

SUNDAYS IN OCTOBER

- 4th 11am **Morning Service with Holy Communion**
led by Rev Andrew Biggs *(Followed by Church Meeting)*
- 11th 11am **Morning Service** led by Rev Richard & Rev Gill Crippen
(Followed by Sunday Prayer Focus)
- 18th 11am **Morning Service** led by Mrs Julie Biggs
- 25th 11am **Shoebox Sunday Celebration** led by Mr Tony Gibson
(Followed by light refreshments)

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Chapel Zoom on Sundays at 7.30pm

- 4th **Claire Wells**
- 11th **Penny Frank**
- 18th **Matt Forsyth**
- 25th **Tony Gibson - Shoeboxes**

THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP AT 2.30PM

- 1 Oct Rev Hannah Allen, Rector of St Lawrence Parish Church,
Bourton on the Water
"My faith journey and call to Ministry"
- 8 Oct Pastor David & Mrs Jenny Cooke,
Banbury Evangelical Church *Fundraising Tea*
- 15 Oct Rev Dr Stephen Blake – "Walking the cliff edge"
(pursuing vocation)
- 22 Oct Rev Canon Sarah Sharp, Vicar of the Wychwood benefice
"My faith journey and call to Ministry"
- 29 Oct Mrs Kathy Haigh – John 10:10 – "I have come that they
may have life and have it to the full"

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VILLAGE BOOK SWAP AND COFFEE

Thursday 1ST October 2026

10.30am to 12 noon at Westcote Methodist Chapel

SUNDAY PRAYER FOCUS – 11 OCTOBER 2026

If you can, please stay after the service for a few minutes to pray for our families, friends, church family and our neighbours.

Hazel's Greeting Cards

*In October all proceeds from the sale of
Hazel's greeting cards will go to North Cotswold Food Bank*

CHURCH MEETING - SUNDAY 4th OCTOBER

Tea/coffee will be served after the service,
followed immediately by the Church Meeting.
(All are welcome to join us)

Date for your Diary

The Chapel Christmas Lunch will be on Sunday, 29 November 2026.

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have any prayer requests, please let one of the stewards know

SHOEBOX SUNDAY – 25TH OCTOBER

Do join us for Shoebox Sunday if you can,
and for light refreshments afterwards.

The Busy Bees group have been working hard all year making and collecting items for the Christmas shoeboxes. They will be packing about 120 boxes this month, which will be sent off in November.

The shoeboxes are given to vulnerable children through schools, nurseries, hospitals and orphanages. Teams4U, who distribute the boxes, aim to give the boxes in relationship with the local community as part of a long-term commitment to the children.

The boxes will be heading to Eastern Europe. Teams4U work with partners in those countries, like the Red Cross, to find the children that are most in need.

Andrew Maisey (local preacher) is seeking support from Circuit friends for a sponsored sleepout he will be doing in October on behalf of the Oxford Winter Night Shelter. Details of the event and how to sponsor can be found here - <https://ceosleepout.enthuse.com/pf/andrew-maisey>