

Training & Resources Bulletin

Enabling our next steps in faith



This bulletin has been sent to all licensed clergy including those with PTO, Readers including those retired with PTO, Authorised Lay Ministers and Churchwardens, and our diocesan Church Army evangelists. Also to the staff in Parish Support at Edward King House and the Diocesan Board of Education.

Discovering
Faith

September 2023

Dear Colleagues,

We hope you've been able to find space during these summer weeks for rest, relaxation and renewal, at home or away. September is the month when things that had been put down are taken up again; so, if you have had a more fallow August, life probably takes off anew here, and there's the temptation to hit the ground running, (though I appreciate some never stopped).

Growing
in Faith

We should remember, however, amid the busyness, our ongoing need for rest, refreshment, and renewal, the need for Sabbath time. The biblical idea of Sabbath was revolutionary. No other society had mandated a day on which human beings were to refrain from their normal labour, and we should approach the Sabbath as good news to the (time) poor, providing release (from the bonds of productivity), recovery (to those debilitated by the daily grind), and freedom (from what controls or dominates).

Discerning
in Faith

I'd argue too that we should seek Sabbath time more than once a week, and, in addition, finding Sabbath, i.e. moments of renewal of mind, body, and spirit, in every day. A while ago, whilst travelling to work, mentally preparing for a challenging conversation and pretty subdued in spirit, I looked at the road ahead and saw a bird of prey hovering above a bridge. It was directly in front of me, and almost cruciform in shape, majestic in its skilled stillness. I don't know why, but in that moment of seeing, my perspective on the day ahead shifted, completely changed. The same problematic conversation awaited me, but now approached it in a different mind-set. Whilst I'm sure the mouse over which the bird was hovering didn't have much of a sense of wellbeing, I did. I felt blessed, and have come to describe what happened as a 'Sabbath Moment' - a moment of renewal of mind and spirit, a time of transformation. The word Sabbath means, in part, to cease or desist, and in that moment, I stopped mentally working, or working out what to do and say, and was simply moved by beauty into a new state of mind.

Training
For Faith

Can you identify any recent sabbath moments - those unexpected events that change the tone of the day, reframe it? Is there something you might intentionally include in your life each day, or at least more than once a week, that could bring refreshment of mind and spirit sufficient to create even just a moment or two of renewal? Do you allow enough space in your day to allow those sabbath moments to register? It's my hope that this September, and through all that the autumn months will bring, you will experience Sabbath Moments - short sabbaticals - in every day, planned an unforeseen.

Continuing
in Faith

Grace and peace.

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SEPTEMBER

Social Justice & Environment

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<u>Organic September</u>	<u>Second hand September</u>	<u>Season of Creation</u>				
10 <u>Education Sunday</u>						16 <u>Coastal Clean up day</u> <u>Ozone layer preservation day</u>
17 <u>Disability Awareness Sunday</u> <u>World Week Peace in Palestine & Israel</u>				21 <u>UN International Day of Peace</u>	22 <u>Loss and Damage day</u> <u>World Car free day</u>	23 <u>Seed Gathering Season</u>
24 <u>Freedom Sunday</u> <u>Peace Sunday</u>						

OCTOBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<u>Black History Month</u>	<u>Unblocktober</u>	4 <u>St Francis World Animal Day</u>	<u>Challenge Poverty week</u>			8 <u>Homeless Sunday</u>
<u>Week of Prayer for World Peace</u>	10 <u>World Homeless Day</u>				14 <u>International E-waste Day</u>	
16 <u>World Food day</u>	17 <u>Challenge Poverty Week</u>	18 <u>Anti-Slavery Day</u>	<u>Big Energy Saving Week</u>			
23 <u>One World Week</u>	24 <u>United Nations Day</u>					

NOVEMBER

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
6 <u>Prayer for Persecuted Christians</u>	7 <u>Carbon Literacy Action Day</u>	<u>World Vegan Month</u>		10 <u>World Science Day for Peace and Development</u>		12 <u>Remembrance Sunday</u>
13 <u>Living Wage Week</u>						
20 <u>World Children's Day</u>	<u>Prisoners Week</u>			24 <u>Buy Nothing Day</u>	25 <u>National Tree Week</u>	



College of Saint Hugh Team

Where do you turn to for support with taking our next steps in faith? Click the button below to meet the College of St Hugh team - we are always delighted to be able to support you and your context.

Do you host any training or study events you could open to a wider audience? Do you produce a resource of some kind, e.g. an advent course, which could be used elsewhere?

