

# St. Peter's Church, Swettenham

NOTICE SHEET

EVENSONG

23<sup>RD</sup> AUGUST 2015

12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



*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 13<sup>th</sup> Century and has been the place of worship for the village of Swettenham since then. An induction loop system operates here. 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:	424 The first day
PSALM	84
THE GRADUAL HYMN:	179 God of mercy
OFFERTORY HYMN:	224 Lead us heavenly
RESCENSIONAL HYMN:	16 The day thou gavest

## **THE COLLECT**

Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray and to give more than either we desire or deserve: pour down upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid and giving us those good things which we are not worthy to ask but through the merits and mediation of 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. **Amen.**

**First Lesson: 1 Kings 8. 22 – 30, 41 - 43**

And Solomon stood before the altar of the Lord in the presence of all the congregation of Israel, and spread forth his hands toward heaven: And he said, Lord God of Israel, there is no God like thee, in heaven above, or on earth beneath, who keepest covenant and mercy with thy servants that walk before thee with all their heart: Who hast kept with thy servant David my

father that thou promisedst him: thou spakest also with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it with thine hand, as it is this day. Therefore now, Lord God of Israel, keep with thy servant David my father that thou promisedst him, saying, There shall not fail thee a man in my sight to sit on the throne of Israel; so that thy children take heed to their way, that they walk before me as thou hast walked before me. And now, O God of Israel, let thy word, I pray thee, be verified, which thou spakest unto thy servant David my father. But will God indeed dwell on the earth? behold, the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain thee; how much less this house that I have builded? Yet have thou respect unto the prayer of thy servant, and to his supplication, O Lord my God, to hearken unto the cry and to the prayer, which thy servant prayeth before thee to day:

That thine eyes may be open toward this house night and day, even toward the place of which thou hast said, My name shall be there: that thou mayest hearken unto the prayer which thy servant shall make toward this place. And hearken thou to the supplication of thy servant, and of thy people Israel, when they shall pray toward this place: and hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place: and when thou hearest, forgive. Moreover concerning a stranger, that is not of thy people Israel, but cometh out of a far country for thy name's sake; (For they shall hear of thy great name, and of thy strong hand, and of thy stretched out arm;) when he shall come and pray toward this house; Hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place, and do according to all that the stranger calleth to thee for: that all people of the earth may know thy name, to fear thee, as do thy people Israel; and that they may know that this house, which I have builded, is called by thy name.

## **Second Lesson            John 6. 56 - 69**

He that eateth my flesh, and drinketh my blood, dwelleth in me, and I in him. As the living Father hath sent me, and I live by the Father: so he that eateth me, even he shall live by me. This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread shall live for ever. These things said he in the synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum. Many therefore of his disciples, when they had heard this, said, this is an hard saying; who can hear it? When Jesus knew in himself that his disciples murmured at it, he said unto them, doth this offend you? What and if ye shall see the Son of man ascend up where he

was before? It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life. But there are some of you that believe not. For Jesus knew from the beginning who they were that believed not, and who should betray him. And he said, therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father. From that time many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him. Then said Jesus unto the twelve, Will ye also go away? Then Simon Peter answered him, Lord, to whom shall we go? thou hast the words of eternal life. And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ, the Son of the living God.

**ADDRESS**      Revd Pamela Soult

### **Next Week at St. Peter's**

Summer Songs of Praise

6.30pm



## **Swettenham Horticultural Show**

**Saturday September 5th  
at the Swettenham Club**

**Entries to be staged by  
2.00pm on the day,  
schedules  
available from the Club or  
contact Gordon Andow  
01477 571236.**

