

# Friendship Faith

*The Vicar Writes...*

October 2017

Dear Friends,

As I write this I'm recovering from the Dasset Magna Parishes Walk on the 9th September. People and dogs from our group of churches walked to visit each of the 6 churches. Some people did the whole walk others joined for parts or just met us at the churches where we sang a hymn, said a prayer and shared refreshments - croissants in Gaydon, coffee in Fenny Compton, lunch at Farnborough, drinks at Avon Dasset, finishing with tea and cake at Burton Dasset. Over 10 miles walked, over 28,000 steps and over 2600 calories burned according to Fitbit! (That excused the cake!!) we started at 10, finished around 4.30. The legs are stiff now, but it was a lovely walk despite getting wet!

By the time you read this we will have had our Harvest services in the various parishes as well as a Group Pet Service - great community services for all the family. If you missed them then why not join us for our October services and events.

On 1st October we will have our first **P@thway - Praise@Temple Herdewyke** in the Temple Herdewyke Community Centre. This will be held on the 1st Sunday of each month - from 4.15pm to 5.30pm. It includes 'tea & hospitality, a short, informal, interactive, service of worship, followed by separate activities for children and adults designed to help all to explore the bible and Christian spirituality through song, discussion and creative activities.

As a group of Parishes we try to hold several services a year, which rotate around the group, where the congregations worship together. We were at St. Peter & St. Clare, Fenny Compton on Palm Sunday followed by All Saints Burton Dasset on 30th April. Then on a sunny, quite warm Sunday in August we had an informal service and BBQ in the vicarage garden! This month we will have an evening **Taizé service, 6pm 29th October, at St. Botolph, Farnborough**. If you've not experienced a Taizé service, it's one not to be missed.

Do you or your children like playing with LEGO? !! Yes, then keep reading! The church has obtained funding to set up "**The Brick BUS**" a **weekly LEGO Club to be held in the Chapel of Ease in Northend**. It will be after school - time and day of the week not yet decided. We are presently in the planning stage and looking for people who will join the organisation team. Please don't think "Oh, someone else will do that". We need your help. If enough come forward the commitment will be smaller. Without enough people it will not happen! If you can help please contact me Tel. 07769871237 or chat2rev.nicki@gmail.com

Every blessing,

*Rev'd Nicki*