



Sunday 15th February 2026

Today's service

10:45 Holy Communion
with Rev Kara and Rev Patrick

WELCOME
TO OUR
service

Today's Reading



Exodus 3:2-5

A Thought from Kara

In his theology of "Being With," Sam Wells reminds us that when we enter the messiness and transformation of others' lives, we must "take off our shoes," for the ground is holy. Much like Moses at the burning bush, we encounter the divine not in polished perfection, but within the fire of lived experience. Today's service of testimony invites us into that sacred space. By sharing our stories of being transformed by God, we acknowledge that every struggle and triumph is holy ground where God is present.

Prayer for the week

Holy God,
you know the disorder of our sinful lives:
set straight our crooked hearts,
and bend our wills
to love your goodness and your glory
in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen

This week ...

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ASH WEDNESDAY

A REFLECTIVE SERVICE WITH HOLY COMMUNION

18 FEBRUARY, 2026 | 7:00 PM

St Peter's Church, Hartshorne
A joint service for Swadlincote Minster



Swadlincote Minster LENT course

Please join us at either a daytime group or an evening group at Gresley Church Community Centre

(Any questions? Rev Mike 07814 033183)
2pm-3.30pm or 7.30pm-9pm
Tuesday 24th February & Tuesdays 3rd
10th, 17th March

In an increasingly anxious world, let's journey together towards this ... "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid." John 14

Church Electoral Roll and Reports for APCM

If you are new to St Peter's and would like your name on the electoral roll, please complete a form. Ask Christine Gardner for more details.

Could leaders of various groups within the church please send their reports to Christine so that she can include them in the APCM booklet.

**CHURCH
CALENDAR**



Wednesday 18th February
7pm Ash Wednesday Service
 with Rev Kara and Debbie Patrick

Sunday 22nd February
10:45 Morning Worship
 with Nigel Worth

Tuesday 24th February
2-3.30pm Lent Course at Gresley
7.30-9pm “ “ “ “

Sunday 1st March
10:45 All-age Worship
 with Rev Patrick Douglas

Thursday 5th March
11:30 Funeral of Ayesha Squire
 followed by burial

Sunday 8th March
10:45 Morning Worship
 with Sean O'Toole

Sunday 15th March
10:45 Holy Communion
 with Rev Mike Firbank

Sunday 22nd March
10:45 Morning Worship
 with Nigel Worth

Sunday 29th March
10:00 Palm Sunday
 Joint Minster Service at St John's

Sunday 5th April
10:45 Easter All-age Worship
 with the Assembly Team

Cleaning Rota

Feb 22 nd	Friday HG	Whole church, including brasses
Mar 1 st	Christine G	Main body, vestry & bell tower, sweeping porch
Mar 8 th	Deb & Nige	Whole church
Mar 15 th	Jeff	Main body
“ “	Brian A	Sweeping porch
“ “	Bill	Brasses
Mar 22 nd	Brian Redfern	Main body, kitchen & N. Aisle

Reading, Intercessions and Refreshments Rota

	Reading	Intercessions	Tea/coffee
Feb 15 th	Brian	Christine	Deb W
Feb 22 nd	Emily	Friday HG	Gwen
Mar 1 st	Sandra	Nigel	James
Mar 8 th	Paul	Brian	Maxine & Jane
Mar 15 th	Jeff	Christine	Carol
Mar 22 nd	John	Friday HG	Deb W

Meet & greet/Tidying Church after the service Rota

	Meet and greet	Tidying after service
Feb 15 th	Christine T	Jean
Feb 22 nd	Carol J – Jeff	Jeff
Mar 1 st	Christine G - Sean	Emily
Mar 8 th	Christine T	Nathan
Mar 15 th	Carol J – Jeff	Jean
Mar 22 nd	Christine G - Sean	Emily

A Testimony from Corrie Ten Boom

Invited throughout the world to speak of her experiences of Ravensbrück concentration camp, Corrie shared her testimony and that of her sister.

One Sunday, at the end of a service in a church in Munich at which she had been speaking, she recognised someone. This man had been a guard at Ravensbrück and had been in charge of the bathroom. He had treated Betsie with untold cruelty when she was ill and frail. Corrie describes how setting eyes on this man brought everything back to her.

This man came up to Corrie and thanked her profusely for the message she had shared with the congregation, which had reminded him of God's forgiveness for his sins.

Corrie tells how the man wanted to shake her hand, but that she remained frozen and unable to move. However, beneath her anger, she nonetheless knew that Jesus Christ has died for this man too.

She attempted to extend her hand, but was unable to do so. At that point she prayed: "Jesus, I cannot forgive him. Give me Your forgiveness."

She tried to extend her hand again, "As I took his hand, the most incredible thing happened. From my shoulder along my arm and through my hand, a current seemed to pass from me to him, while into my heart sprang a love for this stranger that almost overwhelmed me.

"And so, I discovered that it is not on our forgiveness any more than on our goodness that the world's healing depends, but on His.

Women Without Walls: How God shapes ordinary women for extraordinary Kingdom work, written by Mary Cotes