If so, send it to the college via collegeofsthugh@lincoln.anglican.org and we can to share the details further afield.

[meet the team](#)

Theology4Everyone

Theology 4 Everyone is a chance to explore your faith.
Over 4 Saturdays this Autumn we will learn together about: the Bible;
Christian mission and ministry; how Christians pray and worship;
and the story of the Christian faith from its earliest days.

The days are free and open to everyone; places are limited so book in early!
To book a place, please email: collegeofsthugh@lincoln.anglican.org

23rd Sept 2023 The Bible - making friends
7th Oct 2023 Mission & Ministry - joining in
11th Nov 2023 Worship & Spirituality - going deeper
2nd Dec 2023 The History of the Church - understanding our roots



**All sessions run
9.45am to 4pm
at Edward King
House Lincoln, LN2
1PU**

Grants

Transformation Fund:

This Fund provides grants to help churches launch new missional initiatives or significantly develop existing projects that will help transform lives across greater Lincolnshire.

Tier 1 (up to £500) always open to applications.

Tier 2 Grants available from £501 to a maximum of £20,000 within any one year.

28th November for a panel meeting on 12th December

[Find out more](#)



Bishops Social Justice Fund:

Grants of up to £2500 can be applied for from the Bishops Social Justice Fund to resource any great work happening in Greater Lincolnshire. [Apply here](#).

Funding for Warm Spaces

We are thrilled to announce that the government is launching a £76 million Cost of Living Fund for community organisations—including warm spaces—this winter. The fund is called [The Community Organisations Cost of Living Fund](#) and is delivered by the [Community Fund](#).

Spaces can apply for funding between £10,000 and £75,000. The timing of the fund, with resource available to cover operations from October 2023 to March 2024, lines up with our forthcoming Warm Welcome Campaign.

Grant opportunity: Community and Environmental Projects

Deadline: 05-10-2023 [Find out more](#)

The Veolia Environmental Trust, which provides grant for community and environmental projects, has announced that the next funding round will open on the 31 August 2023 until the 12 noon on the 5th October 2023.

- Community Grants: Open to constituted not-for-profit organizations and local authorities. They provide funding ranging from £10,000 to £75,000, aimed at creating or improving buildings or outdoor spaces for the benefit of the community. The maximum project size eligible for funding is £350,000.
- Habitat and Biodiversity Grants: Projects focused on conserving, restoring, or enhancing threatened habitats and/or protecting and increasing biodiversity can apply for grants between £10,000 and £75,000.
- Environmental Improvement Grants: For landscape-scale improvement projects, such as habitat creation/management and species protection, grants exceeding £75,000 are available.

Ready for School Grants:

The Bishop of Lincoln's Ready For School Fund aims to support schoolchildren who are lacking the things they need in order to access confidently the full life of school and the curriculum.

Application guidance

The Bishop of Lincoln's Ready For School Fund is:

- for small grants of no more than around £100 for individual children
- administered at no cost by the LDTBF

Applications must be on forms downloadable from the [Board of Education website](#).

For further details contact: education@lincoln.anglican.org

Further Grants:

Are you involved with working with Young People? Round 3 of **LCVYS Grants** is now open.

Groups working with young people to deliver positive activities can apply for and access grants of up to £750 to help with running costs of the group, first years insurance, resources and support. To find out more and apply for Grant Aid Funding please visit our website

<http://www.lcvys.co.uk/grants/> or email admin@lcvys.co.uk

University of Lincoln/Chamber of Commerce Knowledge Transfer Partnership:

Small to medium enterprises (SMEs) in Lincolnshire will be able to submit a free application to receive expert business support which aims to develop and implement an Innovate UK-funded environmental, social, and governance (ESG) self-assessment tool and accreditation scheme. To enquire about how your business could access the KTP funding, contact the University's Research and Enterprise team: enterprise@lincoln.ac.uk

Make a Start (MAST) - grants for individuals

Small grants up to £250 can be made to individuals to help them get back to work, into training or education, where funding from a statutory organisation is unobtainable. Applicants should be 16 years or over and currently working no more than 16 hours per week. Visit the link for information and application process: <https://lincolnshirecf.co.uk/grants/make-a-start-mast/>

The College of Saint Hugh Resources Centre is the diocesan lending library of Christian resources. Borrowing is free of charge; resources are available to all church groups and leaders across the Diocese of Lincoln.

