St. Peter's Church, Swettenham

NOTICE SHEET EVENSONG & HOLY COMMUNION SUNDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER 2014 HOLY CROSS DAY



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 it origins in the late 13th Century and has been the place of worship for the village of Swettenham since then.

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

Our Hymns for today:

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 210 Oft in danger

PSALM 22 23-28

THE GRADUAL HYMN: 295 I vow to thee my country

OFFERTORY HYMN: 170 The Church's one foundation

RESCESIONAL HYMN: 294 And did those feet

THE COLLECT

O God, who by the passion of thy blessed Son hast made the instrument of shameful death to be unto us the means of life and peace: Grant us so to glory in the Cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss; for the sake of the same thy Son our Lord. **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT (HEBREW) READING Numbers 21.4-9

From Mount Hor they set out by the way to the Red Sea, to go around the land of Edom; but the people became impatient on the way. The people spoke against God and against Moses, 'Why have you brought us up out of Egypt to die in the wilderness? For there is no food and no water, and we detest this miserable food.' Then the Lord sent poisonous serpents among the people, and they bit the people, so that many Israelites died. The people came to Moses and said, 'We have sinned by speaking against the Lord and against you; pray to the Lord to take away the serpents from us.' So Moses prayed for the people. And the Lord said to Moses, 'Make a poisonous serpent, and set it on a pole; and everyone who is bitten shall look at it and

live.' So Moses made a serpent of bronze, and put it upon a pole; and whenever a serpent bit someone, that person would look at the serpent of bronze and live.

NEW TESTAMENT READING: Philippians 2.6-11

Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God: But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and was made in the likeness of men: And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross. Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name: That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

GOSPEL John 3.13-17

No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 'For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. 'Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

ADDRESS Revd Pamela Soult

POST COMMUNION

Faithful God, whose Son bore our sins in his body on the tree and gave us this sacrament to show forth his death until he comes: give us grace to glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, for he is our salvation, our life and our hope, who reigns as Lord, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Next Week at St. Peter's

11.15AM HARVEST FESTIVAL FAMILY COMMUNION SERVICE 6.30PM HARVEST EVENSONG

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The RSPB Macclesfield Local Group
Wildlife and Outdoor World Extravaganza

'WOW'

Sunday 14 September 2014 10 am – 5 pm

Pikelow Farm, Marton, SK11 9HD



A family funday with exhibits, craft stalls, demonstrations, competitions and activities for children, all with a wildlife or rural theme

Ticket prices on the day Adult: £6 Under 16s: £3 Children under 5 years: FREE www.macclesfieldrspb.org.uk

Pre-Event Tickets available at 2011 prices until 8 September 2014 Adult: £4 Under 16s: £2 Children under 5 years: FREE email wow@macclesfieldrspb.org.uk fordetails The next meeting of the PCC will take place on Tuesday 23rd September 2014 8.00pm at Dragons Cave, Swettenham



The next Cake Sale will be after the Harvest Festival Service next Sunday at 11.15am in support of St. Peter's Choir.



Thank you for your continued support!



Day Retreat at Northwood Christian Centre, High Legh, Knutsford

On Saturday 18th October

The day will be led by
Bishop Edward Holland
retired Assistant Bishop
of Europe & Bishop of Bradwell

Further details to follow

pilgrim

A COURSE FOR THE CHRISTIAN JOURNEY

Commencing also in October will be the new Pilgrim Course for Christians and those new to faith, it is designed to help people find out about Christian Faith and experience the life of a Christian Community.

The first of these courses will run for 6 weeks and deals with the question of "what do Christians believe"?

Further details to follow shortly.

