

Saturday 14th June 2025

10.0 a.m. - Coffee morning

11.15 a.m. - Recital - 'Cello & co. - classical, rock, folk and more.

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7.0 p.m. - at Haxey Methodist Church

Concert by **Salvation Army Band and Songsters**

Tickets, £7, or at the door. - includes cake and tea

Sunday 15th June 2025

10.30 a.m. - Mr Timothy Smith

4.0 p.m. - Zoom

Monday 16th June, 2025

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

Wednesday 18th June, 2025

7.45 a.m. - Prayers meeting by Zoom

Wednesday 18th June, 2025

9.30 a.m. Any volunteers for garden and grounds tidy.

Please come if you can. Tea makers and encouragers also welcome

Wednesday 18th June, 2025

10.0 a.m. - **Jack in a Box** A fun time for pre-school children and carers

Wednesday 18th June, 2025

2.30 p.m. - Bible study at the home of Joan and Keith Topham

Sunday 22nd June 2025

10.30 a.m. - Mr. David Chennells

- **Contemporary Worship**

4.0 p.m. - Mrs Val. Hackney

Tuesday 1st July 2025 - 10.30 a.m.

Action for Children Annual Sponsored walk, starting and ending at church, with a break for a sandwich lunch (provided). Additional walkers are invited. We are also very grateful for all sponsors of this important charity.

Details of how to join the walk or how to sponsor from Joan Topham

It is with regret that we announce the death of our friend Di Dudley, who with her late husband Terry, was a member at Wesley for many years. We express our sympathy to all members of her family, and uphold them in our prayers. Funeral details will be announced in church, or may be had from Pat Fincham or one of the stewards.

In a Primitive Physick Garden

Caroline Clemmow and Susan Hollingworth

Saturday 28th June,

Performances at **3.0 p.m.** and **7.0 p.m.**

Tickets, £12, from the Old Rectory limited to 40 per performance, include a concert, a guided tour of the Physick garden and refreshments, all at the Old Rectory. See handbills available in church

District Safeguarding Fortnight

I have put on the safeguarding notice board in the school-room details of this and of the District Safeguarding Conference, with details of how to book on any of the events.

During the fortnight, District offers four sessions of Unconscious Bias Training, all by Zoom.

Friday 4 July 10.00 - 11.30

Thurs. 10 July 10.00 - 11.30

Thurs. 10 July 14.00 - 15.30

Thurs. 10 July 19.00 - 20.30

Unconscious Bias Training is mandatory (just once) for many office holders, including church stewards, pastoral workers, children, youth and family workers and worship leaders. Many of us attended the training led by Debbie in January, but just a few did not. Now's your chance! Andrew

Raised beds

There has been some progress with the raised beds. The small one has been planted up. The herb garden has mint, marjoram, rosemary and lemon balm growing well. Please help yourself. The large bed is almost completely dug over. If you can donate any plants they would be much appreciated, as would help with planting and maintenance. Thanks. *Tish*

Fathers

Besides being Trinity Sunday, today is also marked as Fathers' Day, an American invention imported into Britain and enthusiastically taken up here. In my childhood it did not yet feature in British life, and few then would make a point of thanking their father for his care.

My own father was a very taciturn man. He thought a lot but said little. While he was growing up his own father was undergoing the privations of the Somme area of France, protecting his family at a distance from behind a machine gun in the trenches of the great war. He never spoke about it, and who could blame him for that?

I wonder what Dad would have made of our modern take on Fathers' Day? I imagine he much more appreciated being able to follow my grandfather into the workshop where each of them gained respect and appreciation from workmates and bosses for skills they shared and for their dedication to the trade they followed. My brother later followed them both in the same workshop, and took equal pride in his work. He also enjoyed hearing the stories and memories of workmates who had known Dad and Granddad as they praised their work and skill.

When Jesus was a boy he once became separated from his parents while returning from the annual visit to the Temple in Jerusalem. He said to them, "Didn't you realize that I had to be doing my father's work?" They had found him in deep discussion with the bible scholars in the Temple - not the kind of thing we'd expect a young lad to be doing.

Fathers' Day this year coincides with Trinity Sunday, when we are reminded that we are stronger if united together. Think of the verse from Ecclesiastes ch. 4 v 12:

Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves.


A cord of three strands is not quickly broken. NIV

If we just align ourselves with these three - Father, Son and Holy Spirit - we'll not be broken, and we shall find ourselves given the power needed as we go about our Father's business.

Since we are justified by
faith, we have peace with
God through our Lord
Jesus Christ,

Romans 5: v.1 (NIV)

“ Do you not realize that the love the Father
bestowed on the perfect Christ He now
bestows on you? - Charles Spurgeon

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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.

Trinity Sunday

Lord, who hast formed me out of mud,
And hast redeemed me through thy blood,
And sanctified me to do good;

Purge all my sins done heretofore:
For I confess my heavy score,
And I will strive to sin no more.

Enrich my heart, mouth, hands in me,
With faith, with hope, with charity;
That I may run, rise, rest with thee.

George Herbert (1593 – 1633)

This is a clever little poem!

'Trinity' is about 'three'.

How many verses are here? Three!

How many lines to each verse? Three!

How many different rhymes? Three!

Verse one - invocation of God the creator.

Verse two - Jesus, who saves from our sin.

*Verse three - Spirit gives us life, enriching us
with the three-part gifts of the Spirit.*

“ “ One father is more than a hundred
schoolmasters. - George Herbert
“ It is a wise father that knows his own child.
- William Shakespeare

“ I cannot think of any need in childhood
as strong as the need for a father's pro-
tection. - Sigmund Freud



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Notices for the week commencing

Sunday 15th June, 2025



Trinity Sunday

“ I believe in God, and I believe in Jesus Christ, his incar-
nation. Jesus is my teacher and my pastor, but God, the
Father, Abba, is the light and the Creator. This is my
Being. - Pope Francis