

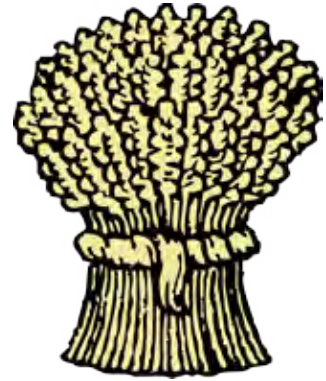
Marcham Baptist Church

(Packhorse Lane)

September 2009

Sunday Morning Worship at 10.30 am

(Communion every first Sunday).



Our special service this month

Harvest Thanksgiving

Sunday September 27th at 10-30am

Speaker: Mr. Paul Revell of Cholsey Baptist Church

This will be followed by a light harvest lunch
served in the hall.

Everyone welcome

We have a service every Sunday at about 10.30am

At this time of the year when we see the harvests being gathered in on the fields round about Marcham, most Christian churches also dedicate a Sunday service specially to give thanks to God for the harvest. Here at Marcham Baptist we do this on September 27th.

It is always a joyful occasion with the building festively decorated by fresh vegetables and flowers. It is good to give thanks annually like this, but are we also remembering to thank God daily for blessing us with food to eat? This is the purpose of "saying grace" before our main meals. We are not to take our food for granted, even more so if we eat meat, because we should not forget that one of God's creatures has been sacrificed to provide us with food. Other food stuffs we eat may have been farmed by people on meagre subsistence wages, or flown across the world at great environmental cost.

These are sobering thoughts. Food is not to be taken for granted, but to be consumed with a discerning mind and a grateful heart to our God.

W. Crapels

Mrs. Ruth Barrett (1920-2009)

On 30th July, we lost a much-loved member of our Church – dear Ruth. Associated with Marcham Baptist all her life, Ruth's tireless work for the Lord was an example to us all. Musically gifted, she played the Church organ for many years. She is now with the Lord she loved, and has earned her rest. Ruth will be greatly missed.

'God is our refuge and strength'.

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