College of St Hugh Resources Centre



[find out more](#)

[resource list](#)



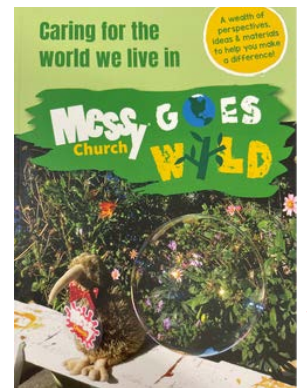
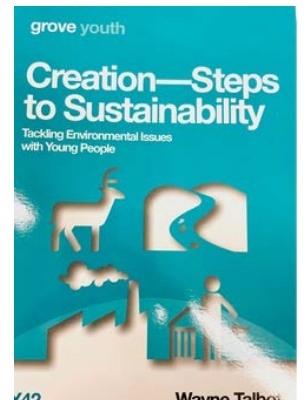
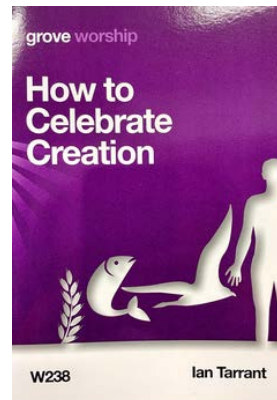
Stone Labyrinth Psalm 23



Small Labyrinth 4.5 m x 6.5m (approx)



Baltic Labyrinth 10 m x 8m (approx)



Lindisfarne Scriptorium

Large Lindisfarne Scriptorium Banners

Book Resources



Churches' Environmental Network

You are invited to join these half-termly zooms and connect with others in your Local Mission Partnership, the Deanery Environment Champions, in the Deanery Partnership and beyond. There will be guest speakers from across the diocese and support from experts in their field.

New!

13
Sept



Season of Creation

Wednesday 13th Sept 2023 at 07:00 PM on Zoom
Join online with people from across the diocese in **marking this Season of Creation in worship, prayer and praise**, and connecting with fellow Christians who are seeking to honour God in our care for His world.



15
Nov



Simply Live

Wednesday 15th Nov 2023 at 07:00 PM on Zoom



10
Jan



Net Zero Buildings

Wednesday 10th Jan 2024 at 07:00 PM on Zoom



13
Mar



Wildlife & Land

Wednesday 13th March 2024 at 07:00 PM on Zoom



8
May



Outdoor Worship

Wednesday 8th May 2024 at 07:00 PM on Zoom



3
July



Connecting Community

Wednesday 3rd July 2024 at 07:00 PM on Zoom



All enquiries contact: sarah.spencer@lincoln.anglican.org

Discovering

Teaching Day

with Revd Dr Ian Paul
Edenham Regional House
10am-4pm £20 BYO lunch

Email edenhamoffice@gmail.com
to book a place



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Communities for Ukraine

Monday 18th September 9 am – 10:45 Online
(opens 8:50 includes break)

An Invitation to join with leaders from Anglican Dioceses in Britain to give thanks for the gifts of guest and host, to hear stories of challenge and change, and to pray and reflect together.

Communities for Ukraine is a refugee sponsorship programme, that was created in March 2022, in response to the humanitarian situation caused by the war in Ukraine. Communities for Ukraine welcomes Ukrainians to the UK through the support of individual UK host families and our 'resettlement partners' - civil society organisations, which include faith groups, community groups, businesses, and universities.

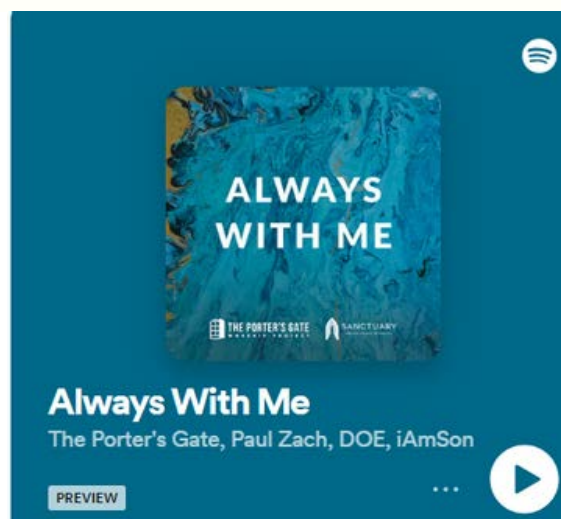
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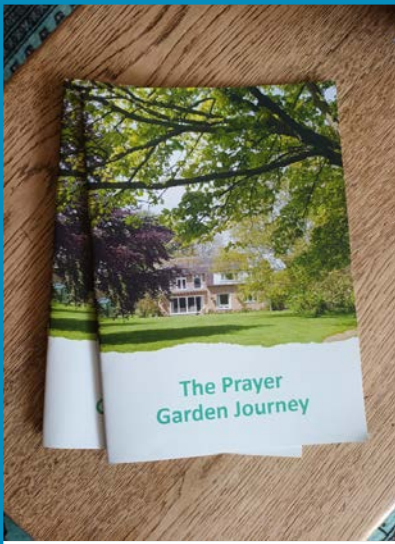
[invitation](#)

