

**Notices: Alive @ 4:** This service is happening today, 18<sup>th</sup> Sept, at 4pm in St Michael's Rooms. There will be fun, fellowship, bible stories, activities, crafts and high tea. For details ring Mary on 638897 or Wendy on 720125.

**Tower building work:** This starts tomorrow. On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> access around the outside of the tower will be closed because of the risk of falling material. There will be warning notices up. Also the bells will be disengaged for the 3 to 4 weeks of work so there will be no bell ringing and no chimes for the clock.

**Children's activities during the 9.30am service:**

Deborah, Edith or Victoria would be very pleased if any children here today would like to come and join in some Sunday school activities in the Tower Room just before the sermon starts.

**THANK YOU** to those of you who continue to contribute to the food bank bin at the back of church. Everything from St Michaels goes to Woodbridge Salvation Army. Unfortunately they say the need is still as urgent as ever. Many people they help are homeless and don't have access to cookers, so could you bear that in mind when you are buying. Tinned meat or fish and other basics are the most urgently needed (all within sell by date please.) Many thanks and keep them coming. Sandy Rowles

**The Healing Team:** Two members of the Healing Group will be in our Space for Grace after the 9.30 service today for anyone to share their concerns, doubts, fears or worries. It is done in complete confidence.

**Knit and Stitch:** The next meeting is at 2pm on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October in church. By then Harvest will be over and the sea creatures we have been making put away. So, before we know it, Christmas will be upon us and we have a stall of goodies to make for 3<sup>rd</sup> December. Do come and join us for a cuppa; we chat and share our skills and materials. More details Mary: 638897 or Geraldine: 727489

The  
**Church of Saint Michael  
Framlingham**  
with All Saints Saxtead



## **The Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity September 18<sup>th</sup> 2016**

### **Today's Service:**

**Processional Hymn:** 19 All my hope on God is founded

**Gradual Hymn:** 811 What a friend we have in Jesus

**Offertory Hymn:** 687 Take my life, and let it be

**Final Hymn:** 454 Lord for the years

**Collect:** Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you; pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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 forever. Amen.

**First Reading:** 1 Timothy 2 v 1 – 7

My dearly beloved, 1 I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, 2 for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. 3 This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, 4 who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, 6 who gave himself a ransom for all – this was attested at the right time. 7 For this I was appointed a herald

and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Response (ALL) Thanks be to God.**

**Gradual hymn:** 811 What a friend we have in Jesus

**Alleluia: (ALL) Alleluia x 6**

**GOSPEL: Luke 16 v 1-13**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Response (ALL): Glory to you O Lord.

1 Jesus said to the disciples, 'There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. 2 So he summoned him and said to him, "What is this that I hear about you? Give me an account of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer." 3 Then the manager said to himself, "What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. 4 I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes." 5 So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, "How much do you owe my master?" 6 He answered, "A hundred jugs of olive oil." He said to him, "Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty." 7 Then he asked another, "And how much do you owe?" He replied, "A hundred containers of wheat." He said to him, "Take your bill and make it eighty." 8 And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. 9 And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes. 10

Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. 11 If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? 12 And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? 13 No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Response (ALL): Praise to you O Christ.

**Post Communion:** Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Please pray for:** Angela Long, Doreen Burrows, Michael Bridges, Olwin Bridges, Desmond and Renee Clifton, Trevor Newton, Joyce Davis and any who are unwell at this time.

**Wednesday** 21st September – 10.30am Holy Communion in St Michael's.

**Next Sunday:** Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> September: 8am Eucharist (Book of Common Prayer.) 9.30am Parish Communion (Common Worship).

Saxtead: 11.15am Morning Prayer.

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