

St. Peter's Church, Swettenham

**NOTICE SHEET
EVENSONG
SUNDAY 24TH APRIL 2016
5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**



A very warm welcome to the community here at St. Peter's where worship has been offered on this site since Saxon times. The present Church building has its origins in the late 13th Century and has been the place of worship for the village of Swettenham since then. If you make use of a hearing aid please switch to "T" for enhanced sound

Please ensure that mobile phones, cellular phones and pagers are switched off.

Our Hymns for today:

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN:	428 Love Divine
PSALM	148
MAGNIFICAT	631 Tell out my soul
NUNC DIMITIS	157 Faithful vigil ended
OFFICE HYMN:	35 A new commandment
OFFERTORY HYMN:	88 Brother sister let me serve you
RECESSIONAL HYMN:	638 The Day thou gavest

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: grant that, as by your grace going before us you put into our minds good desires, so by your continual help we may bring them to good effect; through Jesus Christ our risen Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON Acts 11.1-18

And the apostles and brethren that were in Judaea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God. And when Peter was come up to Jerusalem, they that were of the circumcision contended with him, Saying, Thou wentest in to men uncircumcised, and didst eat with them. But Peter

rehearsed the matter from the beginning, and expounded it by order unto them, saying, I was in the city of Joppa praying: and in a trance I saw a vision, A certain vessel descend, as it had been a great sheet, let down from heaven by four corners; and it came even to me: Upon the which when I had fastened mine eyes, I considered, and saw fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air. And I heard a voice saying unto me, Arise, Peter; slay and eat. But I said, Not so, Lord: for nothing common or unclean hath at any time entered into my mouth. But the voice answered me again from heaven, What God hath cleansed, that call not thou common. And this was done three times: and all were drawn up again into heaven. And, behold, immediately there were three men already come unto the house where I was, sent from Caesarea unto me. And the Spirit bade me go with them, nothing doubting.

Moreover these six brethren accompanied me, and we entered into the man's house: And he shewed us how he had seen an angel in his house, which stood and said unto him, Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter; Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved. And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning. Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost. Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God? When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life. For our comely parts have no need: but God hath tempered the body together, having given more abundant honour to that part which lacked.

That there should be no schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another. And whether one member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it. Now ye are the body of Christ, and members in particular. And God hath set some in the church, first apostles, secondarily prophets, thirdly teachers, after that miracles, then gifts of healings, helps, governments, diversities of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Are all workers of miracles? Have all the gifts of healing? Do all speak with

tongues? Do all interpret? But covet earnestly the best gifts: and yet shew I unto you a more excellent way.

SECOND LESSON John 13.31-35

Therefore, when he was gone out, Jesus said, now is the Son of man glorified, and God is glorified in him. If God be glorified in him, God shall also glorify him in himself, and shall straightway glorify him. Little children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye shall seek me: and as I said unto the Jews, Whither I go, ye cannot come; so now I say to you.

A new commandment I give unto you, that ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another. By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another.

ADDRESS Revd Pamela Soult

Next Week at St. Peter's
11.15 am Holy Communion



We would like to organise a rota for people who would be willing to read at our Services. Please speak to Ian or Pamela for further details. Thank you



**THE STORE-
HOUSE
FOODBANK
CONGLETON**

We are still collecting items to give to The Storehouse Foodbank in Congleton for those in need. If you could supply any non perishable food items: tins, pasta, biscuits etc. toiletries and household items such as washing powder/fabric conditioner it would be very much appreciated.

The green box is in the front pew by the font for you to place your donations. It will be taken to the Storehouse on a regular basis depending upon amount received. Thank you for your continued support for families in need.

Rogation Service

Sunday 5th June at 11.15 am



Followed by lunch at
The Fields Farm, Kermincham
Further details to follow

WILDLIFE GARDEN OPEN DAY

THE BEAUTIFUL GARDEN OF
MR & MRS FODEN WILL BE OPEN ON
MONDAY 30TH MAY
AT ROWLEY HOUSE, FORTY ACRE LANE
KERMINCHAM

CAKE STALL IN AID OF ST. PETER'S CHURCH



Songs of Praise



Service

Sunday
29th May
6.30pm

A list is on the
noticeboard for
you to write
your hymn choice.

Petertide Festival

Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd July
St. Peter's Church, Swettenham
Exhibition of



Christening Gowns
through the years
together with photos



Saturday 2nd July



7.30pm



Concert with
The Kingsfield Singers