

Village Lunch Report 2019

The village lunch, which is run by members of Little Munden church aims to reach out to the local community with friendship, support and hospitality.

It is a self-supporting project with diners invited to contribute a £5 donation.

We have had another successful year, averaging on 45-50 people attending each month. It is advertised by posters around the villages and in the church newsletter, also the pews sheets in our churches.

We have a wonderful large team of volunteers who work very hard but with very happy hearts to cook, serve and clear away, the friendship, and atmosphere in the hall each month is absolutely wonderful, full of chatter and laughter.

The lunch is opened with a welcoming prayer and in between the starter and main is a short break where a 5 minute testimony or Christian message is shared. Up until June this year Alan Comfort gave the short talk, but since he left we have had a variety of people from our congregation either giving a testimony or a short talk of how being a Christian has changed their lives. We have also had a few outside lay people and ministers giving a short talk. These have all worked very well and been appreciated by the diners. We are also very fortunate to have Little Munden School involved, they visit us about 3 times a year, Easter, Harvest and Christmas, and have performed some wonderful singing and dancing which has gone down extremely well, we are very grateful and always look forward to them coming, and thank them very much.

We continue to set the tables with a fruit cocktail drink, bread and butter, menu and fresh flowers, for the diners to enjoy before we get started, they are waited on by a team of 3 for each table, so they all get served at the same time (6 diners to a table). We serve a starter, a main with a vegetarian option, followed by coffee.

We often theme the meal Valentine day with heart napkins and heart chocolates with coffee, Easter would be little eggs and bunnies and Easter eggs, Christmas brings crackers and small gifts to take home.

At the end of each meal a small beautifully wrapped favor is given to each diner, with a label giving an uplifting bible verse on one side and the date of the next lunch on the other.

Our April menu
Sausage and Mash
Or
Nut Roast and Mash
Served with Yorkshire Pudding
Roast med Veg
And Onion Gravy

Carrot Cake or
Chocolate Brownie
And Ice Cream

A big thanks to the Hall Committee who have been extremely helpful in providing us with a large cupboard and making sure things work and keeping the place clean.

And a huge thank you to all the diners who come along each month or when ever they can.

And a great big thanks to all the team who without you this wouldn't work.

Deborah Oven and Rebecca Wells.

