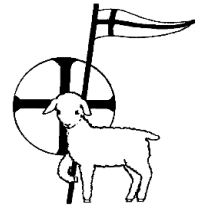


St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 26th February 2023

The First Sunday of Lent

Today's Services

8.00am Holy Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Canon Simon Evans

9.30am Parish Communion

President: The Revd Juliette Hulme Preacher: Julie Dunstan

Setting: The Brecon Service *Philip Moore*

Hymns: 67 Forty days and forty nights; 64 Be thou my guardian and my guide; 383 Jesu, lover of my soul

During Communion: Christian dost thou see them *P Sohren*

Final hymn: 353 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

Organ Voluntary: Ciacona *Buxtehude*

We welcome Julie Dunstan as our preacher at 9.30. Julie has moved to Tisbury from London, where she served as a Licensed Lay Minister in the Diocese of Southwark. We hope that she will soon be licensed to serve in the Nadder Valley.

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

Next Sunday, 5th March

The Second Sunday of Lent

9.30am All-Age Service

Led by the Revd Juliette Hulme and Canon Judy Anderson

Monday 27th February

Lent Course

Our Lent Course begins on Monday 27th February, from 3pm-5pm, in the Hinton Hall.

There will also be a series of three short Lent talks, followed by supper, at the Hindon Village Hall, on 1st, 15th and 29th March at 6.30pm. All are welcome - please contact the Revd Joanna Naish if you would like to go to any of these:

revdjoannanaish@gmail.com

Wednesday 1st March

Lent Lunch



The usual Lent Lunches, organised by Tisbury Christian Council, will take place at the Methodist Church on the five Wednesdays beginning 1st March, between 12 noon and 2pm. This year we shall be supporting Salisbury Hospice. Do come - and bring your friends!



Wednesday 1st March

Funeral and Thanksgiving Service

The funeral of the late **Norman Savage**, who died at the end of December, will take place at St John's on Wednesday 1st March at 2.30pm. We continue to pray for his family and friends as they prepare for the funeral.

Saturday 18th March at 7.30pm

Concert

Hindon Church

Salisbury's St John Singers will be giving a concert in Hindon to raise money for Church funds.

Tickets £12.50 from Musicroom Salisbury, from choir members, from Hindon Village Shop, from Revd Joanna Naish revdjoannanaish@gmail.com and on the door.

Lent Boxes

Our Lent boxes this year are for our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan. There is an urgent need for a security fence to protect the Bishop's compound from those who wish to attack it. The compound comprises the church and the school, as well as the Bishop's accommodation. Please do take a box, and bring it back after Easter.

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The Collect for the First Sunday of Lent

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ fasted forty days in the wilderness, and was tempted as we are, yet without sin: give us grace to discipline ourselves in obedience to your Spirit; and, as you know our weakness, so may we know your power to save; 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: Genesis 2.15-17, 3.1-7

The LORD God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the LORD God commanded the man, 'You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die.'

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the LORD God had made. He said to the woman, 'Did God say, "You shall not eat from any tree in the garden"?' The woman said to the serpent, 'We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, "You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die."' But the serpent said to the woman, 'You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.' So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

The Gospel: Matthew 4.1-11

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, 'If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.' But he answered, 'It is written,

"One does not live by bread alone,
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God."'

Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, 'If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written,

"He will command his angels concerning you",
and "On their hands they will bear you up,
so that you will not dash your foot against a stone."'

Jesus said to him, 'Again it is written, "Do not put the Lord your God to the test."'

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendour; and he said to him, 'All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.' Jesus said to him,

'Away with you, Satan! for it is written,
"Worship the Lord your God,
and serve only him."'

Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cuebiet, South Sudan, we are asked to pray this week that men and women will feel called to serve as Pastors in the diocese and that support will be found for their training.

On the anniversary of the Russian invasion of Ukraine we continue to pray for a withdrawal of troops and for peace. We give thanks for the bravery of the Ukrainians and we pray for all who grieve for the many thousands of Ukrainians who have given their lives for freedom for their country. We pray also for all Russia's grieving families.

We pray for all those who have lost homes and loved ones in the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria and we pray for the success of the work of DEC to bring them help and support.



Earthquake Appeal

A reminder that you can donate to the appeal via the Disasters Emergency Committee, an umbrella organisation which includes several well-known charities, such as Christian Aid, Tearfund, World Vision and Save the Children.

Donations can be made online at www.dec.org.uk/donate/earthquake or by phone on 0370 60 60 610. Alternatively, you can give £10 by texting SUPPORT to 70787.

TisBERRY Community Larder

A reminder that there is a box in the north porch of the church for donations of food, clothing, nappies & baby stuff and toiletries for the Larder. Any donations you can make would be very welcome.

The larder, which is available for anyone in need, is in an unmanned hut at the end of the old cricket pavilion, near the Nadder Centre. It is open from Monday to Saturday 9.30-3.30.