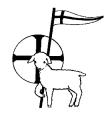
St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 25th September 2022

The 15th Sunday after Trinity Harvest Thanksgiving



8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

President: The Revd Juliette Hulme

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Juliette Hulme

Setting: Mass of St Thomas David Thorne Hymns: 259 Come, ye thankful people, come For the fruits of his creation (words overleaf) 261 To thee O Lord our hearts we raise

During Communion: All creatures of our God and King William Harris

Final hymn: 262 We plough the fields and scatter Organ voluntary: Cantique Op 3 No 1 Elgar

We invite you to bring for our Harvest Thanksgiving service tins and other non-perishable food items for the Trussell Trust.

The Revd Juliette Hulme is also leading worship at Holy Trinity, Fonthill Gifford, this morning

Next Sunday, 2nd October

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am All-Age Service

Led by the Revd Juliette Hulme

The theme of the service is Friendship. We very much hope that everyone will bring a friend (or friends) to the service with you. Invitation cards are available by the north door for you to take for your guests.

Sunday 9th October Visit of the Rt Revd Stephen Lake, Bishop of Salisbury

We have invited our new Bishop to preside and preach at our Parish Communion service on 9th October at 9.30am. Do come and welcome him to Tisbury!

Congratulations!

We congratulate Nicholas Tite and Virginia Cundy, married at St John's on Saturday 24th September. Please pray for them as they begin their married life together.

For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, we are asked to pray for the pastors and their families, that they may share the benefits of the help received.

Please pray for our new King, Charles III, for Camilla, Queen Consort, for William, Prince of Wales and for Catherine, Princess of Wales. We pray for all the Royal Family and others close to the Queen at this time of mourning.

We pray for the people of Pakistan suffering after severe floods, and for Aid Agencies working in disaster zones, that they may get aid through effectively.

We pray for countries with a poor harvest and for aid to reach them.



The Collect for Harvest Thanksgiving

Eternal God, you crown the year with your goodness and you give us the fruits of the earth in their season: grant that we may use them to your glory, for the relief of those in need and for our own well-being; 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.

The Old Testament Reading: Deuteronomy 26.1-11

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

Gradual Hymn

I For the fruits of his creation thanks be to God; for his gifts to every nation thanks be to God; for the ploughing, sowing, reaping, silent growth while we are sleeping, future needs in earth's safe keeping, thanks be to God.

2 In the just reward of labour, God's will is done; in the help we give our neighbour, God's will is done; in our worldwide task of caring for the hungry and despairing, in the harvests we are sharing, God's will is done.

3 For the harvests of the Spirit, thanks be to God; for the good we all inherit, thanks be to God; for the wonders that astound us, for the truths that still confound us, most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000)

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The Gospel: John 6.25-35

When they found Jesus on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal."

Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat." Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.

Giving to the church

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