The Combs and Finborough News Sheet

Buxhall, Combs, Gt and Lt Finborough, Harleston, Onehouse and Shelland

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As we keep in touch, pray and support each other

19th October 2025: The Feast of Luke the Evangelist

Church Services Today:

9.30 am	Holy Communion	Harleston
11.00 am	Family Communion	Combs

3.00pm Healing & Wholeness Service Great Finborough
6.00 pm Choral Evensong with Buxhall Choir Little Finborough

Forthcoming Events



19th **October** – A Service of Healing and Wholeness, 3pm at Great Finborough church

23rd October – Great Finborough PCC, 7pm at Great Finborough church 27th October – Rural Coffee Caravan, 2pm to 4pm, at the Village Hall, Buxhall

2nd **November** – All Souls' service, 6pm at Great Finborough church

3rd November – Little Finborough PCC, 7.30pm at Combs Rectory

4th November – Onehouse PCC, 7.30pm at Trinity Hall, Onehouse

10th **November** – Buxhall PCC, 7.30pm at Combs Rectory

15th November – Buxhall Tea Room, 12pm to 3pm, at the Village Hall, Buxhall

Meet Up Mondays in Church Hall, Combs

Our next meeting will take place on **27**th **October 2025** from 10.30am to 12.30pm, if you need further information please contact Revd Alison on 01449 541794. All most welcome.

Wednesday Mornings in Trinity Hall, Onehouse

9.30am Wednesdays Said Holy Communion followed at 10.30am by coffee and cake.

Saturday Morning Prayer on Zoom at 10am

Join us for a short service of Morning Prayer on Zoom, this is the link to join the service https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84537834344?pwd=dmZRdXpkbXNpUk15aVNjdzMwdmg5 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84537834344?pwd=dmZRdXpkbXNpUk15aVNjdzMwdmg5 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84537834344?pwd=dmZRdXpkbXNpUk15aVNjdzMwdmg5 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84537834344?pwd=dmZRdXpkbXNpUk15aVNjdzMwdmg5 https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84537834344?pwd=dmZRdXpkbXNpUk15aVNjdzMwdmg5

Prayer Group

We have a group of people from across the Benefice who pray individually and privately for anyone who asks for prayerful support, whatever the situation may be. All information given is kept totally confidential. Our only request is that the person

receiving prayer gives their consent. If you or someone you know would welcome prayer, please contact Elizabeth Mooney at emooney6@sky.com.

Collect for the Feast of Luke the Evangelist

Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Readings

The New Testament reading is taken from 2 Timothy 4.5-17

As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully. As for me, I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give to me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. Do your best to come to me soon, for Demas, in love with this present world, has deserted me and gone to Thessalonica; Crescens has gone to Galatia, Titus to Dalmatia. Only Luke is with me. Get Mark and bring him with you, for he is useful in my ministry. I have sent Tychicus to Ephesus. When you come, bring the cloak that I left with Carpus at Troas, also the books, and above all the parchments. Alexander the coppersmith did me great harm; the Lord will pay him back for his deeds. You also must beware of him, for he strongly opposed our message. At my first defence no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth.

This is the word of the Lord: Thanks be to God.

The Holy Gospel is taken from Luke 10.1-9: Glory to you O Lord

After this the Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, "Peace to this house!" And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the labourer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you

enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, "The kingdom of God has come near to you." This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you O Christ.**

Intercessions

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ, let us pray to the Father.

Heavenly Father, we thank you for the life, work and witness of Saint Luke. We pray that, like him, we may be ready to give a clear account of our faith to all who seek an understanding of the Gospel of Christ. We pray for church leaders and all Christians who are called to speak of their faith on television and on radio and those whose writing is published and widely read both within the church and beyond it. May the witness of your people bring light into the darkest places of the world.

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer

Loving God, we pray for all who are weak, fearful and vulnerable in our world today and for all who are oppressed and treated with contempt. We ask that you give us and the leaders of the nations a compassionate understanding and the wisdom and willingness to support and care for your suffering children. We continue to pray for peaceful resolutions to the conflicts in Ukraine, Israel and Gaza.

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer

God of hope and healing, your servant, Luke, tended the sick and understood human frailty. We pray for doctors, nurses and all who care today for those who are suffering in body, mind or spirit. We pray that your gentle and powerful love will surround them bringing light into their darkness and peace to calm their fears. We pray especially for everyone on our benefice prayer list.

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer

Eternal God, we remember those who have died holding fast to their faith in Christ and those whose faith is known only to you. We thank you for the example of Luke and all your saints and pray that we may live each day in the hope and faith that you will grant us with them a share in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer

Heavenly Father, we offer these prayers to you trusting in your readiness to hear us and in your compassionate loving kindness towards us and those for whom we have prayed.

Merciful father: accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Services on 26th October: The Last Sunday after Trinity

9.30 am	Morning Worship	Buxhall
9.30 am	Holy Communion	Shelland
11.00 am	Morning Worship	Onehouse
11.00 am	Holy Communion	Great Finborough

Please remember the families and loved ones of those who have recently died including Lorraine Vale and John Landymore.

May they Rest in Peace and Rise in Glory.

As a Group of Churches we are committed to promoting a 'Safer Church' for all. Information relating to Safeguarding is available in all our churches and from our Diocesan Website https://www.cofesuffolk.org/promoting-a-safer-church

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