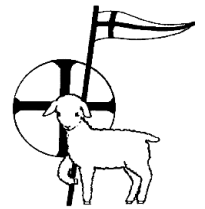


St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 9th July 2023

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Today's Service

9.30am Parish Communion

President: The Revd Juliette Hulme Preacher: Canon Judy Anderson

Communion Setting *Grayston Ives*

Hymns: 440 (omit * verses) Praise to the Lord the Almighty the King of creation;

Let us build a house where love can dwell (*words on separate sheet*); 376 I heard the voice of Jesus say

During Communion: God himself is present *Joachim Neander* Final hymn: 235 Forth in thy name O Lord I go

Organ Voluntary: Trumpet Tune (King Arthur) *Henry Purcell*

Wednesday 12th July

6.00pm Service of Healing and Wholeness St Andrew's Chapel

A quiet service of prayer and contemplation for all the churches of the Nadder Valley Benefice, including a reading, a song, meditation and prayers for yourself and for those about whom you care. All welcome.

Other 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 can be found on our website.

Next Sunday, 16th July

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Parish Communion

Isaiah 55.10-13; Matthew 13.1-9, 18-23

President and Preacher: The Revd Dr Graham Southgate

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: Canon Judy Anderson

Sunday 30th July at 11.00am Lammas Service Dinton Recreation Ground

All from our local village communities are warmly invited to our joint outdoor service at Dinton Recreation Ground, to celebrate Lammas, marking the blessing of the first fruits of harvest with a specially baked loaf of bread. This is the occasion when, once a year, all the churches of the Nadder Valley Benefice join to worship together - thus there is no service at St John's that day.

Do come - and bring a picnic to eat together after the service.

Next Saturday 15th July Church Stall at Tisbury Village Fete - please help!

We are having a stall in aid of church funds at the village fete on 15th July, between 12 noon and 5pm, at the recreation ground. We plan to sell cakes and produce, and plants. We really need everyone to help in some way.

1. Please would you get baking and making, and potting up any spare plants you could contribute? We need as much as possible to sell!
2. We need people to 'man' the stall, in pairs, for an hour, on the day. We can pair you up if needed.

Please would you let Juliette or Judy know if you are able to help, or add your name to the list in church?

Please bring your contributions of cakes, produce and plants to the church between 9.30 and 10.30 on the day.

Confirmation Classes

Have you considered being confirmed? Confirmation classes, for adults and for young people, are starting in the autumn. If you are interested, do talk to Juliette about what is involved.

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The Collect for the Fifth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of the Church is governed and sanctified: hear our prayer which we offer for all your faithful people, that in their vocation and ministry they may serve you in holiness and truth to the glory of your name; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, 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: Zechariah 9.9-12

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion!
Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem!
Lo, your king comes to you;
triumphant and victorious is he,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim
and the warhorse from Jerusalem;
and the battle-bow shall be cut off,
and he shall command peace to the nations;
his dominion shall be from sea to sea,
and from the River to the ends of the earth.

As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you,
I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.
Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope;
today I declare that I will restore to you double.

The Gospel: Matthew 11.16-19, 25-30

Jesus said, 'To what will I compare this generation? It is like children sitting in the market-places and calling to one another,

"We played the flute for you, and you did not dance;
we wailed, and you did not mourn."

For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say, "He has a demon"; the Son of Man came eating and drinking, and they say, "Look, a glutton and a drunkard, a friend of tax-collectors and sinners!" Yet wisdom is vindicated by her deeds.'

At that time Jesus said, 'I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and the intelligent and have revealed them to infants; yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. All things have been handed over to me by my Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, we are asked to pray this week for long-standing peace to be established in South Sudan, and for those in refugee camps in neighbouring countries that they can return home.

Let us give thanks for our enjoyable Pet services at St John's and in Albany House. We pray for the work of the RSPCA and WWF in protecting animals.

Let us pray for all who mourn the death of loved ones, the families of those who attended the funerals this week at St John's and those who regularly visit graves in St John's churchyard. We pray for all who continue to grieve for the loss of their spouses, that they may know the comfort of the Holy Spirit and the support of the church community.



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? To set up a login and password on the secure site, go to <https://www.parishgiving.org.uk/donors/find-your-parish/tisbury-st-john-tisbury/> Here you can set up a direct debit (and sign up for gift aid if applicable). Alternatively, there are leaflets in church. For help or advice on giving, please contact Paul Naish, email sjtgiftaid@gmail.com tel 01747 870731. Cheques should be made payable to Tisbury PCC.