

Newsletter October 2018

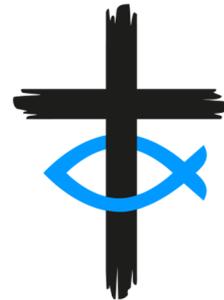
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Preachers in October

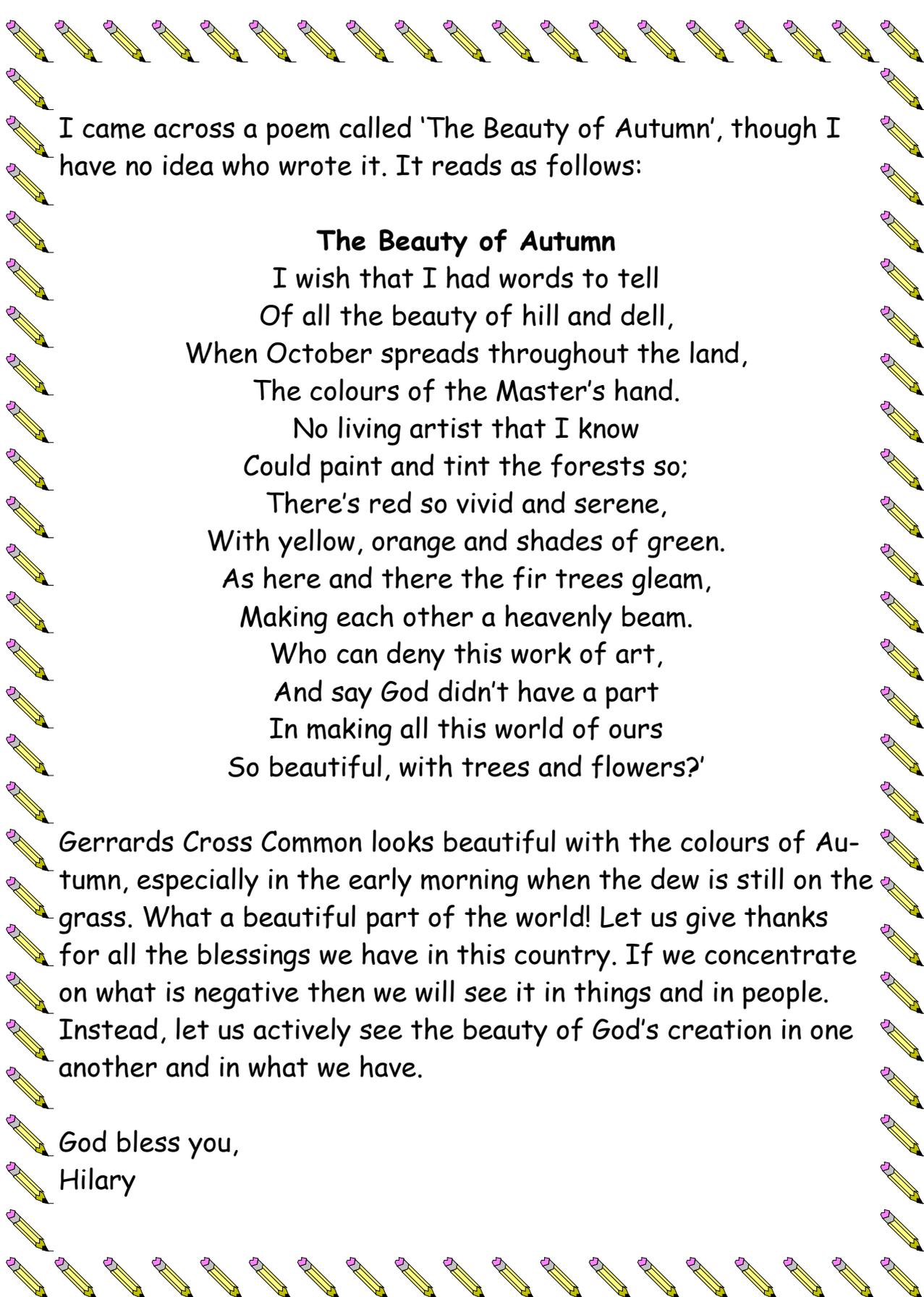
7th Miss Hilary McClintock
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28th Miss Hilary McClintock



Dear Friends,

This year we will be celebrating harvest with a family service on Sunday 14th October at our usual time of 10.30am, followed by lunch. Even if it is difficult for you to come to the morning service, it would still be lovely to see you at the lunch as we share friendship and fellowship - please just let Peggy Gorton know in advance if possible so we can estimate numbers attending.

Those who went to the Etorpe Hotel one Sunday lunch in August shared a lovely time together, and the consensus was that we should have another one before Christmas in addition to our harvest lunch day.



I came across a poem called 'The Beauty of Autumn', though I have no idea who wrote it. It reads as follows:

The Beauty of Autumn

I wish that I had words to tell
Of all the beauty of hill and dell,
When October spreads throughout the land,
The colours of the Master's hand.
No living artist that I know
Could paint and tint the forests so;
There's red so vivid and serene,
With yellow, orange and shades of green.
As here and there the fir trees gleam,
Making each other a heavenly beam.
Who can deny this work of art,
And say God didn't have a part
In making all this world of ours
So beautiful, with trees and flowers?'

Gerrards Cross Common looks beautiful with the colours of Autumn, especially in the early morning when the dew is still on the grass. What a beautiful part of the world! Let us give thanks for all the blessings we have in this country. If we concentrate on what is negative then we will see it in things and in people. Instead, let us actively see the beauty of God's creation in one another and in what we have.

