



Wellsprings Benefice Newsletter

Hello!

My family and friends are precious, and I always enjoy a good chat... so when the two combine like this week, it is especially good! Today's newsletter includes a thank you note from your previous Administrator, Sarah Leckie, who I'm sure many of you have enjoyed catching up with from time to time and details of a new 'Evening Home Group', the perfect opportunity to 'socialise and explore faith together'. Have a lovely weekend.

Best wishes,

Gill Murray

Wellsprings Benefice Administrator

Evening Home Group for working Adults

Are you interested in joining a home group that meets in the evening, for people who work during the day, to pray, socialise, and explore faith together? There are at least four people interested in attending one. If you'd like to join them, let Gerry know on rev@gerrylynch.co.uk or 07521 440 622.

Confirmation Classes

Recently, at Salisbury Cathedral, Dan King from Worton was confirmed, which he described as "the continuation of a journey" of faith. We have at least one person in the Benefice aiming to be confirmed at the next Salisbury Cathedral confirmation on 31 October. We will therefore be running confirmation classes over the summer and/or early autumn.

If you would like to be confirmed, or would just like to chat about what confirmation involves, please contact me on rev@gerrylynch.co.uk or 07521 440 622. You can't be confirmed twice, but if you were confirmed when you were younger but have lapsed from Christian practice, you can renew your original confirmation vows - please contact me if you would be interested in that.

The Open the Book Team in Potterne and Worton needs your help please!

Open the Book (OtB) is an exciting storytelling project where Bible stories are shared with children in a way that is fun, interactive and memorable. As invited guests in school, storytelling teams prepare and present a 10–15-minute scripted Bible story to a school assembly, involving the children as much as possible

We attend Five Lanes School assembly on a Friday morning every fortnight in term time to narrate and enact a story from the Bible. When we started (about 15 years ago) there was a Potterne team and a Worton team, each with 5 or 6 members. We now have a joint team and number just four members. We are looking to increase our team, so if you would like to know more about this valuable outreach role, please have a chat with Jean Lane at Christ Church, Worton or Jackie Sawyer at St Mary's, Potterne.

Jean Lane: phone: 01380 722069, email - joje@talktalk.net

Jackie Sawyer: phone: 07810 132936, email - jackiesawyer50@gmail.com

Help at the Pop Up Youth Week

Steve Dewar (Youth for Christ) has got in touch to ask if anyone would like to join to other people from local parishes, to create a warm welcome and hospitality, for the Pop-Up Youth week at The Little Green, Devizes this summer. Monday 3rd August til Friday 7th August 2pm-6pm. Email: steve@wiltshireyfc.org.uk

Photo Talk on Kyrgyzstan

By popular demand, Gerry is giving another performance of his highly regarded photo talk on Kyrgyzstan. This one will take place in the Irene Usher Memorial Pavillion, SN12 6NS, at 7 pm on Friday 16 October.

Thank you from Sarah

Hi all,

Thank you for all the kind messages and good wishes for my retirement. I really appreciate them all.

This morning I received a fantastic gift from all in the Benefice. I am genuinely blown away by your generosity - thank you so much. I really did not expect such an extraordinary gift. I am planning on spending it on some furniture for my garden so I can sit and enjoy it (once I've tidied it up!)

I am thoroughly enjoying having lots of time to catch up with friends and hobbies, although the heatwave has somewhat curtailed my plans to sort out the garden this summer! Plenty of time for that later though.

Best wishes to you all and many thanks again.

Sarah

Upcoming services

This Sunday 19th July (Trinity 7)

8am	Communion (BCP)	Potterne
9.30am	Morning Praise	Bulkington
9.30am	Communion	Worton
11am	Morning Praise	Potterne
11am	Communion	Seend
4pm	Evensong (BCP)	Poulshot

Next Sunday 26th July (Trinity 8)

9.30am	Communion (BCP)	Poulshot
9.30am	Morning Praise	Worton
11am	Communion	Bulkington
11am	Communion	Potterne
6pm	Evensong (BCP)	Seend

5pm Wednesday 29th July Celtic Service Poulshot

Every Tuesday, 9am Said Matins at Poulshot

Churches are open for private prayer during the week.

Best wishes and every blessing from all of the Ministry team

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