

Crowland Abbey

FROM THE RECTOR



Spring has finally sprung. The longer days, and the sunshine, accompanied by the spring flowers everywhere, bring joy and hope to the world. I have to say that my chickens are enjoying the warmth of the spring sunshine, after weeks of looking as if wellies and macs would be a better look than their sodden feathers, and having the dogs trot back from their walks clean and dry is another bonus. Everything seems easier when we are not wet and muddy.

Spring is England at its best and as the biblical flood, waters have gone and the fields are at last beginning to dry out, it is a time to celebrate the beauty of our creation, in all its wonderful detail. The green spaces around the Abbey offers a wonderful opportunity to embrace some peace and be still, listening to the bird song and looking at the many plants which make the ancient spaces so rich and diverse, because they are ancient just like the Abbey.

As the warmer weather and longer days come, embrace the joy and wonder of creation and if you would like to give thanks to the God of creation, why don't you come along to a service. You would find a warm welcome and friends, some you may know and some you have yet to meet.

God bless you this spring.

Rev. Carolyn

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