

LIGHT *At The* DOOR

Welcome to the Weekly Newsletter for The Bain Valley & Woodhall Spa Group of Churches

Services in our Churches Sunday 17th August

9.30am Eucharist St Michael's Coningsby - Revd Sall
9.30am Morning Praise St Margaret's Bucknall - David
11am Eucharist St Peter's Woodhall Spa - Revd Sall

Holy Communion St Peter's Woodhall Spa
on Wednesday 13th August at 9.30am

Mother's Union Holy Communion

Tuesday 19th August 11am

Lady Chapel St Peter's
followed by

Afternoon Tea and Cake at

The Rectory Coningsby 2pm

Guest Speakers are Jayne and Ann

SAFEGUARDING INFORMATION

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Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
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.

Sheila Mullinger's FRIDAY SLOT is LIVE on
www.facebook.com/WoodhallSpaGoC

FREE Children's Holiday Activities
at Holy Trinity Church Tattershall



Come and Have a Go at Brass Rubbing
Plus a variety of children's
colouring Pages featuring
medieval life for children

All Resources provided
Choice of Resin 'Brass Plaques'
to create your own pictures.

Grown Ups can have a go
or sit and enjoy a hot drink &
piece of cake for £3.00

Children's drinks & snacks at sensible prices

Sunday 17th August 2025 Trinity 9



As we ALL move forward in our life of faith - receiving spiritual nourishment from our worship and our holy communion let us pray the post communion prayer for 10th August daily.

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things;
may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute;

may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit;

may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope;

and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; Amen

Bucknall Village Hall Monday Community Hub



9:30am - 11am
All welcome
It's just £1
for tea &
cake

Monday's Community Hub raises funds for
St. Margaret's Church

The Hub is 'drop in' and is a great way to meet people, have a chat, or use our book exchange.

LINCOLNSHIRE WOLDS & COAST CHURCHES FESTIVAL



Saturday 13 September 2025,

Sunday 14 September 2025

Theme is the 'Battle of Britain'

commemorating the 85th anniversary this year.



Refreshments and
Tombola
all in aid of the
roof replacement Fund

Free entry Dog friendly and we have a bicycle rack too.

MANY CONGRATULATIONS

to Churchwarden Paul Brewster who has won the election to fill the house of Laity casual vacancy on General Synod where he will serve until July 2026.

Paul has served his community in many roles in the church as a secretary & Treasurer for over 40 years. He is Churchwarden in three of our Churches, (Woodhall Spa, Langton, and Tattershall). Paul is our Lay Co Lead in East Lindsey Deanery Mission Partnership, a Director of Lincoln Diocesan Board of Education, Trustee of Lincoln Diocesan Trust and Board of Finance (Chair of Assets Committee), Charity Trustee on various Grant Giving Bodies, School Governor for over 20 years – Chair at two C of E Primary Schools and a Grammar School with responsibilities to support other schools with Governance, and Vice Chair of Multi Academy Trust. And a member of Diocesan Synod.

Paul's mission is to ensure that the Church remains inclusive and relevant,
'the church needs to be there for all and not the few.'

I absolutely concur with his belief, and I feel very privileged to be working alongside Paul whose support has been unwavering in my first year as your priest. May God continue to bless you in your life and work Paul.

THE A TEAM Another group of people I am very privileged to work with are the nine who have dedicated more than 30 hours (plus many hours studying) to follow the 'To Love and Serve The Lord' Course, and who are now training to lead and assist in public worship. They are a brilliant group of people who will be authorised as Lay Ministers in our deanery in a few months. They will work to their strengths in leading worship, pastoral ministry and working with children. Each additional module is a further 14 hours training plus all the background study they have to do. I am very proud of all that they have achieved and look forward to working with them in our churches.

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Jeremiah 23.23-29

Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back—those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart? They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal.

Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

PSALM 82 1-8

Hebrews 11.29-12.2

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets— who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground. Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Luke 12.49-56

'I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'

He also said to the crowds, 'When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, "It is going to rain"; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, "There will be scorching heat"; and it happens.

You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?