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The Wave....

... Waveney Valley Ecumenical Partnership



MINISTER'S LETTER

As I write this we have passed the mid-point in September and October looms large. This is a busy time of year for all involved in church life. Harvest services are dominating at present. It is the first time for several months that, for many, there may have been a special service. For us in the Waveney Valley however, we started celebrating at the beginning of September with the forming of the new LEP in Harleston.



Special celebration services are lovely, they remind us that God works within and through us to create not just interest but stimulation, enabling us to look at our faith journey more closely. They also show us how different we all are and how we interpret what we feel should be done. Sometimes we have helpful guidance, sometimes none, most of the time we muddle through. It's been like this down the centuries, and I often wonder what Jesus thought when faced with the human race!

Of course this season is not all about celebration, it's a season of synods and counting, busy pieces of activity that need to be completed before we can stop and think about Advent. This year is special for us because we are celebrating ten years of the Partnership. How many of us have thought of that in the past few months? I suspect that it got 'parked' in favour of other, more pressing matters.

In amongst all the busyness, please stop and look around at God's gift of this world. Autumn is a glorious season where we can see the true beauty of the place in which we live. Count rainbows – they remind us of God's promise to look after us. *Jacquie*



Diary Dates

Thursday 27th September – Partnership Representatives’ Meeting, Emmanuel 7.30pm

Friday 20th October – Pulham Market Methodist Fish and Chip evening – 7.30pm. Please ring 01379-676447 to book – cost to be advised

Saturday 11th November – Soup lunch in aid of Fressingfield Methodist Church funds. Sancroft Hall, Fressingfield 11-1. Coffee from 11. Soup from 12. Various craft and cake stalls.

Tuesday 14th November – Partnership Members’ Meeting (AGM) – all welcome at London Road, Harleston At 7.30pm

Saturday 18th November – Pulham Market Methodist Bazaar – 11-2

Sunday 26th November – Partnership Service – Pulham Market Methodist 1030am – followed by Bring and Share lunch

Friday 1st December – Denton Christmas Market – Village Hall – 5.30pm

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Spoiler: Christmas is coming - very quickly!!!!!!! It would be lovely if we could include a list of all events and services in the Partnership - which will not be shown elsewhere on the preaching plan - in The Wave. The sooner you can let me (Pat Williamson 07880 715628 Patmwilliamson@hotmail.com) know, the better. It is so good to be able to share in each other’s events.

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Do you enjoy singing or play a musical instrument? – then turn up at Wortwell URC on Tuesday evenings at 7pm. We (the Waveney Valley Ecumenical Partnership Singers) are just beginning to rehearse our Christmas offering – “The Inn Crowd” – we would love to have you join us.

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