Sanctuary Songs

[listen](#)

Sanctuary and The Porter's Gate are creating an album of songs about mental health and faith. By creating an album that centers around the lived experience of people who are often marginalized in churches, and by modeling life-giving and healing ways for congregants to talk (and sing) about mental health challenges, we have the opportunity to unite liturgy and advocacy. We hope this collaboration will offer new ways of experiencing belonging in church communities around the world.





The Prayer Garden Journey

The Prayer Garden Journey is a prayerful walk and time to meditate on scripture. It is hosted by Richard Chillcott at his home in Silk Willoughby and is open to all Church groups. Contact: Richard Chillcott for more details r.chillcott@btinternet.com

Being With Course

The Being With Course is an invitation to discover faith in the context of discovering friendship.

The next couple of training cohorts (three sessions to complete training):

19th, 21st September and 2nd October 2023 at 17:00

9th, 11th and 16th October 2023 at 19:00

14th, 16th and 21st November 2023 at 15:00

Being With



Looking for something to read?
Why not try a local author?

"An Inside Job" is written by local author Revd Joy Osborne, an authorised minister in Grimsby, and, until recently, the chaplain of Lincoln Prison.

[find out more](#)

Chatting Faith

The project, called 'Chatting Faith' aims to provide resources to parents to reflect on aspects of the faith their children have found in storybooks they are reading at school. It's part of the national Church of England's Growing Faith movement, which inspires families, schools and churches to work together to create new young disciples.

chatting faith

part of the Church of England's  foundation

[further information](#)

From Fresh Expressions: Wayfinders

Guided by Scripture, navigating the liminal

On-line Gathering 26th Sept 1.30pm and 27th Sept 12.30pm £20



Led by John Drane and Olive Fleming Drane

In liminal spaces, we're often looking for certainty and clear direction. The psalmist tells us that our 'holy book' is "a lamp for my feet, a light on my path" (Psalm 119:105). This gathering will be a safe space to explore how the Bible helps us to navigate through the sea of questions and doubts we might have, and to discover how Scripture might reveal way-finders for the journey.

We'll be joined by John Drane and Olive Fleming Drane who, with a mix of captivating stories, cutting-edge academic research, and their own personal wisdom, will take us on a deep dive into the origins of the Bible. Together we'll unpack how this ancient text carries increased relevance in modern times and discover fresh perspectives on how we can creatively apply it to our own missional contexts.

[book here](#)

Fresh Expressions: Sharing Jesus

Fx host regular workshops for those who are, or would like to, use the Sharing Jesus resource in their context.

You can also discover other resources from Fresh Expressions by clicking to [join the mailing list](#). (You'll be able to unsubscribe at any time)



[Sharing Jesus resource](#)

Disciples who make Disciples:

Creating a Culture of Biblical Discipleship



The role of small group Bible Study in equipping believers for everyday life. Each Study Day is planned to stand alone so you can sign up for one or more.

27th Sep via Zoom.

A suggested donation per person to cover the costs for the day will be £10.

Group-based Open Learning Discipleship

[find out more](#)

[sign up](#)

August Bulletins

Here's what you might have missed over the Summer:



[August Training and
Resources Bulletin](#)



[August Church Buildings
Team Bulletin](#)

Growing

Free Harvest Resources

The resource pack includes Harvest Hymns, Prayers, stories, activities, fundraising ideas and recipes.

[self help Africa](#)

[harvest resource pack](#)



Ideas to help churches working towards Eco Church. African design solutions and resources for churches to use: Improving the land; Global Engagement; Worship and Teaching.

[harvest resources](#)

[Sustainable Churches](#)

Breaking County Lines Train the Trainer Course



County lines is becoming one of the most prevalent forms of modern slavery in our country. Breaking County Lines is designed as a resource to enable churches and communities to understand and raise awareness of the scale of the problem and to spot the signs of its presence. It also looks at ways of building resilience in our communities with an emphasis on the protection of children, young people and vulnerable adults.

