## St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



## Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2022

### **Advent Sunday**

#### Today's services

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)
President and Preacher: The Revd Colin Fox

9.30am Parish Communion

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Setting: The Brecon Service *Philip Moore* Hymns: 11 O come, O come Emmanuel;

3 Come thou long expected Jesus; 16 Wake, O wake! During Communion: Advent Prose Stuart Robinson

9 Lo he comes with clouds descending

Organ Voluntary: Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme /S Bach



#### Services during the week

Services of Holy Communion are held on Wednesdays at 10.00am St Andrew's Chapel (CW) and Fridays at 8.00am in the Vestry (BCP). All are welcome.

Details of online services during the week may be found on our website www.tisburyparishchurch.org

#### **Next Sunday, 4th December**

# The Second Sunday of Advent Christingle



9.30am All-age Christingle Service

Led by the Revd Juliette Hulme and Canon Judy Anderson

Our All-Age service this month is a Christingle service. We shall light the second Advent candle, and the children will be invited to make a Christingle during the service. Our collection at the service will be for the Children's Society.

#### **Advent Boxes**

Our Advent boxes this year are for the Children's Society. Do please take a box and bring it back (full!) after Christmas. Information about the work of the charity may be found on its website: <a href="https://www.childrenssociety.org.uk">www.childrenssociety.org.uk</a>

#### Thank you!

A huge thank you to all who helped with and/or contributed to the Christmas Charites Fair on Saturday morning, and especially to Sally Naish who worked so hard to put it all together. Thank you, too, to those who came and supported it. The fair was very well attended, and raised valuable funds for our church and for the various charities who had stalls.

#### **Food Bank Donations**

You may have noticed that there is a box near the tills in the Tisbury Co-op for donations of food for the Salisbury Food Bank. It is very much hoped that those of us who are able will get into the habit of putting something into the box when we do our shopping. Any contributions would be very gratefully received.

#### The Collect for the First Sunday of Advent

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness and to put on the armour of light, now in the time of this mortal life, in which your Son Jesus Christ came to us in great humility; that on the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him 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 2:1-5

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

In days to come the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established as the highest of the mountains, and shall be raised above the hills; all the nations shall stream to it. Many peoples shall come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; that he may teach us his ways and that we may walk in his paths.' For out of Zion shall go forth instruction, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem. He shall judge between the nations, and shall arbitrate for many peoples; they shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob,

#### The Gospel: Matthew 24:36-44

'But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.

#### For your prayers

come, let us walk in the light of the LORD!

For our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, we are asked to pray this week that Archbishop Justin and Bishop Elijah will teach their people with love and that they respond well.

We pray for the people of Indonesia following the earthquake there, for the people of Pakistan with the continuing floods, and for all suffering the consequences of climate change. We pray that nations across the world will take action to reduce the negative impact of humanity on the environment.

We pray for the work of the Children's Society as they seek to promote hope and happiness among children and young people.

We continue to pray for all affected by the ever-rising cost of living, especially those struggling to feed their families and those unable to afford adequate heating. We pray for a good response in the community to assist them.

#### 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? For details, go to <a href="www.parishgiving.org.uk">www.parishgiving.org.uk</a> where you can set up your own direct debit (and sign up for gift aid if applicable). Alternatively, you can pick up a leaflet in church. If you require help or advice on giving, please contact Paul Naish, email <a href="mailto:sitgiftaid@gmail.com">sitgiftaid@gmail.com</a> tel 01747 870731. Cheques are payable to Tisbury PCC.

