



### Bourne Foodbank

The foodbank desperately needs donations of the following items, particularly the items in red.

**Tinned vegetables**

**Instant coffee**

**Fruit Juice (cartons)**

**Washing up liquid**

**Baked Beans**

**Milk (UHT cartons)**

**Tinned fruit**

**Washing powder / liquid**

**Tinned soup**

**Jam / marmalade**

**Shampoo**

**Soap / liquid handwash**

### News from Dunsby

Unfortunately, due to illness, both the walkabout lunch and Songs of Praise have had to be **cancelled** today. We pray for a speedy recovery for all concerned.

However

**COFFEE MORNING** All Saints' Church Dunsby on Saturday 11th September 10.00 am to 12 noon. Coffee and cake for a small donation. Come and see this Grade 1 listed ancient and beautiful church and we will try to answer your questions about the history of the church.

### Please support your church

A huge thank you to everyone who is using the online giving pages to support the work of our churches.

For all churches, donations will help keep much loved churches open and serving their local communities in regular worship and milestone life events.

**Please give as generously as you are able. If you usually give a donation through the plate collection, please consider contributing online.** All our churches are struggling to meet their regular outgoings, which unfortunately do not stop just because the doors are closed for physical services.

St Andrew, Haconby has an online giving page which can be found [here](#).

St. John the Baptist Church, Morton has an online giving page which can be found [here](#).

St. Mary and All Saints, Kirkby Underwood has an online giving page [here](#).

### Do you know anyone who is unable to get to church but who would like to receive Holy Communion?

Just contact Revd Neil on 01778 219626 or [revdneil@yahoo.com](mailto:revdneil@yahoo.com) and he will arrange a home communion visit.

# Ringstone in Aveland News Sheet



**5 September 2021**  
**14th Sunday after Trinity**

Click on the logo for some music while you read the news sheet

### Psalm 146: Praise for God's Help

Praise the Lord!

Praise the Lord, O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God all my life long.

Do not put your trust in princes,  
in mortals, in whom there is no help.

When their breath departs, they return to the earth;

on that very day their plans perish.

Happy are those whose help is the God of Jacob,

whose hope is in the Lord their God,  
who made heaven and earth,  
the sea, and all that is in them;

who keeps faith for ever;

who executes justice for the oppressed;

who gives food to the hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free;

the Lord opens the eyes of the blind.

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

the Lord loves the righteous.

The Lord watches over the strangers;

he upholds the orphan and the widow,

but the way of the wicked he brings to ruin.

The Lord will reign for ever,

your God, O Zion, for all generations.

Praise the Lord!

### Collect and Post Communion Prayer

#### Collect

Almighty God, whose only Son has opened for us a new and living way into your presence: give us pure hearts and steadfast wills to worship you in spirit and in truth; 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.**

#### Post Communion Prayer

Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### Please pray for...

#### From our prayer list

Eben Atkinson, Sheila Bates, Margaret Brumby, Judith Gentleman, Sue Grainge, Nora Green, Clive Hall, Annie Hersey, Arthur Jeffries, Imogen Matthews, Neil Morgan, John Rowntree, Maggie Sharman, Jose Stokes, Alan Tosney, John Weatherspoon, and for any others whom we name in the silence of our hearts.

We give thanks for those on the road to recovery.

We also remember the souls of Hermia Slater and of all the faithful departed may they rest in peace and rise in glory; and we also pray for those who mourn their loss.

Please pray for those whose anniversaries fall this month:

Baptisms: Jessica Chalkley (2 years); Arthur Barr (2 years)

Funerals: Geoffrey Hyde (2 years); Paul Finch (2 years); Rosemary Green (2 years)

#### Eucharist Services in the Group

5 September	11am	Eucharist	Morton
12 September	11am	Eucharist	Rippingale
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer	Haconby
19 September	11am	Eucharist	Dunsby
	3pm	Harvest Festival	Kirkby Underwood
26 September	11am	Eucharist	Haconby
	3pm	Harvest Festival	Rippingale
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer	Morton
3 October	11am	Eucharist	Kirkby Underwood
	5.30pm	Evening Prayer	Rippingale
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>10am</b>	<b>Morning Prayer</b>	<b>Morton</b>
Monday - Saturday	9 am	Morning Prayer	Zoom

Contact Revd Neil for the link

For those who are unable to attend a church service, they will also be live streamed on

[Facebook](#), and available later on [YouTube](#).



#### Readings for this Sunday

[Isaiah 35.4-7a](#)

[James 2.1-10\[11-13\] 14-17](#)

[Mark 7.24-37](#)

Click on the reading to link through to the text

#### Communication

[www.ringstonegroupchurches.org](http://www.ringstonegroupchurches.org) [ringstoneoffice@gmail.com](mailto:ringstoneoffice@gmail.com)

Please email items for the newsheet to Sue know before Tuesday, 10am.

#### 'God has not given up on our country', say Afghan parents of newborn baby

On the evening that Afghanistan's capital Kabul fell into the hands of the Taliban, somewhere in the city a Christian couple welcomed the birth of a baby girl.

It's hard to imagine a more difficult world for her to enter. The country is in turmoil, Christians and other religious minorities live in fear and women, in particular, are extremely vulnerable.

"Sources on the ground confirm that the Taliban are going door-to-door to weed out 'unwanted elements,'" says Jan Vermeer, Communications Director for Open Doors Asia. "That includes everybody who collaborated with the West and Christians. Anybody who is exposed as a Christian faces severe punishment: kidnapping, torture or even execution.

What will the future hold for this little Christian girl in Kabul? It might seem hopeless. The last time the Taliban was in power, women were banned from the workplace and girls from schools, besides a host of other restrictions. Many women fear for their future, and that of their daughters.

But this couple have hope – the sort of hope that can only come from following the living God. A local source told Open Doors that the parents see the birth of their daughter as a sign that God has not given up – either on them or their country.

#### Christians face a tough future in Afghanistan

Even before the Taliban took over the country, life was very difficult for Christians and other religious minorities in Afghanistan. For years, the country has been number two on the Open Doors World Watch List – behind only North Korea in terms of the extreme level of persecution that believers face. It is impossible to live openly as a Christian in Afghanistan, and it's particularly difficult for Christians from a Muslim background.

"My prayer is that God will protect this family, and despite the challenges cause them to witness to Jesus, the hope of Afghanistan," adds Dave Landrum, Director of Advocacy and Public Affairs at Open Doors. "I also hope Christians everywhere will be prompted to speak out and campaign for freedom to return to this deeply troubled land."

#### Please pray

- Thank God that His gift of new life and hope isn't stopped by political upheaval; pray for this baby's safety and future as she starts life under Taliban rule
- That the Christian population in Afghanistan would be both protected and strengthened during this latest period of trial and persecution, and have opportunities to show the love of God
- That God would give wisdom and courage to international leaders of both governments and ministries to stand for the most vulnerable and advocate, especially at this time, for the rights of women and girls of minority faiths.

If you would like to find out more, please go to [www.opendoorsuk.org](http://www.opendoorsuk.org).