

# The Wycliffe Fellowship

# Services and Events

September to December 2025



Autumn Term 2025

# Coming Up ...

#### Vision For Growth

Growth is at the core of the Christian faith. Growth involves both our personal transformation and the growth of the Christian community. This term, we will be looking at our vision to grow in



holiness and commitment (growth in depth) and growth of the number of disciples of Jesus Christ (growth in numbers). It is God alone who gives growth (I Corinthians 3: 5-9) and we will explore how Jesus went about calling, teaching, training, equipping and sending disciples so we can go and do likewise.

#### **Harvest Festivals**

This year's Harvest Festivals are Sunday 21st September in Cotesbach, Sunday 28th September in Bitteswell and as part of the service on 19th October at Lutterworth. Donate a gift of dried/packaged food or money to the



Lutterworth and Villages Foodbank (no fresh fruit/vegetables).

# **Sunday Evening Services**

Compline is a service of quietness and reflection before rest at the end of the day and is usually held on the Ist Sunday of the month. Choral Evensong will also be sung on Sunday 5th October and 30th November at 4pm at St Mary's Lutterworth. See overleaf for details.

# **Prayer Gatherings**

Our monthly prayer meeting usually run on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month in Lutterworth Church at 7pm. These are a led time of readings, discussion and prayer. Everyone is welcome to join these gatherings.

# The Alpha Course

Alpha is a course aimed at introducing people to the Christian faith. After a simple meal, talks are designed to create conversation in small groups. It's totally free, and everyone's welcome. Starting Wednesday 17th September. Contact the office for more details.

#### **Bereavement Course**

Our Bereavement Course is for anyone who has lost a loved one. It starts on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September and runs for 7 sessions. It's free of charge. Contact the office for more details.

#### **Children**

Our Children's Group meets during the I lam Sunday services, with activities and games themed around our Bible passage of the week.

This year's 'Bright and Light Party' includes games, crafts, and a bonfire as we think about Jesus being the "Light of the World". Join us at the Rectory Gardens (LE17 4SH) on Friday 31st October 5.30 to 7pm.

Little Acorns Toddler Group runs from 10 to 11.30am every Monday (term-time). A great place for children to play, for parents to relax with coffee and cake, as well as hearing stories and singing songs about Jesus.



#### Youth

We meet fortnightly on Thursday evenings (7 to 8.45pm) as a youth group to play games, get to know one another and think about a story from the Bible. This term, we will also be meeting fortnightly on Sunday evenings (5 to 6.30pm) for a Youth Alpha course, asking what it means to have faith and exploring who Jesus is.

#### **Service to Remember**

The 'Service to Remember' that helps us to remember 'those we have loved but see no longer' is being held in Lutterworth on Saturday 1st November at 4.00pm. It is an opportunity to remember loved ones who have died, and includes hymns, readings and the lighting of candles.

# Remembrance Sunday

Remembrance Sunday (9<sup>th</sup> November) will be marked with special services, allowing participation in the national act of remembrance.

# Christmas . . .

Look out for our Christmas services – details available in November.

# September

**Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September** Vision For Growth (Matthew 16. 13-19) 9.30 am Cotesbach Morning Prayer 11.00 am Lutterworth Sunday @ 11 with Holy Communion Compline 4.00 pm Lutterworth **Sunday 14th September Growing Disciples** (Matt 28. 16-20) 8.00 am Lutterworth Holy Communion (said BCP) Holy Communion 9.30 am Bitteswell Sunday @ 11 11.00 am Lutterworth **Sunday 21st September Growing Younger** (Jeremiah 1.4-10) 9.30 am Cotesbach Harvest Festival (Phil 4. 4-9) Sunday @ 11 11.00 am Lutterworth Prayer Meeting 7.00 pm Lutterworth **Sunday 28th September Growing Prayer** (Ephesians 3. 14-21) Holy Communion (said BCP) 8.00 am Lutterworth Harvest Festival (Phil 4.4-9) 9.30 am Bitteswell 11.00 am Lutterworth Sunday @ 11 October Sunday 5th October **Growing Finance** (Exodus 36.1-7) 9.30 am Cotesbach Morning Prayer Sunday @ 11 with Holy Communion 11.00 am Lutterworth

4.00 pm Lutterworth **Choral Evensong** 

Sunday 12th October Growing a Welcome (Matthew 9. 10-17) Holy Communion (said BCP) 8.00 am Lutterworth

Holy Communion 9.30 am Bitteswell

Sunday @ 11 11.00 am Lutterworth

**Sunday 19th October Growing Fruit and Gifts** (John 15. 1-17)

> 9.30 am Cotesbach Holy Communion Sunday @ II (with Harvest Gifts) 11.00 am Lutterworth

Prayer Meeting 7.00 pm Lutterworth

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October Growing and Change (Phil 3. 10-16)** 

