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### WELCOME to the NOVEMBER edition of LINK



As November opens we will gather at the memorials in our villages to remember those who have laid down their lives in the defence of peace, in the World Wars and in military service to this day. In recent years these services across the country have seen a surge in commitment and attendance. Perhaps, conscious as we are of the worrying persistence of conflict in eastern Europe and the Middle East, we are

yearning more than ever for the hope of peace to become a reality.

The month will draw to a close with the arrival of the season of Advent, when in our churches we will start to declare the Christmas news heralded by angels to shepherds: "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favour rests."

These angelic words contain a jaw-dropping promise. *Peace on earth*. They do not speak of some airy-fairy hope that after the chaos of this life there might be some ethereal afterlife of nothing much - peace as an absence of conflict, or of anything else exciting.

No, the Christian concept of peace is drawn from the Old Testament Hebrew word *shalom*, which refers to the fullest expression of life, joy and vitality a person or a culture can experience, 'the world, all as it should be' as one famous Christian song puts it.

And the angels declare this peace will be found *on earth*. Christian hope is unashamedly earthy, with the last chapter of the Bible story picturing a real, physical world made completely new and imperishable, with all stain of death and sadness wiped away. Many find such a hope hard to believe in, perhaps too good to be true. But for those who do have faith, it strengthens our resolve to stand firm against those forces that would kill and destroy, knowing that we stand in line with our Lord who laid down His life to do the same, and who received His life back again in the ultimate victory over evil.

So I will be proud to honour the memory of those in our villages who have laid down their lives in the same cause, and I am sure I will see many of you there.

God bless, Phil

Sunday

24th

### **Sunday Services for November 2024**

### All Saints', Hordle

Sunday	3rd	9.00	Morning Prayer		
		10.30	Family Communion		
Sunday	10th	9.30	Remembrance Service		
		10.45	Act of Remembrance	War Memorial	
		6.00	Contemporary Worship		
Sunday	17th	9.00	Holy Communion		
		10.30	All Age Service	Memorial Hall	
Sunday	24th	10.30	Family Worship		
		6.00	Contemporary Worship		
St. Andrew's, Tiptoe					
Sunday	3rd	10.00	Morning Prayer		
Sunday	10th	10.15	Remembrance Service		
		3.00	Act of Remembrance	Tiptoe Green	
Sunday	17th	10.00	Morning Prayer		

### Calendar for November 2024

**Holy Communion** 

10.00

Prayer Meetings in November							
Monday 4th	Prayer meeting	11.00	Memorial Hall				
Monday 11th,	18th and 25th	11.00	Zoom Prayer Meeting				
		745					
Village Voices 6t	h, 20th and 27th	7.15	Hordle Pavilion				
Coffee at Potting Shed	8th and 22nd	10.30	Potting Shed				
Rooted (Years 5 & 6)	17th	5.30	Memorial Hall				
Fun and Fellowship	12th	2.00	Tiptoe Hall				
Parish Quiet Garden	21st	9.50	Rodgers				
Luncheon Club	7th	12.30	Memorial Hall				
Tea@3	21st	3.00	Memorial Hall				

### Men's Breakfast

8.15 for 8.30 am

23rd November

Memorial Hall, Hordle

Speaker:

Angus Wood on his trip to Ukraine

Women's

Advent brunch

Fish and chip Supper with Fun Quiz

### Friday 29th November

5.30 for 6 pm

Tiptoe Church Hall Cost: approx. £10 per head



We would love you to join us to welcome in Advent ...

with brunch, a short message from Anya our Children's and Youth Worker, and a Christmas craft.

Saturday 30th November

9.30-11.30am.

Tickets are £5 - sign up after church or online (the link is in the church newsletter). We look forward to seeing you there!



For anyone in Years 7-13 who wants to explore and dig deeper into the Christian faith. All Saints' Church Upper Room 7 pm To find out more, contact Anya: youth@hordleandtiptoechurch.org.uk November dates: 5th,12th,19th and 26th

#### Mea Culpa!

In the October LINK we printed one of Douglas Pryde's holiday photos, entitling it as illustrating an anomaly. In fact, it also contained an editorial anomaly!

Stornoway is the capital of the Isles of Lewis and Harris, in the Outer Hebrides.

With apologies to all Scots who may have been offended by the original!

### We will remember them ...

They went with songs to the battle, they were young Straight of limb, true of eye, steady and aglow. They were staunch to the end against odds uncounted They fell with their faces to the foe.

They shall not grow old as we that are left grow old Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun, and in the morning We will remember them.