[sign up](#)

[further information](#)

This Train the Trainer course seeks to equip those looking to deliver their own Breaking County Lines Training within their communities. Participants will be encouraged to adapt the material to their own context and to initiate the formation of an action group undertaking practical initiatives to help raise awareness and build community resilience.

Session 1: Wednesday 20th September 14:30-16:30

Session 2: Wednesday 27th September 14:30-16:30

Growing Good Free Webinar Series

Resilience for Leaders and Volunteers of Church Based Social Action Projects - Wednesday 20th September 10:30am



Adapting to our Communities: Church Beyond Walls - Wednesday 11th October 11am

Recruiting, Managing and Retaining Good Volunteers - Wednesday 22nd November 10am

[register here](#)

Challenge Poverty Week

Dignity For All: a more hopeful future.

Get involved, download resources and find events.



[click here](#)

Click [here](#) for the Youth and Children's Networking News



ENGAGING THE
NEXT GENERATION

24-7 PRAYER

[prayer guide](#)

Pray for an End to Human Trafficking

A Prayer guide and resources for you to use to inform your own private prayer, or as the basis for praying together as a group around themes and topics relating to human trafficking and slavery.

Climate Justice

Messy Church have teamed up with Christian Aid to produce a session on the effects of climate justice on Harvest. You can hear more about it at their Facebook Live session on Wednesday 6 September at 9.00 am



[Messy Church facebook page](#)



Messtival

2 March 2024

Save the date!

Messtival

Messtival is back on Saturday 2 March 2024 from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm. With a morning of online workshops to equip and inspire you in your Messy ministry. Why not arrange to attend with your whole team and then share lunch together and chat about what you've heard and how you can apply it to your context?

[find out more](#)

Register for Phase 3 Webinars

One year ago, the Lambeth Conference met in the garden of Lambeth Palace. Bishops shared the Lambeth Call on the Environment and Sustainable Development and launched The Communion Forest.

Learn about what's happened since. Join us in September to hear how you can add your voice to the Lambeth Call, help to grow the Communion Forest and campaign for change in the lead up to COP28.

[lambeth conference](#)



[sign up](#)

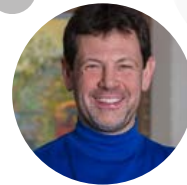
Racial Justice Conference

17 October 2023
Birmingham

Waking up to and
addressing Whiteness in
the Anglican Church

Book your place at:
reconciliation-initiatives.org/racial-justice-conference

Click [here](#) to book and find
out more about the
facilitators and speakers.



BROUGHT TO YOU BY CUF®

[resources](#)

Harvest resources: All Good Gifts!

A free resource pack to help churches give thanks
and celebrate the good gifts in your community,
including the individuals and organisations who are
making a difference amid the soaring cost of living.

Harvest is a time when we are all invited to bring our
gifts, reflect on God's goodness to us and to give
thanks.

God on Monday

Start your working week by thinking through where God is at
work, in your work

God on Monday is a weekly series of reflections written by
Christian leaders in the workplace. Coordinated by Faith in
Business, a range of authors with a passion for whole-life
discipleship provide reflections on biblical themes to shape and
inform your work.

This journey follows the Church of England lectionary (list of
weekly Bible readings). Its vision is to connect God's word with
God's world by inspiring and nurturing everyday faith.

Our prayer is that hearts, minds and hands will be stirred to
serve God in everyday life.

[weekly reflections](#)



Discerning



* Anna
Chaplaincy
for older people



Diocese of Lincoln

Anna Chaplaincy

A 6-week introduction course has been designed for those preparing for a role as Anna Chaplain, covering information about the spirituality of older people and how Anna Chaplaincy responds to spiritual needs in later life. It is a good refresher for those specialising in pastoral care in later life, and also available to those who are already commissioned as Anna Chaplains. There is a maximum group size of 14, to allow learners to contribute to discussions and get to know each other.

Autumn Course: Sept – Nov Sat 10 – 12pm

Winter Course: Nov – Dec Mondays 3 – 5pm

Costs: Currently the course costs £90 inclusive of all training costs, plus £25 (plus £3 P&P) for the Anna Chaplaincy Handbook which is essential reading. There are diocesan funds to support this training to Anna Chaplain or Anna Friend which meet these costs, whether taking on the role in a voluntary or ministerial development capacity. Diocese of Lincoln enquiries via: anna.chaplaincy@lincoln.anglican.org

Expression of interest: A vocation to Anna Chaplaincy needs to be discerned in your local context with your local ministry team or church leaders. To explore more so to: [Latest Training opportunities | Lincoln Diocesan Trust and Board of Finance \(anglican.org\)](#) and download a leaflet here: [Download.ashx \(anglican.org\)](#). Further resources are available from: anna.chaplaincy@lincoln.anglican.org

How can churches support carers of those affected with dementia?



