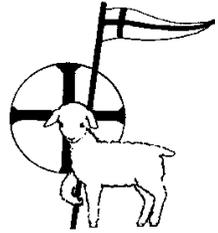


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## **NEWSLETTER**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October 2017**

**The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

*Welcome to this historic church at the centre of a lively rural community. Refreshments are served after the 9.30 service. Do take this newsletter away to read later.*

### **9.30 a.m. Family Service**

*led by the Youth Ministry Team*

*Songs: All from NHWS 52, 232, 111, 296, 212, 297*

*Our God is a great Big God.*

*This morning we pick apart The Lord's Prayer, exploring where it comes from and what we are saying when we pray it.*

*After this service there is an opportunity to receive prayer either for your own or another's needs in St Andrew's Chapel at the east end of the Church*

### **6.00 p.m. Parish Communion**

*Celebrant: The Revd Joanna Naish*

*Organist: Sally Hayter*

*Readings overleaf*

*Hymns: : 332 omit \*, 374, 338 omit \*, 368*

### **SERVICES DURING THE WEEK**

Holy Communion is said on Wednesdays at 1000 and on Fridays at 0800

**Next Sunday we celebrate our Harvest Festival with a special service at 11.15am. More details elsewhere in this newsletter. All welcome.**

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## **The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity**

### **The Collect**

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever **Amen.**

### **The First Reading: Ezekiel 18.1-4; 25 to end**

The word of the LORD came to me: What do you mean by repeating this proverb concerning the land of Israel, 'The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge'? As I live, says the Lord GOD, this proverb shall no more be used by you in Israel. Know that all lives are mine; the life of the parent as well as the life of the child is mine: it is only the person who sins that shall die. Yet you say, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' Hear now, O house of Israel: Is my way unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? When the righteous turn away from their righteousness and commit iniquity, they shall die for it; for the iniquity that they have committed they shall die. Again, when the wicked turn away from the wickedness they have committed and do what is lawful and right, they shall save their life. Because they considered and turned away from all the transgressions that they had committed, they shall surely live; they shall not die. Yet the house of Israel says, 'The way of the Lord is unfair.' O house of Israel, are my ways unfair? Is it not your ways that are unfair? Therefore I will judge you, O house of Israel, all of you according to your ways, says the Lord GOD. Repent and turn from all your transgressions; otherwise iniquity will be your ruin. Cast away from you all the transgressions that you have committed against me, and get yourselves a new heart and a new spirit! Why will you die, O house of Israel? For I have no pleasure in the death of anyone, says the Lord GOD. Turn, then, and live.

### **Psalm 25.1-8**

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; O my God, in you I trust; let me not be put to shame; let not my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame:  
but let the treacherous be shamed and frustrated.

Make me to know your ways, O Lord: and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me: for you are the God of my  
salvation; for you have I hoped all the day long.

Remember Lord, your compassion and love;,  
for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth or my transgressions;,  
but think on me in your goodness O Lord, according to your steadfast  
love.

Gracious and upright is the Lord;  
therefore shall he teach sinners in the way.

He will guide the humble in doing right; and teach his way to the lowly.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy / Spirit; as it was in  
the beginning is now and shall be for ever, Amen.

### **The Second Reading : Philippians 2.1-13**

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, to make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name so that at the name of Jesus every knee shall bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should

confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

### **The Gospel: Matthew 21.23-32**

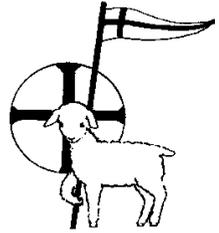
When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, 'By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?' Jesus said to them, 'I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?' And they argued with one another, 'If we say, "From heaven", he will say to us, "Why then did you not believe him?" But if we say, "Of human origin", we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.' So they answered Jesus, 'We do not know.' And he said to them, 'Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. 'What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, "Son, go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not"; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, "I go, sir"; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?' They said, 'The first.' Jesus said to them, 'Truly I tell you, the tax-collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax-collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him

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#### **Thought for the week**

Life without a Festival is a long road without an inn  
*Democritus of Ardera*

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## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

Wednesday October 4<sup>th</sup>: 3pm.

### **Tisbury's Afternoon Tea: Hinton Hall**

**On your own?** Come along for afternoon tea and a chat on Wednesday for free cream tea and CAKE. More info: 871559.

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> October: 7.30pm Victoria Hall

### **A CABARET EVENING**

*Cabaret* – a lively new collaboration between TAG (the Tisbury Arts Group) and the St John's Swingers in the Victoria Hall. Come and hear jazz and popular music and songs while you sit at tables with your drinks and nibbles. Licensed bar. Tickets £5 from Kate Good Pottery Tisbury High Street. Further information 01747 870525

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October: HARVEST FESTIVAL

The Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

**8.00 a.m. Holy Communion**

*Celebrant: The Revd Elaine Brightwell*

**11.15 a.m. Parish Communion: Harvest Festival**

*Celebrant: The Revd Joanna Naish*

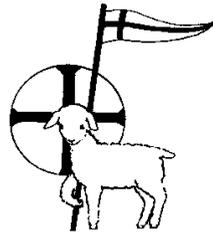
**6.00 p.m. Questioning Faith**

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> October: 9.30 – 4.00pm.

### **Prayer Day**

St John's needs all our help to keep going; to pay our diocesan and team shares along with all the day-to-day running costs. Come and join in the Prayer Day, as we seek God's provision for our church. See separate notice.

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# HARVEST FESTIVAL

## Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> October 2017



***Come, ye thankful people, come***

### **11.15am: Festal Parish Communion.**

*Celebrant: The Revd Joanna Naish.*

Deuteronomy 8. 7-18; Psalm 65; 2 Corinthians 9.6-15; Luke 12.16-30

Hymns: 259, NHWS 63 (t; East Acklam), 261, 262.

Gloria (The Lincoln Setting) *Malcolm Archer*

Sanctus, Agnus Dei (Missa Brevis Sancti Johannis de Deo) *Haydn*

Thou visitest the earth *Maurice Greene*

*Offerings of non-perishable goods will be gratefully accepted during the service; these will be donated to the Trussell Trust.*

*followed by*

### **Harvest Lunch in the Hinton Hall.**

You are invited to a *Bring and Share* lunch at the Hinton Hall. There is a list of food suggestions in church, or just bring your favourite dish.

Drinks are provided. Do come and join us. For further information phone Sally 870731 or Trish 871108