> Holy Communion (said BCP) 8.00 am Lutterworth

9.30 am Bitteswell Holy Communion

Sunday @ 11 11.00 am Lutterworth

Note - 4th January 2026, 9.30am Cotesbach (Morning Prayer) 11.00am Lutterworth (Holy Communion)

# November

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November Growing Calling (Isaiah 6. I-8) 9.30 am Cotesbach Morning Prayer Sunday @ 11 with Holy Communion 11.00 am Lutterworth 4.00 pm Lutterworth Compline Sunday 9th November **Remembrance Sunday** Holy Communion (said BCP) 8.00 am Lutterworth 9.30 am Lutterworth Remembrance Service 9.30 am Cotesbach Remembrance Service 10.50 am Bitteswell Act of Remembrance Sunday 16th November **Growing Leaders** (I Timothy 3. I-10) 9.30 am Cotesbach Holy Communion Sunday @ 11 11.00 am Lutterworth Prayer Meeting 7.00 pm Lutterworth Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November A Growing Church (Acts 2. 42-47) Holy Communion (said BCP) 8.00 am Lutterworth Holy Communion 9.30 am Bitteswell Sunday @ 11 11.00 am Lutterworth Sunday 30th November Advent I 9.30 am Cotesbach Morning Prayer Sunday @ 11 with Holy Communion 11.00 am Lutterworth 4.00 pm Lutterworth Choral Evensong with Advent Carols December **Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> December** Advent 2 9.30 am Cotesbach Morning Prayer Sunday @ 11 (with Holy Communion) 11.00 am Lutterworth **Sunday 14th December** Advent 3 Holy Communion (said BCP) 8.00 am Lutterworth 11.00 am Lutterworth Sunday @ 11 Readings and Carols for All Ages 6.00 pm Bitteswell Sunday 21st December Advent 4 Holy Communion 9.30 am Cotesbach Sunday @ 11 11.00 am Lutterworth 9 Lessons and Carols 5.00 pm Lutterworth

Christmas I

Joint Service (Holy Communion)

Sunday 28th December

11.00 am Lutterworth

# **Regular Activities**

# Sunday @ 11

Sunday @ II is an informal service every Sunday at II am at St Mary's in Lutterworth. It includes contemporary music, bible teaching and the opportunity for prayer and response.

There are separate activities for children aged 0 to 11 that run during the service in the church café. Toys, a crèche space and changing facilities are available for the very young.

Refreshments are available all morning and we encourage people to stay after the service for fellowship, and to chat and pray if helpful.

#### **Traditional Services**

Our traditional services of Holy Communion and Morning Prayer are taken from Common Worship (CW) and will be familiar to those with experience of Church of England services. They include hymns and music led by the organ or keyboard. The churches at Cotesbach and Bitteswell work in partnership to have Sunday services at 9.30am. You will receive a warm welcome and refreshments are served after the service.

A service of Holy Communion from the Book of Common Prayer (BCP) is held at 8am in Lutterworth Church on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays. It uses traditional language and is a peaceful and refreshing way to start the day.

Compline is a short, quiet and reflective service of prayers and readings, based on a monastic service that is used to end the day. We usually say Compline on the first Sunday of the month at Lutterworth Church at 4pm.

#### **Midweek Service**

We meet every Wednesday at 10.30am at St Mary's Lutterworth. This gentle, traditional service of Holy Communion includes prayers, some hymns, bible readings and a 'thought for the day'. Bible readings are taken from the Common Worship Lectionary and follow the church's year and seasons.

Refreshments are served after the service in the café, which provides an opportunity for fellowship. (There is no service on 24/12 and 31/12 – back as normal on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2026).



#### Online Church

Sunday @ II and the Wednesday service of Holy Communion are live-streamed through our website at <a href="https://www.lutterworthchurch.org/live">www.lutterworthchurch.org/live</a>

#### Church Café

St Mary's Lutterworth is open daily for visitors (except term-time Mondays) from 10am to 12 noon, and is a peaceful place for refreshments and a chat.

### **Life Groups**

Lifegroups are small groups that meet in the week for support, bible study, and prayer. There are daytime and evening groups on various days and locations throughout the week. The groups are open to new members so do contact us if you're interested in joining one.

#### **Life Events**

As a group of Church of England churches, we have the privilege to regularly have Baptisms (Christenings), Weddings, Renewal of Wedding Vows, Funerals and the Interment of Ashes. Feel free to get in touch if we can help with any of these life events.

## **Weekly News**

Our weekly news e-mail is also a good way of keeping up to date with all of the great things going on in our church and community. Contact the Church Office to be added to the circulation list.

#### **Contact Us**

Feel free to contact Nigel, Ben or the Church Office for more information about any of these services, events, groups and activities. You can find our contact details at the back of this booklet.

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# The Wycliffe Fellowship

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