There is a new free course for churches wanting to support people affected by dementia. This new 4 session course is designed to equip church teams to support carers, helping carers to build their own support teams. Each session includes a video to watch and questions to discuss together.

[course information](#)

Explore Online

Discover what parish nursing could offer to your community.

7 September 2023

1-hour sessions at 10am and 7pm

Join us on Zoom for a free information session with our Regional Nurse Coordinator, Dawn Stephens.

Contact enquiries@parishnursing.org.uk to join!



**Parish Nursing
Ministries UK**



DISCOVERY DAY

Saturday 14th October 2023

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Church Army Discovery Day

Online – Thursday 14th September 7pm – 9.15pm
In Person Sheffield – Saturday 14th October 7pm – 9.15pm

We train, support and employ (in partnership with the local diocese) Pioneer Evangelists across the UK and Ireland.

Come and find out what we do and how you can share in our vision. Hear from Evangelists in one of our Centres of Mission and be introduced to some of our resources such as ENVOY – plus hear from one of our Evangelists in Training.

To book a place please click the link below or please contact [Andrew Payne](#).

[discovery events](#)

Rural Mission Hubs

Rural Mission Hubs aim to support and encourage pioneers, practitioners, and permission givers, as well as those looking to explore rural ministry and mission. It is an opportunity to chat, pray, explore, laugh, and cry together. It is a gathering of like-minded explorers with an open door to anyone seeking community, and as such, invites you to join the journey. Each hub aims to meet two or three times each year and has its own character with no set format. Find your nearest hub and come along.

Future hub events are:

- [21st September: Laund Abbey, Leicestershire](#)
- [25th September: Scargill House, Yorkshire](#)
- [26th September: Holy Island, Northumberland](#)

The Rural Mission Hubs are subsidised by RM and this is reflected in the low ticket price for the gatherings.



'THEOS'

Social Prescribing

Theos is undertaking a substantial research project in partnership with the Good Faith Partnership and the Church Works Commission to explore the role of churches and faith communities in social prescribing. Social Prescribing describes how health care providers might refer patients suffering from things like stress or loneliness to non-clinical services to benefit their wellbeing.

Take a look at the scope of the project.

[click here](#)

Perhaps you might start thinking now about what your church community might offer your local the NHS practice, for instance, to combat loneliness and isolation, for example through community gardening projects or choirs etc. Following the findings from this research, faith communities may be more involved, so why not get ahead of the curve?

Training



[click here](#)

How To Create a Pilgrimage Route from Scratch

The British Pilgrimage Trust provide a 'how to' template for creating a short 1-day or half-day pilgrimage route on foot (or even on bicycle or horse), to any holy place destination you choose.

Why not take a look via the link below, and see what pilgrimage route you can shape in your area. Maybe there's a journey to be created between churches in a benefice, or churches in your Local Mission Partnership?

Parish Treasurers and Incumbents Seminars

These sessions will include input on a number of topical issues. These may include:

The theology of generosity
Developing a culture of generosity
New ways of giving through the Parish Giving Scheme
Online and contactless giving
Encouraging legacy giving



Daytime sessions: tea, coffee and cake will be provided; please bring your own packed lunch

Evening session (Lincoln): tea, coffee and cake will be provided. This is a shorter session for those who are not available during the day.

The final programme will be circulated closer to the date of the event. There will also be the opportunity to meet and share ideas with other attendees as well as asking questions of the contributors. Please let us know that you are coming by clicking on the relevant link below.

[Wednesday 11th October 10am-3.30pm Horncastle Community Centre](#)

[Thursday 12th October 10am-3.30pm Bourne Church Hall](#)

[Tuesday 17th October 10am-3.30pm Barton on Humber Church Hall](#)

[Wednesday 18th October 7pm-9pm Lincoln, Edward King House](#)

Preaching Workshops

Preaching in Advent - Saturday 21 October, 10.30 on Zoom

Preaching the Parables - Monday 6 November, 14.00 on zoom

Preaching the Christmas Story - Monday 20 November, 10.30 on zoom



[book here](#)

The Bereavement
Journey
a place to talk

The Bereavement Journey new materials

Now available to run in your church with 6 main sessions and an optional Faith Questions Session. The new videos are more inclusive of a wider range of people and bereavement experiences, so will appeal to and help a wider range of people in your community.

