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GRAPEVINE 12th Sunday after Trinity

7th Sep 2025

Prayer for the Day

by Revd Canon David White

Deep peace of the running wave to you.

Deep peace of the flowing air to you.

Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.

Deep peace of the shining stars to you.

Deep peace of the gentle night to you.

Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.

Deep peace of Christ, of Christ the light of the world to you.

Deep peace of Christ to you.

The Church of England, and other major churches, have designated the period from 1st September (World Day of Prayer for Creation) to 4th October (Feast of St Francis of Assisi) as 'The Creation Season'. A time dedicated to God as Creator and Sustainer of all life. It is intended as a time for Christians around the world to come together in prayer, action and advocacy for the care of our common home, the earth. As well as providing an opportunity for services that have creation as their theme, it also encourages environmental stewardship and raises awareness of ecological issues.

This prayer is probably best known in the sung version by the British composer, John Rutter, and is taken from an ancient Gaelic blessing.

This year's theme for the Creation Season is 'Peace with Creation,' based on Isaiah 32.14-18, in which Isaiah describes a desolated creation without peace or hope. This prayer looks to God to bring us the hope and expectation of a peaceful earth — not by standing still and being quiet, but by action, change and reconciliation which will bring healing.

SERVICES & OPEN CHURCHES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. 7 th	10.00am	Holy Communion	Harby
	10.00am	Joyful Noise	Collingham All Saints
	10am-4pm	Open Churches	Besthorpe and Girton
	11am-4pm	Open Church	Thorney
Tues. 9 th	10.00am	Pause for Thought	Collingham St John the Baptist
	10am-noon	Open Church	Collingham St John the Baptist
Thurs. 11 th			
Sat. 13 th	1.30-3.30pm	Open Church	Winthorpe

Open Churches: Holme and Langford churches are open every day, 10am to 4pm. Collingham All Saints is open every day, whenever the "Church Open" sign is displayed.

NOTICES

All Saints Winthorpe presents The Return of the Collingham Singers! Join us on Sunday 21st September at 2.30pm for a heartwarming afternoon of music, poetry and entertainment. This year's performance explores the theme of "Home" through song, verse and more! Tickets: £10 inc. refreshments, available from Joan Lord (07792 110540) or Tisha Applewhite (07896 822424).

The next meeting for Lay Leaders is to be held on MONDAY 29TH SEPTEMBER, at 7pm at ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, Collingham. The meeting will start with some discussion on outreach to children and young families throughout the ETG. It will be interesting to hear what is already happening in our villages and to discuss ways of moving forward. We will allow an hour for this. This is for ANYONE who is interested in helping with children and families in our villages, even if not involved at the moment. Then we will move on to discuss some of the October readings, but we will understand if some people don't wish to stay. This meeting is expected to start at 7pm and finish at 9pm the latest. We look forward to seeing you.

Safeguarding: Val Watson and Sally Lee are our Parish Safeguarding Officers (PSOs). If you have any safeguarding concerns, please contact either of them – see Contacts below. More information about safeguarding can be found on our website, www.easttrentchurches.org.uk.

Churches Together in Collingham are holding two regular house groups in the village to share a time of fellowship, prayer and discussion every alternate week. Everyone is welcome – if you're interested and would like more information, please ring Duncan Smith on 07394 325675.

For information on the **Newark Food Bank** and the **Collingham Area Pantry** please see the <u>Community Action</u> page on our website (under 'About Us' on the menu).

NEXT SUNDAY 14th September – Holy Cross Day

10.00am	Holy Communion	Girton
10.00am	Morning Worship	Collingham St John the Baptist
10.15am	Morning Worship	Winthorpe
10.30am	Morning Worship	Clifton
10am-noon	Open Church	Collingham St John the Baptist
10am-4pm	Open Churches	Besthorpe and Girton
11am-4pm	Open Church	Thorney

Readings for next Sunday: Numbers 21.4-9; Psalm 22.23-28; Philippians 2.6-11; John 3.13-17.

PRAYER

Please pray for:

- Peace in the Middle East, Ukraine, Russia and all other countries where there is conflict.
- At the beginning of Fairtrade Fortnight, we pray for the poorest labourers in developing countries, including children, who are paid so little and expected to work so hard but have no choice if they are to survive.
- Those who have recently died: Elisabeth Quibell.
- In our year's mind: John Craven, Robert Clark, John Cotton, Susan Cook, Anne Beevers, Roy Gresswell, Winnie Sunman, Doris Smith, Doreen Spowage.

CONTACTS

PASTORAL ENQUIRIES ~ Please contact your church warden(s).

SAFEGUARDING – Val Watson (07815 644236) or Sally Lee (01522 778691).

ALL OTHER ENQUIRIES, INCLUDING WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS, AND ITEMS FOR GRAPEVINE ~

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http://www.easttrentchurches.org.uk/community/east-trent-churches-7910/grapevine