Laurence Binyon

### **Gail Giles**

It was with sadness that the church here received the news of the passing of Gail Giles on 5th October. Gail and Brian had been such integral members of our church family until their move to Sonning Common, and good friends to many of us.

Gail's daughters are planning a private cremation service, but we can hopefully publicise the date of that so that we at Hordle and Tiptoe can give thanks for her life especially at that time.

Two of our church family have been remembering Gail ...

When Brian and Gail moved from Milford some years ago to be nearer their daughters, we lost two pillars of the church. After Brian's death several years ago Gail was being cared for by her daughters; she had suffered from memory loss for some time.

Gail had been PCC Secretary and had led a Ladies Home Group.

She was also a leading light in the Milford social life being involved in the monthly Lunch Club and supporting Brian with the Historical Society.

I remember spending many happy times with the Giles family in their beach hut on Hordle beach, which is sadly no longer there.

Our love and condolences go to the girls in their loss.

Gill

I knew Gail best when Brian joined the team building the Hall, following the death of Philip Drake. He and Bernard worked together very closely at this time. I remember tea and cakes at their 'upside down' house on Hordle Cliff when there was a problem to be discussed concerning the Hall.

Gail was very active in the Church. Alongside her PCC Secretaryship duties, she took on the oversight of funeral teas as she recognised that this was something important to continue. She also edited the LINK magazine in partnership with Brenda Hipkin for some time.

Some members of Hordle and Tiptoe were able to visit them after Gail and Brian moved to Sonning Common to be near Celia, Lucy and Emily. *Daphne* 

We thank God for Gail, for all she was and all she meant to many of us.

### PCC Vision Review Day 12th October 2024

Our Vision is: We aspire to be a Christian family which is:

- Welcoming, Thriving, and Growing
- Integrated into the life of the community around us
- Connected to the wider church in a positive and supportive way

We look to the future with the following priorities:

**Discipleship:** To encourage Christians to grow in faith by developing new opportunities for discipleship.

**Community Participation:** To become more active in the daily life of our villages, getting to know our neighbours and demonstrating the church to be a positive contributor to the life of our villages.

**Pastoral Care:** To strengthen our ability to care for church members in need and ensure each one feels part of the whole.

**Children and young people:** To build our ministry to children, youth and young adults, seeking to reach new generations.

**Ministry:** We aim to co-ordinate our ministry activity so that individuals can use their gifts and skills to bless others.

**Welcoming all ages:** To shape all that we are and do as a church family with the key priority of making newcomers of all ages feel welcome.

A year ago, the PCC set up four task groups to look at a) our service patterns, b) our discipleship, c) our community engagement, d) our facilities provision. When Anya came, she gave us her vision for children and young people.

This time, having had reports at PCC from all these groups during the year, we spent time on 'What should we do next?'

The conclusions were a) continue to review our service patterns, particularly concentrating on provision for families, b) set up new house groups quickly so everyone can be accommodated and cared for, c) refurbish All Saints' foyer and St Andrew's kitchen, provide Audio/Visual for the Memorial Hall and sound relay to the church room, d) run a holiday club, e) explore evangelism training.

Watch this space for how YOU can help to fulfil this vision! Mary Moynagh



This poem, attributed to Spike Milligan, has appeared in LINK before, but one of our readers suggested it for inclusion this month ... what a good idea !

### Smile

Smiling is infectious You catch it like the flu When someone smiled at me today I started smiling too



I walked around the corner And someone saw me grin When he smiled I realised I had passed it on to him

> I thought about the smile And then realised its worth A single smile like mine Could travel round the earth

> > So if you feel a smile begin Don't leave it undetected Start an epidemic And get the world infected!



#### 28th February - 2nd March 2025

'Come along to this festival to be encouraged in how ature a love of literature relates to our faith. This year it A literary festival with a theological slant takes place entirely at Winchester Cathedral.

Until 30th November, our diocese can get a 10% discount off ticket prices by using the code DIOFOFL10 '

> If anyone is interested, check out the Cathedral website. Maybe a group could be organised?

### Our greatest crisis yet in flood-stricken Nepal

Abbreviated from the blog by Peter Waddup, CEO -

The Leprosy Mission Great Britain "The Leprosy Mission's flagship hospital in Nepal is in a state of emergency after record monsoon rains lashed the Kathamandu valley.



On the morning of 28 September the downpours gave way to deadly landslides at Anandaban. Staff suffer flashbacks of buildings and trees cascading down the mountainside in a torrent of mud. Overnight roads turned to rivers. Only the army was able to reach Anandaban Hospital.

