear Lord please comfort those who experience mental illness. Lift their burdens, calm their anxiety, and quiet their fears. Surround them with your healing presence that they may know that they are not alone www.chausa.org/prayers/prayer-library/prayer/a-prayer-for-the-mentally-ill
- For all those men and women who work in the emergency services providing 24 hour care and protection, both in front line and behind the scenes. Pray, too, for their chaplains.
- For all those who need our prayers due to sickness or ill health, especially Luke Wiffen, Richard Gibson, Joanne McLachlan, Jean Sly, Izzy Reed, Teddie Emmett, Mick Duke, Tony Neal, Bridget Wright, Keith Derry, Janet Luckin, Peter Wells, Rachel Threlfall, Michelle Hall, Alan Baker, Danny Fincham, Jake Bamford and others we know.
- For those who mourn, especially the family and friends of Richard Threlfall, Colin Beeton and Jean Sly.

Christmas Tree Festival – Great Waltham Church

Saturday 6th December

11am – 4pm Christmas Fair

7pm Essex Police band and Village Choir concert

On Sunday 7th December

4.15pm tree lighting in Banbury Square

5pm Christingle service in church

See posters for more info.

Please can we have helpers for the Christmas Fair and we would be grateful for cakes and any items for the tombola and raffle.

Come to a Pub Lunch at The Compasses and Bring a Neighbour. Tuesday November 25th from 12.00pm till 2.00pm. Please tell James- (07711 328102) if you are coming so we can ensure enough seating for everyone.

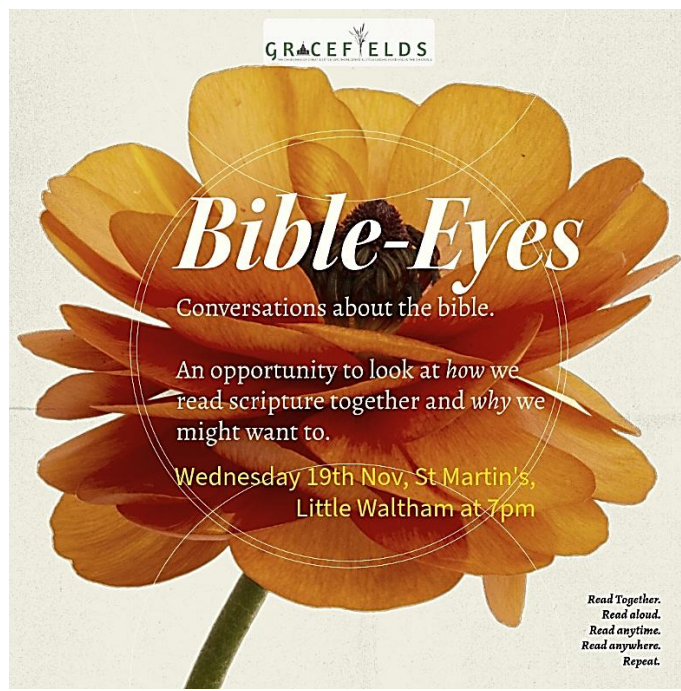
Coffee with Christ will be held on Wednesday November 19th at St John's, Little Leighs. We start with breakfast at 9.30am followed by morning prayer often including a discussion, and welcome all to join us.

St Nicholas, Chignal Smealey is changing its service time to the 4th Sunday of each month normally at 11am. The Remembrance service will be on Sunday November 9th at 10.55am. Then Sunday November 23rd at 11am for a Communion Service.

Joint Advent Service Sunday 30th Nov at 6.30pm at Ford End Church. Please come and join us at for the Jesse Tree Service. Hear the story of the Bible from Creation to the Birth of Jesus.

Great Waltham Church would be very grateful for volunteers to help with refreshments and setting up Communion. Please speak to David Williams or Jean Blaber for more information.

Dear All. Please join me for an evening of Bible chat on the subject of Waiting for God. Every blessing. Rev'd Dan



"The wonderful thing about praying is that you leave a world of not being able to do something, and enter God's realm where everything is possible. He specialises in the impossible. Nothing is too great for His almighty power. Nothing is too small for His love." Corrie Ten Boom.

December Services

Thursday 4th December

6.00pm – Communion – Little Waltham

Sunday 7th December

11.00am – Gracefields' Joint Service - Great Waltham

4.15pm – Lighting of Tree in Banbury Square - Great Waltham

5.00pm – Christingle - Great Waltham

Thursday 11th December

6.00pm – Communion – Little Waltham

Sunday 14th December

9.30am – Communion – Little Leighs

11.00am – Family Communion – Ford End

Thursday 18th December

6.00pm – Communion – Little Waltham

Sunday 21st December

11.00am – Communion – Great Waltham

3.00pm – 9 Lessons & Carols – Great Waltham

4.00pm – Carol Service – Great Leighs

Christmas Eve - Wednesday 24th December

3.00pm – Crib Service – The Chignals

4.00pm – Crib Service – Ford End

5.00pm – Crib Service – Little Waltham

11.30pm – Midnight Mass – Great Leighs

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Christmas Day – Thursday 25th December

10.00am – Christmas Communion – Little Leighs

10.00am – Christmas Communion – Ford End

Sunday 28th December

9.30am – Communion – Great Leighs

10.00am – Family Worship – Ford End

11.00am – Service of The Word – The Chignals