

St. Peter's Church, Swettenham



**NOTICE SHEET
22ND FEBRUARY 2015**

**EVENSONG
1ST SUNDAY OF LENT**

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.

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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: 56 Forty days & forty nights
PSALM 25:1-10
OFFICE HYMN: 217 Be thou my guardian
OFFERTORY HYMN: 138 We sing the praise of him who died
RESCENSIONAL HYMN: 235 O Jesus I have promised

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; through 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.

OLD TESTAMENT (HEBREW BIBLE): Genesis 9: 8 – 17

And God spake unto Noah, and to his sons with him, saying, And I, behold, I establish my covenant with you, and with your seed after you; And with every living creature that is with you, of the fowl, of the cattle, and of every beast of

the earth with you; from all that go out of the ark, to every beast of the earth. .And I will establish my covenant with you, neither shall all flesh be cut off any more by the waters of a flood; neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth. And God said, This is the token of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations: I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth. And it shall come to pass, when I bring a cloud over the earth, that the bow shall be seen in the cloud: and I will remember my covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh. And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that I may remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is upon the earth. And God said unto Noah, This is the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth.

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

1 Peter 3:18-22

For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh, but quickened by the Spirit: By which also he went and preached unto the spirits in prison; Which sometime were disobedient, when once the longsuffering of God waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was a preparing, wherein few, that is, eight souls were saved by water. he like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now save us (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God,) by the resurrection of Jesus Christ: Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right hand of God; angels and authorities and powers being made subject unto him.

GOSPEL Mark 1: 9 - 15

And it came to pass in those days, that Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and was baptized of John in Jordan. And straightway coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and the Spirit like a dove descending upon him: And there came a voice from heaven, saying, Thou art my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. And immediately the spirit driveth him into the wilderness. And he was there in the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan; and was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered unto him. Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of the kingdom of God, and saying, the time is fulfilled, and the Kingdom of God

is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel.

ADDRESS Revd Ian Godfrey

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Next Week at St. Peter's

11.15AM HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)



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.

*Donations towards the
Easter Lilies would be
appreciated and
can be given to
Mrs Dorothy Smith
Thank you*



ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll is being revised next month. If you would like to be on the Electoral Roll, please collect a form from Sheila Bennett (Tel: 01477 571401) and return to her.



**Family Service
Mothering Sunday
March 15th
11.15am**



The Lent Lunches will be held at Goostrey Methodist Hall on Saturday March 21st & Saturday March 28th both at 12noon- 1pm.

Donations raised will be given to Save the Children Ebola Campaign.



**Monthly Services
at St. Peter's**

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

*Please contact the Vicar 01477 532109 for the 5th service of the month as this varies according to times & seasons.

For more information on St. Peter's Church, please go to the website www.stpeterswettenham.org.uk

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