reflecting Jesus Christ



# Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> September The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity Creationtide

Do stay for refreshments after the 9.30 service. These are served outside the north door in good weather, otherwise in church near the Lady Chapel. Please wear a face covering while collecting your refreshments and move away from the table once you have them; please keep social distancing in mind as you chat.

## Today's Service

9.30am All-Age Service for Creationtide Led by Canon Judy Anderson and the Revd Juliette Hulme In the Churchyard (weather permitting)

Hymns: 266 This is the day that the Lord has made; All creatures of our God and King; Our God is a great big God; 122 I, the Lord of sea and sky; 297 You shall go out with joy

Please bring a toy animal and/or a doll if you have one.

#### **Online services**

We shall not be livestreaming Sunday worship in the Nadder Valley via Zoom during September. You may like to join the Eucharist from Salisbury Cathedral at 11.00 on Sundays: <u>https://www.salisburycathedral.org.uk/live</u> Weekday services in the Nadder Valley continue via Zoom - details on our website.

#### Services during the week St Andrew's Chapel

Services of Holy Communion take place on Wednesdays at 10.00am (CW) and Fridays at 8.00am (BCP)

# Next Sunday, 29<sup>th</sup> August The Fifteenth Sunday after Trinity Proper 20

9.30am Parish Communion

President: The Revd Juliette Hulme Preacher: Canon Judy Anderson

#### 6.00pm Reflective Service

Led by the Revd Juliette Hulme

### Christian Aid asks us to pray for Afghanistan:

Pray for peace and protection for the Afghan people facing great uncertainty and the threat of serious human rights abuses, praying in particular for women, girls and ethnic and religious minorities in Afghanistan, that hard-won advancements in rights will not be reversed.

Pray for a coordinated and effective international response to the humanitarian crisis.

Pray for support to reach all those in need of emergency assistance in Afghanistan because of the compounded effects of conflict, climate change and Covid-19.

Pray in particular for the thousands of Afghan Internally Displaced People who are facing famine.

Pray for safe and open borders for all those who wish to and are able to leave Afghanistan. Pray that they would be met with sanctuary and hospitality.

Pray for all who remain, for courage and protection.

Pray for the halting of attacks on civil society. For effective political negotiations. Pray for peace.

## **Aid for Refugees**

We are in touch with the Community Engagement Manager at Wiltshire Council, who in turn is awaiting specific details on what the Home Office will ask them to do in response to the Afghan Refugee situation. We hope soon to know what are the most effective ways in which we can offer support to these refugees.

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## A Collect for Creationtide

God our Father, you never cease the work you have begun and prosper with your blessing all human labour: make us wise and faithful stewards of your gifts that we may serve the common good, maintain the fabric of our world and seek that justice where all may share the good things you pour upon us; 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.

An interactive interpretation of Genesis chapter I

In the beginning God created. God created the heavens and the earth.

Light from darkness, day from night

Waters below from waters above, Earth from seas;

Lights in the sky, Sun and moon and stars; And God saw that it was good.

Then God spoke and the earth brought forward plants of every kind – Grasses, flowers, bushes and trees.

Plants yielding seeds of every kind, Trees bearing fruit with the seed in it. **And God saw that it was good.** 

And God spoke again, And the waters filled with living creatures: Birds flew in the sky above the earth, The land teemed with living creatures of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God spoke humankind into being – both male and female – Created in the image of God to look after the whole of creation, Filled with the breath of God's creative Spirit.

God saw everything that he had made. And indeed, it was very good.

God sees us, gathered as the body of Christ to celebrate his creation. Let us worship our Creator!

#### Stewardship

A diocese-wide Stewardship Campaign begins on 12<sup>th</sup> September. Introducing it, Bishop Karen, our Acting Diocesan Bishop, writes, 'If we consider God's good gifts to each of us, we have much to be thankful for. In return there is a Biblical principle calling us to be generous stewards, giving back to God in response to what he has done for us.' The campaign focuses on God's generosity, giving thanks for all we have received, and our response, all underpinned by prayer. This theme will run through our sermons over the next few weeks, and a leaflet will be available giving suggestions to help us consider carefully this important aspect of our discipleship.

### 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? If you go to <u>www.parishgiving.org.uk</u> you can get onto the secure website and set up a login and password. This will enable you set up your own direct debit (and sign up for gift aid if applicable). If you require help or advice on giving, please contact Paul Naish, email <u>sjtgiftaid@gmail.com</u> tel 01747 870731. Cheques are payable to Tisbury PCC.