It was a desperate situation. Borewells supplying the hospital with water were damaged. This left the hospital without a fresh water supply. We were acutely aware there was just a day or two of water left stored in tanks. Food supplies were rapidly dwindling. There was a real danger of the entire hospital campus needing to be evacuated. But how could this even happen with every road blocked?

We are relieved that it has not been necessary, so far, to evacuate the hospital site. This is despite more rainfall. Instead, patients have been moved from the wards to the new main hospital building for safety. Temporary repairs have successfully restored the hospital's water and electricity supply. Emergency food supplies have reached the hospital.

In my darker moments this week, I have been comforted that Anandaban means 'forest of joy' in Nepali. My heart was somehow lifted by this simple encouragement. Although the current disaster is undoubtedly its greatest crisis yet, we are not without hope.

For decades Anandaban has been a beacon of hope to so many patients affected by leprosy. For many it is only the only place they are loved, accepted and cared for free of charge.

Thank you so much for reading this and for caring. If you would like to give to keep the beacon of light that is Anandaban shining, please go to our website. It is our prayer that the hospital and all its services will be fully restored and reinstated soon. The mountaintop hospital can then shine brighter than ever before."

Whilst on holiday in Yorkshire earlier in the year, Chris and Janice Benson visited Upper Wharfedale and Littondale Parish Church. They brought back a copy of that church's magazine -LINK!

In that LINK, the Vicar, Revd Tom Lusty, wrote about his Christian journey, and concluded his letter with 'one of his favourite prayers' from

> 'The soul of a pilgrim' by Christine Painter

Journeying God, pitch your tent with mine So that I may not be deterred by hardship, strangeness, doubt.

Show me the movement I must make toward a wealth not dependant on possessions,

Toward a wisdom not based on books, Toward a God not confined to heaven.

Help me to find myself as I walk in others' shoes.

Amen.

**Service of Light** Sunday 1st December St Andrew's Church



Mulled wine and mince pies will be served in the Church Hall after the service.

Whilst visiting Southampton Hospital, this mural was spotted in the reception area -

Stormy seas may make our journey hard to bear, but our life's voyage can be eased by another, who selflessly offers us their precious gifts.

### UN Climate Change Conference, COP29

### Baku, Azerbaijan 11 – 22 November 2024

The average temperature of the world is getting hotter. Rising global temperatures are causing all sorts of changes to our climate here and for our global neighbours too.

### Is the Church of England attending the COP29?

YES, as part of the Anglican delegation, along with all the delegates from all the world countries.

### What can our Church do?

### Pray

Creator God, Giver of life, You sustain the earth and direct the nations. In this time of climate crisis, grant us clarity to hear the groaning of creation and the cries of the poor; Challenge us to change our lifestyles; Guide our leaders to take courageous action; Enable your church to be a beacon of hope; And foster with us a renewed vision of your purpose for your world; Through Jesus Christ our Lord, by and for whom all things were made.

### **Contact your MP**

Every country is being asked to make stronger commitments, so you could ask about the UK's Nationally Determined Contribution (NDCs) and the 'polluter pays' measures that are urgently needed.







#### Stories from the Parish - who do you remember?

The evenings are getting shorter so how about a good book to read. You can sign out one of three books from St. Andrew's and learn more about the history and its people from Hordle and Tiptoe Parish. We are grateful to the many people who have provided the material for these books. There are some amazing stories and you may even remember some of the people if you have been with us for a while. It is a wonderful contribution which has been compiled by Janice Benson and Tony Barker, two members of Tiptoe Church. The books are on the table at the back of St. Andrew's.

If you would like one of the books delivered to you for a period of time please do make contact with the Church office and this will be arranged. (Telephone: 01425 626565)

### **THOUGHTS FROM MY GARDEN ...**

As the Editor remarked last month, the sweet peas have been amazing this year! I think the weather suited them and we gave them extra water when necessary. Also they like regular picking and we picked a big bunch every day. There were often four vases in the lounge full of sweet peas. The Michaelmas daisies are looking good



at the moment, as are the alstroemeria which are currently in pots but I think I will plant them out.

I always forget to plant the garlic for next year until I am reminded by my daughter. The cloves are in now, although I had to go to three garden centres to find them.

I have started to feed fat balls to the birds to help them through the winter. The hedgehog is still coming to feed every evening. I must think about a house for when he or she wants to hibernate. It will be drier under cover.

We have been watching two squirrels busy in the garden, hiding conkers. One has just passed the window with a conker in its mouth! I have already found three conkers, one in the ground and two in pots when I removed the trailing geraniums to the greenhouse for the winter. I can see I will be finding horse chestnut trees growing when I start gardening next year!

Keep active, it is good for you!





