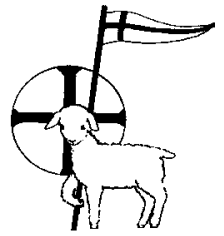


Church of St John the Baptist, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 11th October

The Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Today's services

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

Fonthill Bishop

President: The Revd Juliette Hulme

9.30am Parish Communion

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Mass of St Thomas David Thorne

200 Jesus calls us o'er the tumult (omit v 2)

457 The King of love my shepherd is

431 O thou who camest from above

Bread of the world in mercy broken *Anthony Baldwin*

443 Rejoice the Lord is King

Voluntary: Prelude and Fugue in F *J S Bach.*

This week

Wednesday at 8.00am Morning Prayer (*St Andrew's Chapel*)

Wednesday at 10.00am Holy Communion (*Nave*)

For details of weekday services online, please see our website www.tisburyparishchurch.org

Next Sunday, 18th October

St Luke the Evangelist

9.30am Family Communion

Led by the Revd Joanna Naish

6.00pm Choral Evensong (St Andrew's Chapel)

Officiant: The Revd Joanna Naish

The church is open for private prayer on Sundays between 5.00 and 6.00pm and on Wednesdays from 8.00am to 5.00pm. Please follow the directions on the notices at the church.

Please pray ...

Please pray for our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, and particularly that those whom we support as teachers and assistants will inspire the children.

Please pray for our Annual Meetings at the end of this month.

Please pray that committed people will offer themselves as members of the PCC - and consider prayerfully whether God may be calling you to serve in this way.



In Memoriam

We are sorry to report the death last weekend of Maureen Stack, a former member of our congregation.

Thank you from Juliette

Thank you so much to all of you who were able to come last Sunday to celebrate my 25th anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood and all our different ministries. Thank you for my beautiful flowers which are enhancing the Rectory. Thank you to Trish for the delicious iced Victoria sponge cake, which was thoroughly enjoyed by my family, friends & myself. I am delighted to be ministering amongst you here in Tisbury as your Parish Priest. May God continue to bless you all. *Juliette*

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The Collect for the Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, increase in us your gift of faith that, forsaking what lies behind and reaching out to that which is before, we may run the way of your commandments and win the crown of everlasting joy; 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 Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 25.1-9

O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong peoples will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

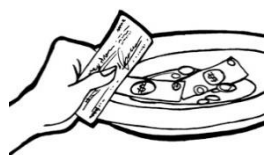
It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Gospel: Matthew 22.1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Giving to the church



Thank you very much to those who continue to give regularly to the church. If you haven't committed to regular giving, why not consider joining the Parish Giving Scheme or setting up a standing order? Details from Paul Naish, email sjgiftaid@gmail.com tel 01747 870731 / 07587 072900. Our income dropped significantly during lockdown, while expenses continued; any donations would be very welcome.

Wednesday 28 October at 7.00pm Annual Meetings

The Annual Meeting of Parishioners and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting, postponed from March, will be held on 28 October at 7.00pm in the church. All are welcome to the first of the two meetings, for the election of Churchwardens, but only members of the Church Electoral Roll may attend the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. Do check that your name is on the roll, which will be available in church during September – applications close on 14 October. Application forms are available in church or from Trish Liddiard, Electoral Roll Officer, tel 871 108.

Parochial Church Council

Would you be interested in having a say in matters concerning the church, and in shaping its future direction? If so, you might like to consider becoming a member of the PCC. You need to be a member of the Church Electoral Roll. For more information, please talk to Juliette, or to one of the Churchwardens, or to Judy Anderson, Parish Administrator. Elections are held at the APCM (see above).