

St. Peter's Church, Swettenham



**NOTICE SHEET
8TH FEBRUARY 2015
EVENSONG & HOLY COMMUNION
2ND SUNDAY BEFORE LENT
QUINQUAGESIMA**

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.

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.

There will be a collection taken during the Offertory Hymn for the Ministry, Mission and upkeep of this beautiful Church building that costs £2,417 month to maintain. Please use one of the Gift Aid envelopes in the pews as this adds 25% to the value of your offering, thank you.

Our Hymns for today:

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 214 Guide me O thou great redeemer

PSALM: 104 verses 26 - 37

OFFICE HYMN: 125 O for a thousand tongues to sing

OFFERTORY HYMN: 247 I heard the voice of Jesus say

RESCESIONAL HYMN: 131 Love Divines

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, you have created the heavens and the earth and made us in your own image: teach us to discern your hand in all your works and your likeness in all your children; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things, now and for ever.
Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT (HEBREW BIBLE): Proverbs 8.1, 22-31

Doth not wisdom cry? and understanding put forth her voice? The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. When there were no depths, I was brought forth; when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth:

While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world. When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth: When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep: When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth: Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him; Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Colossians 1.15-20

Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist. And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell; And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

GOSPEL John 1.1-14

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him; and without him was not anything made that was made. In him was life; and the life was the light of men. And the light shineth in darkness; and the darkness comprehended it not. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

He was in the world, and the world was made by him, and the world knew him not. He came unto his own, and his own received him not. But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name: Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word was made flesh, and

dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.

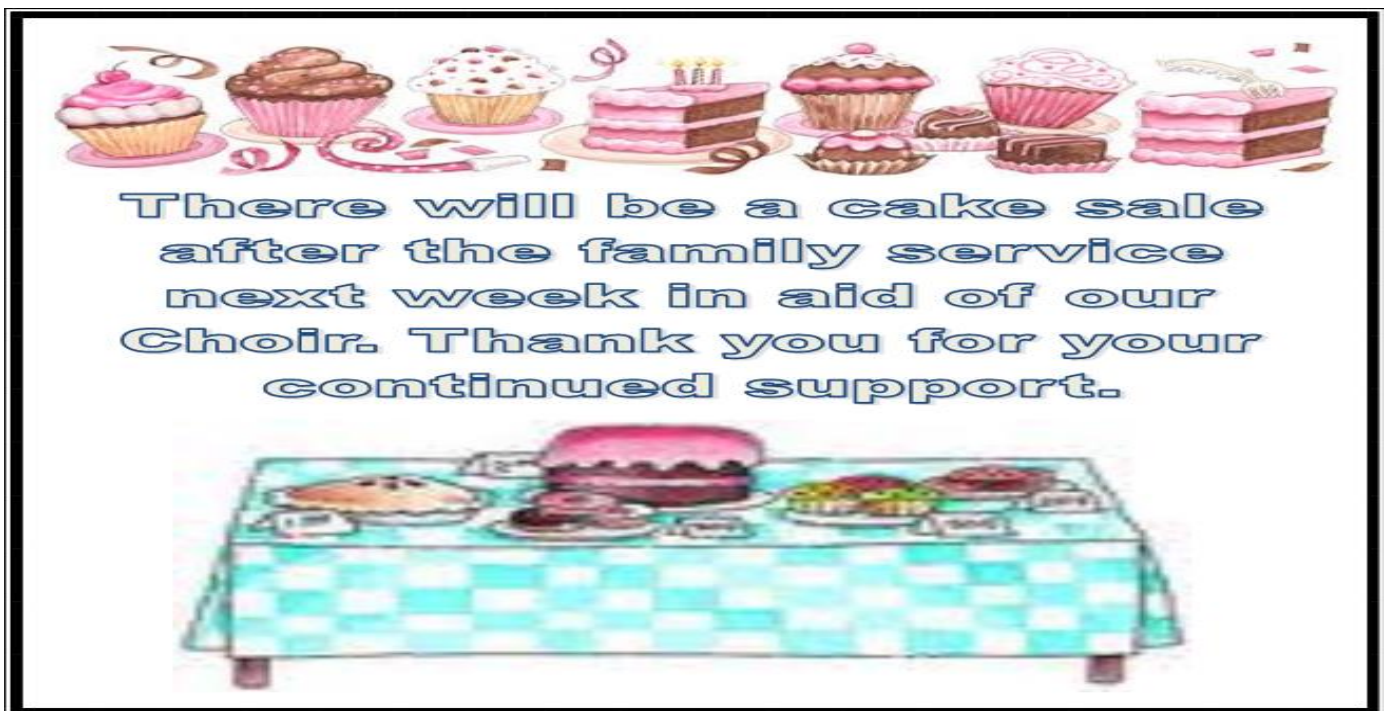
ADDRESS Revd Ian Godfrey

POST COMMUNION


God our creator, by your gift the tree of life was set at the heart of the earthly paradise, and the bread of life at the heart of your Church: may we who have been nourished at your table on earth be transformed by the glory of the Saviour's cross and enjoy the delights of eternity; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Next Week at St. Peter's

11.15AM FAMILY SERVICE - HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)



**The Swettenham Club**
Lunch + Pancakes
SHROVE TUESDAY
Tuesday 17th February
12noon - 6.00pm
**Plougmans lunch,
soup & pancakes
available**
All Welcome!

**THE STOREHOUSE**
FOODBANK
CONGLETON

We will be 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 support for families in need.



1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
<p>11.15am Holy Communion (BCP)</p>	<p>6.30pm Evensong & Holy Communion (BCP)</p>	<p>11.15am Family Service</p>	<p>6.30pm Evensong (BCP)</p>	<p>*11.15am Holy Communion (BCP) or *6.30pm Songs of Praise</p>

(BCP) Traditional Book of Common Prayer

* Please contact the Vicar 01477 532109 for confirmation of the Service for the 5th Sunday of the month as this service changes in time and liturgy according to seasons.