

# Welcome to the Lordsbridge Team Monthly Newsletter February 2025



'Jesus spoke to them, saying, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

John 8:12 (NRSV)

# Worship with us across the Team

Details of <u>services</u> across the team, as well as our worship at home resources, are available each week on our website.

Our Sunday Zoom Church meets every week at 11.00am at the following link: <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82311473640">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82311473640</a>. The service sheet is available on the website. Everyone is welcome.

# **Events**

### **Team Council AGM**



The Team Council AGM will take place on Wednesday 26th February, 7.30pm at The Cabin, Hardwick. This meeting is open to everyone who lives in the parishes in the Team area. Please come along and hear news from across the parishes in the Team, as well as to hear about the work done centrally to help support and enable the mission and ministry of the parishes.

#### Quiet morning 8th February 2025

Members of the Cambs Prayer team will be holding a quiet morning at:

### St Mary's Church Sawston CB22 3JR Saturday 8th February 9.15 am - 12.00 pm.

It will be a time to listen to God and be in God's presence. This will include a meditation, different ways of praying and times for silent reflection.

As there is a charge for heating the church we would be grateful for a donation on the day for the morning which runs from 9.15-12.00 with refreshments provided.

If you are interested, please email cambsprayer@gmail.com to book a place.

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# **Leading your Church into Growth**



Be Inspired

to lead your church(es) to grow in spirituality, in mission and in number

Be Encouraged

to grow in your own way, at your own pace, and with God's help

Be Equipped

to develop a straightforward and workable strategy





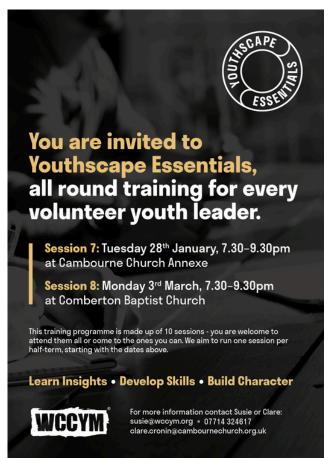
Leading your Church into Growth (LyCiG) is for clergy and lay leaders from across church traditions who are looking for encouragement and equipping in leading their churches into growth.

The LyCiG Ely Diocese conference is taking place over the weekend of 15 & 16 March 2025. The conference is much more effective if there is more than one person from a benefice attending. It means that these people can make plans and decide next steps. To support this, the cost of the conference is being covered by the diocese.

If you would be interested in attending this conference, please speak to your Team Vicar. Several people from across the Team are already planning to attend, so arranging lifts will be possible



lasting one hour



### **WCCYM Weekend**

A highlight of the WCCYM year - the WCCYM weekend returns! 48hrs of intense fun, faithfilled conversations and gunge!

Running from Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd March, we will be heading to Burwell House once again. This will be for anyone in school years 7 to 13 and will be a great opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a deeper way, or even exploring it for the first time.

To find out more, please contact Susie at susie@wccym.org.



# **News**

## **Rev'd Howard Bigg**

This month Rev'd Howard Bigg will be leaving St Mary's, Hardwick after serving the church for many years, as he moves away from the Team.

To say goodbye to Howard, St Mary's will be hosting a **Farewell Afternoon Tea at the Cabin, on Sunday 9th February, 4.00-6.00pm**.

Everyone is most welcome!

We join with St Mary's and the wider Team to thank Howard very much for his many years of service to the church and wish him every blessing in his new home.



# Spotlight on... Comberton and Toft

Comberton and Toft parishes are currently in vacancy (awaiting a new Team Rector), but that doesn't mean that they've stopped doing things - quite the opposite! Alongside their regular services, here we spotlight three other activities that take place in these parishes.

Please continue to hold the parishes in your prayers during this time of vacancy, and particularly the ministry teams and volunteers that continue to keep them running so smoothly.



#### Comberton Men's Shed

Comberton Men's Shed meets at Madingley Hall each Wednesday from 11am-1pm for tea, chat and DIY projects. Either bring your own or join in with ongoing community projects. So far we have mended gates, topped posts, built bird boxes, created props and carved signs. It is a friendly group of mostly older men who exchange ideas and share stories while pottering in a community shed.

All are welcome, contact <u>Rev'd Barnabas</u> for more details.

#### **Toft Warm Hub**

Toft Warm Hub has been running for a few years between the clock changes to provide a warm space to socialise in the colder months. We meet in the Methodist Chapel in Toft, Mondays from 10am-12pm, and there is always a jigsaw puzzle going and/or a game of scrabble to join! Free refreshments and lots of friendly chat with Toft residents and visitors alike.





#### **Oasis Teas**

Oasis Teas meets in Comberton
Village Hall on the fourth Thursday
of each month, next one is February
27th at 2.30pm. Time for tea, chat,
an optional quiz and a guest speaker
on a thought-provoking topic. No
charge and you're guaranteed to
make new friends!

# **Contact Us**

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