

Sunday 19th October, 2025

10.30 a.m. - Rev. Vicki Atkinson

- communion

4.0 p.m. - Zoom

Monday 20th October, 2025

9.30 - 11.30 a.m. - **CHATTERBOX**

Wednesday 22nd October, 2025

7.45 a.m. - Prayer meeting by Zoom

Wednesday 22nd October, 2025

10.0 a.m. **Jack in a Box** - a fun time for pre-school children and their parents or guardians
Jack is collecting items for the Forge. Details in the JnB newsletter and on the notice boards in the Schoolroom and Guild Room

Wednesday 22nd October, 2025

2.30 p.m. - House group

at the home of Joan and Keith Topham

Wednesday 22nd October, 2025

7.0 p.m. - Church Council

Friday 24th October, 2025

2.0 p.m. - Wesley Knitters

Friday 24th October, 2025

6.0 p.m. for 6.30 p.m. **Pea and Pie supper**
£9 per person - Please book with Glenise

Sunday 26th October, 2025

Clocks go back one hour

10.30 a.m. - Mrs Kate Ellis -

Contemporary Worship

4.0 p.m. - Mrs Val Hackney

Scunthorpe and District Choral Society

Gospel Mass by Robert Ray + spirituals

Conductor - Susan Hollingworth

Professional soloists and musicians

Saturday 22nd November 2025

7.30 - 9.30 p.m.

St Paul's Church, Ashby

£15 adults, children & students £5



All commitments require sacrifice and hardship. - Adrien Brody

Nativity Pantomime

Plans are afoot to present a Nativity Pantomime at Wesley on Saturday 3rd January. If you would like to take part or can support with costume making, props or scenery please see Dave or Margaret Chennells or sign up on the board in the schoolroom as soon as possible. Please pass on to anyone in the community you think might be interested.

Saturday 8th November 2025 - 11.15 a.m.

Recital - Isle Choral Singers

at Wesley Memorial Church, Epworth

Musical director - Robert Steadman

Accompanist - Maurice Davies

Admission free; donations for Church Fabric fund

Saturday 13th December 2025 - 2.30 p.m.

Joyous Christmas

An afternoon of festive music - Isle Choral Singers

at St Andrew's Church, Epworth

Tickets £8



If you never know hardship, you can't really support people around you. - Natalia Vodianova

CELEBRATION CONCERT

with local performers to mark the donation of a new **Yamaha Grand Piano**
Music to include Chopin, Strauss, Tchaikovsky and much more

SATURDAY 29th NOVEMBER AT 2.30 p.m.

Tickets **£8** (to include refreshments) from

John Lambert 07485 105100

Caroline Clemmow 01673 818334

Ray Bramall 01427 872513

Or at the door as available

All proceeds to The Fabric Fund

Duty

In today's lectionary, Timothy is told he should "discharge the duties of his ministry." Is it hard to fulfil the duties of our ministry? The Roman philosopher Seneca (*Letters 120.10*) says "I am no longer good through deliberate intent, but by long habit have reached a point where I am not only able to do right, but am unable to do anything but what is right." (Seneca, *Letters 120.10*) Steady application to fulfilling his duty has rendered him incapable of not doing right.

Wordsworth, in his Ode to Duty is grateful for the demands his duty makes upon him:

"Stern Daughter of the Voice of God!

O Duty! if that name thou love

Who art a light to guide, a rod

To check the erring, and reprove;

Thou, who art victory and law

When empty terrors overawe;

From vain temptations dost set free;

And calm'st the weary strife of frail humanity!"

Duty gives us a path to follow, and by giving us a map of what our conduct should be, provides us with a guide for our way through life.

But you, keep your head in
all situations, endure
hardship, do the work of an
evangelist,
discharge all the duties of
your ministry.

2 Timothy ch. 4 v. 5 (NIV)



There is no success without hardship.
Sophocles

Just as we are, your servants here,
Sure of your loving presence near,
Offering all our hearts hold dear,
Accepting Lord, we come.

Just as we are, with all our pain,
Deeply-felt wrongs which long remain,
Chances we know won't come again,
Forgiving Lord, we come.

Just as we are, you made us so,
Plain earthen pots no beauty show,
Yet deep within your treasures glow,
Affirming Lord, we come.

Just as we are, we come to you,
Trusting your promise ever true,
"See, I am making all things new!"
Renewing Lord, we come.

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	Our Church Prayer chain is now using WhatsApp, which is totally encrypted, adding to our security and privacy policy. If you have a prayer request (with permission from the recipient) or wish to know more about becoming part of the Prayer Group, please contact Pauline - 01427 875478 or Pat - 0777 649027 in the first instance.



The pine stays green in winter...
wisdom in hardship.
Norman Douglas



Wesley Memorial
Church, Epworth

Notices for the week commencing

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