

## SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE – OCTOBER 2025

### Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> October

9.30am Holy Communion Woodend

### Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> October– Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am Holy Communion Farthingstone  
10.30am Harvest Festival Blakesley  
4.00pm Harvest Festival Litchborough  
5.30pm Harvest Festival Maidford  
6.00pm Compline Adstone

### Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> October– Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.00am Holy Communion Maidford  
10.30am Holy Communion Litchborough  
10.30am Music & Meditation Blakesley  
6.00pm Compline Adstone

## *Dates for your Diary*

The next 'Open the Bible' meeting will be on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October,  
2-3pm in Litchborough Village Hall.

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## **THE LAMBOLD LETTER**

The Weekly Benefice Newsletter for the Churches of  
St Martin's, Litchborough; All Saints, Adstone;  
St Peter & St Paul, Maidford; St Mary's, Blakesley cum Woodend;  
and St Mary the Virgin, Farthingstone

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## **Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2025** *Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity*

### **Services in the Benefice today:**

9.30am Matins Maidford  
10.30am Holy Communion Blakesley  
6.00pm Compline Adstone

### **We have been asked to remember the following in our prayers:**

David Aked-Walker, Katie Hakin, Carole Harrington, Diane Jones,  
Philip Le Roux, Sylvia Reynolds, James Wagstaffe and  
Chris Wright

## Collect and Readings

### Collect

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers  
of your people who call upon you;  
and grant that they may both perceive and know  
what things they ought to do,  
and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them;  
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.

### Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2: 1-4

<sup>1</sup> The oracle that the prophet Habakkuk saw.

<sup>2</sup> O Lord, how long shall I cry for help,  
and you will not listen?

Or cry to you 'Violence!'  
and you will not save?

<sup>3</sup> Why do you make me see wrongdoing  
and look at trouble?

Destruction and violence are before me;  
strife and contention arise.

<sup>4</sup> So the law becomes slack  
and justice never prevails.

The wicked surround the righteous—  
therefore judgement comes forth perverted.

<sup>2</sup> <sup>1</sup> I will stand at my watch-post,  
and station myself on the rampart;  
I will keep watch to see what he will say to me,  
and what he will answer concerning my complaint.

<sup>2</sup> Then the Lord answered me and said:

Write the vision;  
make it plain on tablets,  
so that a runner may read it.

<sup>3</sup> For there is still a vision for the appointed time;  
it speaks of the end, and does not lie.

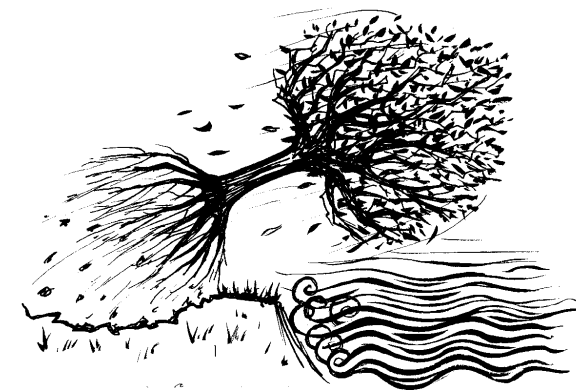
If it seems to tarry, wait for it;  
it will surely come, it will not delay.

<sup>4</sup> Look at the proud!  
Their spirit is not right in them,  
but the righteous live by their faith.

### Luke 17:5-10

<sup>5</sup> The apostles said to the Lord,  
'Increase our faith!' <sup>6</sup> The Lord  
replied, 'If you had faith the  
size of a mustard seed, you  
could say to this mulberry tree,  
"Be uprooted and planted in  
the sea", and it would obey  
you.'

<sup>7</sup> 'Who among you would say  
to your slave who has just come in from ploughing or tending sheep in  
the field, "Come here at once and take your place at the  
table"? <sup>8</sup> Would you not rather say to him, "Prepare supper for me, put  
on your apron and serve me while I eat and drink; later you may eat  
and drink"? <sup>9</sup> Do you thank the slave for doing what was  
commanded? <sup>10</sup> So you also, when you have done all that you were  
ordered to do, say, "We are worthless slaves; we have done only what  
we ought to have done!"'



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## Leading Your Church into Growth

God of Mission,  
who alone brings growth to your Church,  
send your Holy Spirit to give vision to our planning, wisdom to our  
actions, joy to our worship and power to our witness.  
Help our church to grow in numbers, in spiritual commitment to you,  
and in service to our local community,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.