

St. Peter's Church, Swettenham



**NOTICE SHEET
8TH MARCH 2015
EVENSONG & HOLY COMMUNION
3RD SUNDAY OF LENT**

A very warm welcome to the community here at St. Peter's where worship has been offered on this site since Saxon times. The present Church building has its origins in the late 13th Century and has been the place of worship for the village of Swettenham since then.

An induction loop system operates here. If you make use of a hearing aid please switch to "T" for enhanced sound. Please ensure that mobile phones, cellular phones and pagers are switched off.

There will be a collection taken during the Offertory Hymn for the Ministry, Mission and upkeep of this beautiful Church building that costs £2,417 month to maintain. Please use one of the Gift Aid envelopes in the pews as this adds 25% to the value of your offering, thank you.

Our Hymns for today:

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN: 336 All my hope on God is founded

PSALM: 19

OFFICE HYMN: 122 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

OFFERTORY HYMN: 208 O happy band of pilgrims

RECESSIONAL HYMN: 180 Thou whose almighty word

THE COLLECT

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; 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.**

OLD TESTAMENT (HEBREW BIBLE): Exodus 20: 1 – 17

And God spake all these words, saying, I am the Lord thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. Thou shalt have no other gods before me. Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down

thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it. Honour thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee. Thou shalt not kill. Thou shalt not commit adultery. Thou shalt not steal. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

NEW TESTAMENT READING:

Colossians 1.15-20

Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature: For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth, visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him: And he is before all things, and by him all things consist And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence. For it pleased the Father that in him should all fulness dwell; And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.

GOSPEL

John 2: 13 - 22

And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. And found in the temple those that sold oxen and sheep and doves, and the changers of money sitting: And when he had made a scourge of small cords, he drove them all out of the temple, and the sheep, and the oxen; and poured out

the changers' money, and overthrew the tables; And said unto them that sold doves, Take these things hence; make not my Father's house an house of merchandise. And his disciples remembered that it was written, the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up. Then answered the Jews and said unto him, what sign shewest thou unto us, seeing that thou doest these things?

Jesus answered and said unto them, destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up. Then said the Jews, Forty and six years was this temple in building, and wilt thou rear it up in three days? But he spake of the temple of his body. When therefore he was risen from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them; and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.

ADDRESS Revd Ian Godfrey

POST COMMUNION

Merciful Lord, grant your people grace to withstand the temptations of the world, the flesh and the devil, and with pure hearts and minds to follow you, the only God; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Next Week at St. Peter's

**11.15AM MOTHERING SUNDAY
FAMILY SERVICE - HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)**



**There will be a cake sale
after the family service
next week in aid of our
Choir. Thank you for your
continued support.**



ELECTORAL ROLL

The Electoral Roll is being revised next month. If you would like to be on the Electoral Roll, please collect a form from Sheila Bennett (Tel: 01477 571401) and return to her.



Donations towards the Easter Lilies would be appreciated and can be given to Mrs Dorothy Smith Thank you



FOODBANK CONGLETON

We will be collecting items to give to The Storehouse Foodbank in Congleton for those in need. If you could supply any non perishable food items: tins, pasta, biscuits etc. toiletries and household items such as washing powder/fabric conditioner it would be very much appreciated.

The green box is in the front pew by the font for you to place your donations. It will be taken to the Storehouse on a regular basis depending upon amount received. Thank you for your support for families in need.



**Family Service
Mothering Sunday
March 15th
11.15am**



The Lent Lunches will be held at Goostrey Methodist Hall on Saturday March 21st & Saturday March 28th both at 12noon- 1pm.

Donations raised will be given to Save the Children Ebola Campaign.



Monthly Services at St. Peter's

1 st Sunday	2 nd Sunday	3 rd Sunday	4 th Sunday	5 th Sunday
11.15am Holy Communion (BCP)	6.30pm Evensong & Holy Communion (BCP)	11.15am Family Service	6.30pm Evensong (BCP)	*11.15am Holy Communion (BCP) or *6.30pm Songs of Praise

*Please contact the Vicar 01477 532109 for the 5th service of the month as this varies according to times & seasons.

For more information on St. Peter's Church, please go to the website www.stpeterswettenham.org.uk