Contact info@thebereavementjourney.org



everyday
faith

Everyday Faith Event

25th November 2023, 9am-4pm. Edward King House

David Heywood will be leading a day for ministers and trainee ministers in the Diocese of Lincoln to consider how as Priests, Deacons, Readers, ALMs and others involved in the leadership of our local churches, we can support and enable Christians to live out their faith in their everyday lives, Monday to Saturday.



watch the introduction
video above

This day is open to all, including ALMs, Readers, clergy and others involved in parish life. To book a place please email: collegeofsthugh@lincoln.anglican.org

David Heywood

[find out more](#)

Free evangelism coaching from the Church Army

Envoy is designed to fit into your life – whatever it looks like – and will equip you to live missionally wherever you are.

Our next Envoy communities begin in October.

Applications close on 15th September.

[learn more](#)

[sign up](#)



Webinars on Land & Nature

14th September 12pm: Getting Started with Eco Church

[book here](#)



Funding Ready Workshops

Free workshops for voluntary sector groups and charities for writing successful funding applications.

Click below for more information. Dates starting in September and November.

[find out more](#)

Disability Matters newsletter

A new quarterly newsletter, Disability Matters, aims to promote disability awareness across the whole Church.

With tips and resources for parishes, its reach and appeal is wide and aims to cover the entire spectrum of disability, mental health, deafness and neurodiversity. Each issue will include a reflection as well as news items, top tips and pointers to resources from within and outside of the Church.

You can [sign up to the mailing list](#) to receive future editions.





Mental Health Challenges: A Christian Response

Date & Time: November 4, 2023 9:30 am - 4:15 pm

Location: Online and in the Healey Room, Westminster College, Cambridge

Cost: £40 in person, £30 for students, £25 online

How does the good news of Jesus Christ speak to those who struggle with their mental health? Can the church get involved in ways that are both safe and wise? This day conference will consider both theory and practice – providing a model for understanding mental illness as well as plenty of worked examples to grapple with the practicalities.

[register](#)

Online Messy Meet-up – Autumn Festivals

You're invited to join us and Messy Church leaders across the network to chat about autumn festivals! Join us on either Thursday 7 September (7.30–8.30 pm) or Thursday 14 September (12.00–1.00 pm).



[book here](#)

Free online courses from relationship experts at OnePlusOne



Here, you can access free online courses from relationship experts at OnePlusOne. Wherever parents are in the parenting journey, these courses are designed to help parents learn how to cope with stress and communicate better.

You can choose from the following courses:

Arguing better – for anyone looking to learn how to cope better with stress and deal with arguments in a healthy way.

Me, You and Baby Too – to help new and expecting parents navigate the changes that happen in their relationship when a baby arrives.

Getting it right for children – to help separated or separating parents learn to manage conflict and minimise the impact it has on their children.

There's also some helpful advice about the impact of debt on relationships, featuring animated stories from real couples.

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Inspiring Leadership?

MODEM Conference 2023

Thursday 9th November

The Royal Foundation of St. Katharine



Accommodation is available the evening before for those traveling from a distance. More information will follow soon.

[modem website](#)

Continuing

Retreat Programme for Clergy

16 October: A time to dance - embracing every season of life

15-17 November: Behold I am doing a new thing

(If you are in the first four years as a first time incumbent and would like to attend this Retreat, full funding is available. Please contact Jackie Johnson via jackie.johnson@lincoln.anglican.org)

11 - 13 October: So, who am I now? Transition from Ministry to Retirement

22 - 24 November: Keeping our Balance in Ministry: Mary, Martha & Lazarus



[details and booking](#)