### **BIBLE SOCIETY IN UKRAINE**

For more than 600 days, Bible Society colleagues in Ukraine have been taking aid, medicine and the Bible to people across the country, and increasingly to areas of fighting.

Recently, Deputy General Secretary Anatoliy Raychynets returned from a trip to visit troops on the front line in woods outside Bakhmut where they met soldiers who were manning a cannon, but also reading Psalm 91. Anatoliy leads Bible outreach in Ukraine, taking God's word to the front lines, and Victoria leads the country's Bible-based trauma healing programme. Both efforts bring Jesus into desperate situations, and it's the generosity of Bible Society supporters, who gave a million pounds in 2022, that makes it all possible.

'We were interrupted by shell explosions," said Anatoliy. 'When I found myself in a trench next to a soldier called Kyrylo, he told me that two weeks ago we had come and given him a Bible.'

Kyrylo told him: 'I have never been to church, never read the Bible, because I never had one. Here, at the combat positions, in short moments of silence, I started reading prayers from the Book of Psalms, as you advised me back then.

'I feel warmth inside me while reading. I have never experienced anything like this in my life. I realised that it was God who came to me, a sinner, at the age of 57. He came here, to the swamp, to the horrors of the war, to find me. Thank you for the Bible. It revived me to a new life, a life with God.' Then Kyrylo asked Anatoliy to pray with him.

'A few minutes later, when everything has quieted down, we continued reading Psalm 91. My voice was a bit hoarse because it was -10 in the forest and I was quite cold,' said Anatoliy.

Anatoliy says: 'God works in an amazing way. His word is alive and



active. Thank you that we have Bibles and are able to give them to people in different circumstances.'

#### No.3 in Angie's series on the Church's Calendar

### Epiphany- had a moment?

**Is this a familiar phrase to you?** A definition of epiphany is a sudden understanding or realisation. It is often used to describe a moment of insight or comprehension that leads to a new understanding of something. Epiphanies can be profound and life-changing, or they can be little insights that help us see things in a new way.



In the Christian tradition, the time between December 25 and January 6 is known as the Twelve Days of Christmas and this ends with the festival of Epiphany. In Rome, by 354 Christ's birth was being celebrated on December 25th, and later the church in Rome

began celebrating Epiphany on January 6. In the Western church the festival primarily commemorates the visit by the Magi to the infant Jesus, which is seen as evidence that Christ, the Jewish Messiah, came also for the salvation of Gentiles.

This prayer can be used during Epiphany to express something of the story and significance of the Wise Men who brought gifts to the infant Jesus.

"God of surprises and gifts, you revealed yourself as a newborn baby and, with a star, you led the peoples of earth to worship Jesus, your only Son: lead us to see you face-to-face, and help us to discover our gifts and talents so that we may offer them up to you and your service. Let us be Jesus' light in the world today. Amen."

This prayer from New Zealand highlights our response to Epiphany.

"O God among us, may we be visited by angels, may we follow stars, may we bring the gifts we have to offer. May we embrace the journey and travel in love. May Christ bless our homes and find a home in our hearts throughout the year. Amen."

### Macmillan Coffee Afternoon at Hordle School



We are delighted to announce that we raised £302 at the Macmillan coffee afternoon recently held in school.

Macmillan charity is almost entirely funded by charitable donations from the public. Overall, 98% of their income comes from fundraising activities, totalling £232.5 million in 2023.

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Sometimes MAF works in co-ordination with affiliates - as illustrated here by Asas de Socorro in Brazil ...

Rio Grande do Sul - Brazil's most southerly state - is experiencing its worst ever climate change catastrophe caused by the unprecedented rainfall earlier this year.

With authorities calling it the worst climate disaster in southern Brazil, the state's federal government announced on 22 August that it would release R\$1.97 billion to help pay off debts to rural producers whose livelihoods have been ruined. The state has a land mass larger than the UK, with more than 90% of the area having been affected by unprecedented rainfall since April.

Low-lying areas of the state's capital Porto Alegre are completely under water. The River Guaíba rose to a record 5.33 metres. It's believed a total of 600,000 people were made homeless and 45,000 businesses affected by the disaster with electricity, roads and drinking water all badly affected. In response, MAF affiliate Asas de Socorro (ADS) has delivered over 1,000kg of life-saving aid supplies to flooded communities, as well as transporting health professionals and performing medevacs.

'The aerial view was devastating,' said ADS Pilot Victor Scarparo. 'We saw submerged neighbourhoods and collapsed lives. It's in this moment that the magnitude of the tragedy and importance of our air mission becomes clear.' The under-reported disaster continues to take its toll and highlight the grave impacts climate change is having on the most vulnerable communities.



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