



This week's service

Sunday 6th August 2023

This week's reading

Welcome to today's service led by Sandra O'Toole with Sean O'Toole preaching



Zephaniah 3:14-20

## A thought from Sean

The book of Zephaniah was written about 650 years before Jesus' birth. Zephaniah was a contemporary of Jeremiah. His message was to challenge the people who had turned their backs on God and begun to worship idols. The message in this short book mirrors much of what is happening in our nation today. Just as God was thought to be largely irrelevant to many in Zephaniah's days where only a few remained faithful so, in our time the Good News that Jesus is the Only One who can rescue the lost is constantly being undermined. This week we will explore how we might know Jesus better and how we might renew our commitment to sharing the Good News to our friends and neighbours.

# THE LORD YOUR GOD IS IN YOUR MIDST,

A MIGHTY ONE WHO WILL SAVE;
HE WILL REJOICE OVER
YOU WITH GLADNESS;
HE WILL QUIET YOU
BY HIS LOVE; HE
WILL EXULT OVER
YOU WITH LOUD SINGING.
-ZEPHANIAH 3:17

Alzheimer's

Society

## Prayer for the week

Gracious Father, revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### Weekly Prayer Meeting

We meet each Thursday from 7-8pm, usually at Nigel and Deb's house, 3 Sharpswood Manor, Woodville.

These are exciting meetings and each week they're led by a different member of the group. Not everyone who comes prays aloud, so don't be nervous about that. The important thing is to be part of it. If you need a lift speak to Nigel or Sandra

## Recycling stamps for Alzheimer's Society

Gwen is collecting used postage stamps that she will send to Alzheimer's Society. All kinds of stamps are welcome.

Simply cut the stamps from the envelope, being careful not to damage the stamp in the process. There is a box at the back of church to put your stamps in. Thank you

Church diary for the next month

Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> August 7pm Prayer meeting at 3 Sharpswood Manor

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August 10:45 Morning Worship

led by Sandra O'Toole with Debbie Patrick preaching

Sunday 20th August 10:45 Morning Worship with Rev Mike Firbank

Sunday 27th August 10:45 Morning Worship with Rev Bex Allpress

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> September No service in the morning

led by Rev Mike Firbank

**3pm Civic Service** 

#### Cleaning Rota

Please clean the church before the date marked.

Please swap with someone else on the rota if you cannot clean during your week.

The toilets will be cleaned weekly by Sean & Sandra

13 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Bill
20 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Brian Redfern
27 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Val & Andy
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	Nige & Deb
10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Christine
17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Jane
24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Bill

# Refreshments Rota

It's a real blessing to be able to spend time chatting with one another after the service. We have a rota for serving tea & coffee.

Please swap with someone if you cannot do a particular date. Please bring the milk. Thank you

6 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Maxine & Jane
13 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Christine
20 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Deb W & Alicia
27 <sup>th</sup> Aug	Carol
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sept	James
10 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Maxine & Jane
17 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Christine
24 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Deb W & Alicia

## Salvation Army

# Drop-in Community Café at the Thrift Store

37 - 41 Market St, Church Gresley, Swadlincote

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday

9.15am -12.30pm.

Our focus is on community which is the main reason the prices of hot drinks and snacks are kept real low and affordable for all.

We offer bacon baps, sausage baps, (under £2) and toasties, toasted teacakes.

The drop in also hosts a number of community projects throughout the week.



www.salvationarmy.org.uk/swadlincote

Thanks to Dave Young for telling me about the café

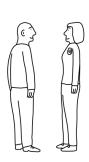
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