



St Martin's Church, Welton

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Trinity 6

WELCOME!

11.00am Service of Communion

This morning we welcome Revd John Stevenson and thank him for leading our worship.

If you don't normally take communion but would like God's blessing, please come up to the altar rail holding your service booklet.

Please stay for tea or coffee after the service — we would love to chat with you.

MORNING SERVICES. All commence at 11.00am

ROTAS	23 July	30 July	06 August	13 August
Chalice	Val Hamblin	Val Hamblin	Gill Beardmore	Val Hamblin
Sidesperson	Joan Roberts	Bob Somerville	Pam Broadhead	Margaret Jones
Reader	Charles Broadhead	Margaret Jones	Charles Broadhead	Jackie Hibbert
Prayers	Vicar	Vicar	Keith Beardmore	Vicar

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### 4.00pm Afternoon Service

This afternoon Revd Canon Sarah Brown leads our worship.

#### AFTERNOON SERVICES. All commence at 4.00pm

| 23 July                                                                                                                                                                                        | 30 July                                                                         | 06 August                                                                                  | 13 August                                                                                   |
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| <b>Sunday Teatime</b>                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>No Service</b>                                                               | <b>Family Communion</b>                                                                    | <b>Evensong BCP</b>                                                                         |
| <i>A meeting of Christians of all ages around the tea table. Tea and cake accompany informal discussion, games and storytelling to link faith with everyday life. Worship a different way.</i> | <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month. There is no afternoon service today.</i> | <i>A slightly shorter communion service with lively message and delivery for all ages.</i> | <i>For those who crave the traditional language and peace of the Book of Common Prayer.</i> |

Revd. Sarah invites you to meet her personally from 3.30pm, before the afternoon service each Sunday.

## **First Reading**

### **Romans 8.12-25**

So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him. I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory about to be revealed to us. For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God; for the creation was subjected to futility, not of its own will but by the will of the one who subjected it, in hope that the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and will obtain the freedom of the glory of the children of God. We know that the whole creation has been groaning in labour pains until now; and not only the creation, but we ourselves, who have the first fruits of the Spirit, groan inwardly while we wait for adoption, the redemption of our bodies. For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience.

## **Gospel Reading**

### **Matthew 13.24-30, 36-43**

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." ' Then he left the crowds and went into the house. And his disciples approached him, saying, 'Explain to us the parable of the weeds of the field.' He answered, 'The one who sows the good seed is the Son of Man; the field is the world, and the good seed are the children of the kingdom; the weeds are the children of the evil one, and the enemy who sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are angels. Just as the weeds are collected and burned up with fire, so will it be at the end of the age. The Son of Man will send his angels, and they will collect out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers, and they will throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. Then the righteous will shine like the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Let anyone with ears listen!

### **Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July**

**There will be a PCC Meeting at 7.00pm in St Martin's.**

### **Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July - from 11.00am**

**Roslyn and Steve are hosting a coffee morning, with all the proceeds to St Martin's Church.**



**\*Raffle \* Bring & Buy \* Home-made cakes \***

**Everyone welcome at Bank Cottage, 25 Drayton Park, Daventry, NN11 8TB. Phone 01327 705010 if you need directions, or a lift.**

**If you have any news or forthcoming events: email [ros@rosirius.co.uk](mailto:ros@rosirius.co.uk). Please let me know if you would like your name adding to the email list to receive weekly pew leaflets. Thank you. Roslyn.**