God bless you,
Hilary



Don't forget !

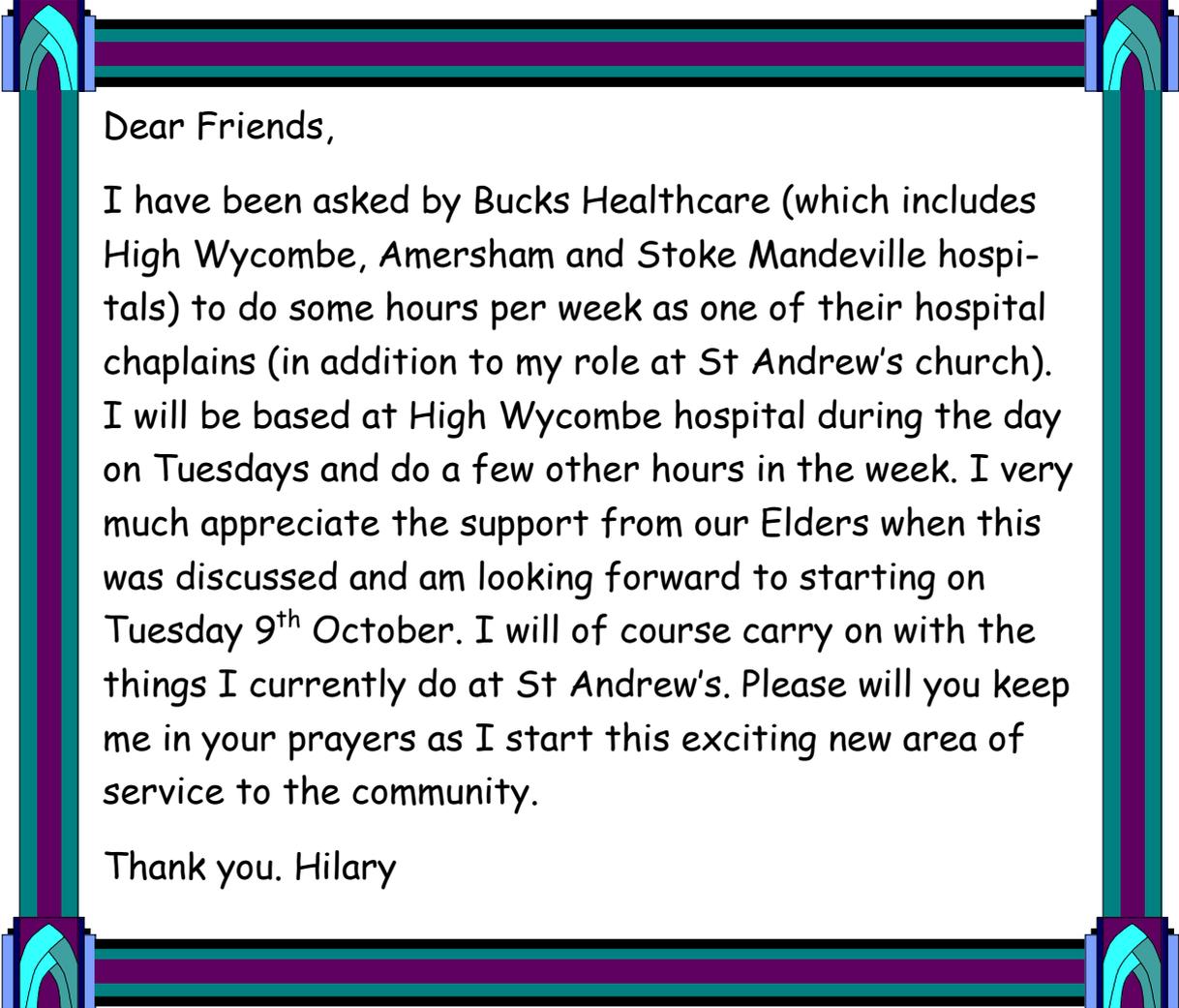
Harvest festival followed by Harvest Lunch

in aid of WaterAid

is on Sunday 14th October

Please add your name to the lunch list if you can stay.

If you can make a pudding please speak to Peggy.



Dear Friends,

I have been asked by Bucks Healthcare (which includes High Wycombe, Amersham and Stoke Mandeville hospitals) to do some hours per week as one of their hospital chaplains (in addition to my role at St Andrew's church). I will be based at High Wycombe hospital during the day on Tuesdays and do a few other hours in the week. I very much appreciate the support from our Elders when this was discussed and am looking forward to starting on Tuesday 9th October. I will of course carry on with the things I currently do at St Andrew's. Please will you keep me in your prayers as I start this exciting new area of service to the community.

Thank you. Hilary

What are you doing in October?

<u>Date</u>	<u>Duty Elder</u>	<u>Stewards</u>	<u>Reader</u>
7th	C. Gooding	V. Gormley, D. Gorton	A. Elliott
14th	A. Elliott	J. Pinchess, A. Vanner	A. Vanner
21st	F. Smith	M. Holloway, F. Fraser	S. Vaughan
28th	D. McMullan	H. McMullan, F. Smith	G. Gorton

Serving Elders: C. Gooding, P. Gorton

Communion Table: P. Gorton

Flowers:

7th	V. Gormley
14th	Harvest—A. Vanner, J. Pinchess
21st	J. Marsh
28th	



The November Newsletter is due to be distributed on Sunday 4th November 2018. Any items for inclusion should be with Peggy Gorton on or before Thursday 1st November please.
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