



Diocesan Liturgical Committee
from The Reverend Canon Richard Ames-Lewis, Chair

A Day Course for Lay People in Leading Worship

Saturday 1st March 2008, 9.30 am – 4.00 pm
at St Lawrence’s Church South Walsham

Sometimes our churchwardens or senior lay people find themselves thrust into the limelight and having to lead an act of worship. This is especially true in multi-parish benefices, where, in the absence of a priest or a licensed Reader, a service will not happen unless someone steps in.

The Diocesan Liturgical Committee are putting on this day course to supplement training already being provided in the parish, with the aim of providing competence and commonality across the diocese. We aim to lay on a similar day on the west side of the diocese later in the year.

The day will be in two parts, the first part in the morning will include

- Opening plenary “What is worship?”
- Workshops (participants to join in two)
 - What is a Service of the Word
 - How to use the Psalter and Lectionary
 - How to read from Scripture / lead Intercessions
 - How to choose hymns
- Plenary “How to lead Worship.”
- Act of Worship (Service of the Word) which will incorporate material prepared in the workshops

The second part in the afternoon will look in more depth at

- Use of Silence
- Creative ways of presenting readings
- Following a theme (e.g. a Festival, Saint or event)
- Family Services / all age worship
- Creative ways of leading intercessions

We hope that participants will stay for the whole day. Please bring your own lunch. The cost of the day will be met from the Diocesan Lay Development budget.

Please complete the slip below before 1st February to register.

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Name Parish.....

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Signed..... Incumbent’s signature

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