Seasonal Services of the Word



**Service of the Word
for Ordinary time**

**Service of the Word
for Creationtide**

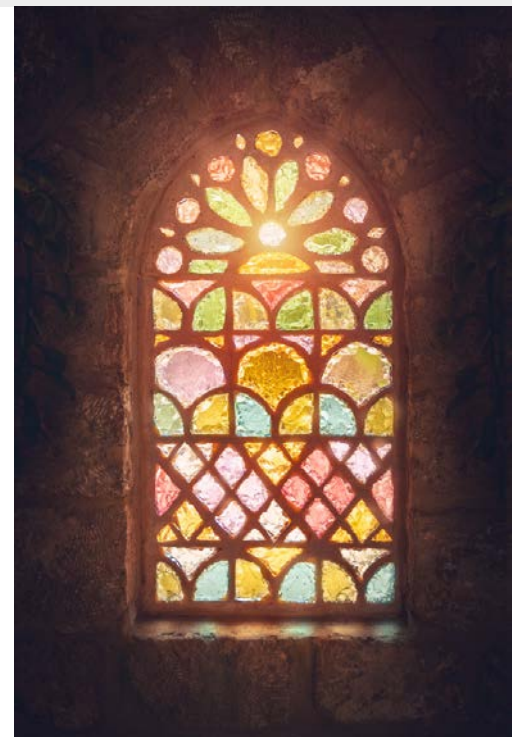
These services of the word are designed to be used in conjunction with the [Homilies Project](#). There will be seasonal variations added during the year.

Hidden Treasures

Make time this harvest season to reflect on the treasures around you and pray for the Holy Spirit to help us think and act differently – for the good of all. CUF have provided a scripture reading, reflection, questions for reflection and discussion and intercessions. These can be adapted to suit your context, whether as part of a church service, with a small group or at home. You can ask one person to lead the service or invite a few people to take part in the reading and intercessions.

We've also provided an optional all-age activity that you can use as part of your service or at another time.

[resources](#)



Season of Creation 2023: 'Let Justice and Peace Flow'...

Season of Creation is just around the corner, and this year's resources 'Let Justice and Peace Flow' are now available to download. With prayers, ideas, videos and events, there's plenty to help you get involved.



**Let Justice
and Peace Flow**
Season of Creation 2023

[resources](#)

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[Sunday school
project](#)

This ecumenical Season of Creation that begins with the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation on September 1st and culminates on October 4th, celebrating the feast of St. Francis of Assisi. This year the theme is **"Let justice and peace flow"**, guided by the prophet Amos who cries out, **"But let justice roll on like a river, righteousness like a never-failing stream!"** (5: 24). We are encouraged to take up climate and ecological justice, and to speak out with and for communities most impacted by climate injustice and biodiversity loss.

"A mighty river" is the symbol chosen to go with this theme, representing biodiversity at risk. The urgency grows and we must make visible **peace** with Earth and on Earth, at the same time that justice calls us to **repentance** and a change of **attitude** and **actions**. When we join the river of justice and peace together with others, it creates **hope** instead of despair.



Deacons National Conference 2023 'Breaking New Ground'

This conference is a unique opportunity for Distinctive Deacons in the UK and beyond, many of whom work in isolation, to come together for fellowship, teaching and encouragement in the rich vocation to which they have been called. Deacons, deacon ordinands, deacon enquirers, deacon Training Incumbents, vocations advisers and DDOs are all invited. Main Speaker: Revd Dr Richard Tiplady.

[more information
and booking](#)

Day Courses for 'Human Flourishing'

5th October 10 – 4pm

Day Course: Reflective Journaling 2023

Leader: James Woodward

Cost £60



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[book here](#)

[more courses](#)

In-person event: Seminar and Eucharist to celebrate 60
years of Self-Supporting Ministry
Southwark Cathedral, Saturday 9 September 2023

13:30 - 14:45 Seminar: Keynote speaker, Eleanor
Sanderson, Bishop of Hull.

15:00 Eucharist: President: Christopher Chessun, Bishop of
Southwark.

Preacher: Julie Conalty, Bishop of Birkenhead (former SSM).
Followed by tea and cake at 16:15.

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2023 Retreat Association Newsletter

In this edition, as well as news from Founding Members, they include reports on their Summer Event, the Retreat Association Icon, and an update on activities to support the ministries of spiritual direction and retreat centres.

Home Grown Wisdom

We are hoping to gather together expertise and knowledge from lay and ordained colleagues around the Diocese in several day events through 2024 at which we share Home Grown Wisdom. If there is a Christian theme in which you are well-versed, or a subject on which you have undertaken further study, and you'd like to share your reflections/findings with others in a two hour or a morning or afternoon session, get in touch with me, at jackie.johnson@lincoln.anglican.org We will create a programme from the submissions, open to anyone interested in the topics.

Home Grown Wisdom will be created by you, facilitated by you, and will include a variety of offerings open to all comers.



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NB: Members of The College of St. Hugh Team are sent information from a large number of organisations about training and resources, and we endeavour to ensure that what we pass on to you via this bulletin is appropriate and of quality. However, it is important to note here that the views expressed by any individual, group, or organisation listed are entirely their own and may not necessarily reflect those of the Team or the Diocese of Lincoln.