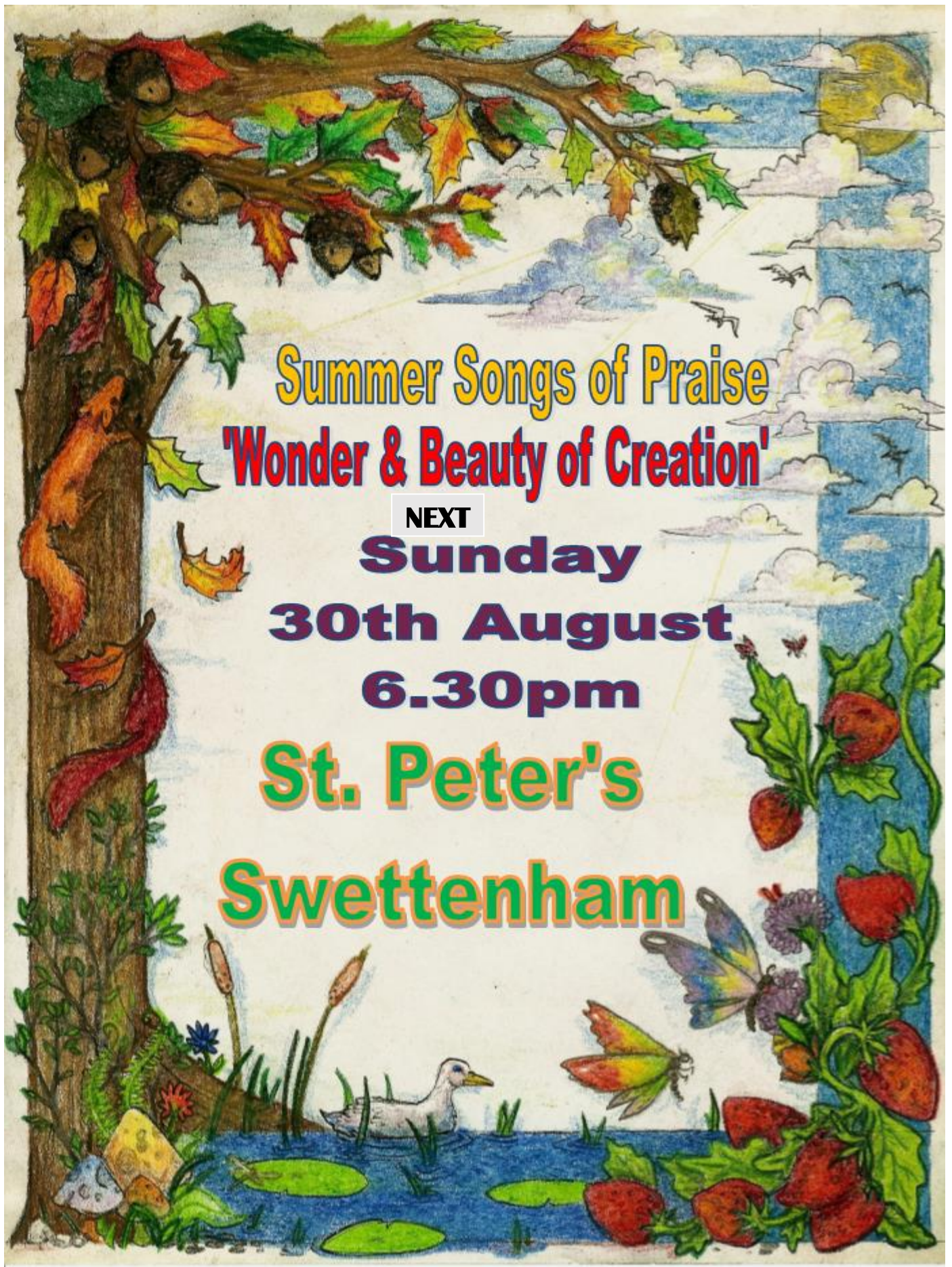
**Auction of produce 8.00pm  
at the Club - proceeds to  
the Club &  
St. Peter's Church**



### **Summer Songs of Praise**

There is a list on the noticeboard in the porch for you to write the hymn of your choice for next Sundays Songs of Praise.

The theme for hymns to be chosen is Wonder & Beauty of Creation.



**Summer Songs of Praise**  
**'Wonder & Beauty of Creation'**

**NEXT**

**Sunday**  
**30th August**  
**6.30pm**

**St. Peter's**  
**Swettenham**

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