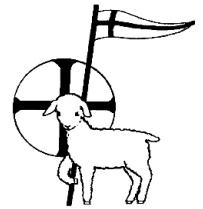


St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 20th July 2025

The Fifth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Joanna Naish

Setting: St Thomas Mass *David Thorne*

Hymns: 377 Immortal, invisible God only wise; Psalm 15 (*words overleaf*); 307 Sweet sacrament divine

During Communion: Bread of the world in mercy broken *Anthony Baldwin*

Final hymn: 239 Lord of all hopefulness

Organ voluntary: Festal Flourish *Gordon Jacob*

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Led by Canon Judy Anderson

Introit: O taste and see *Vaughan Williams*

Setting: Hylton Stewart in C Responses: Richard Seal The Lord's Prayer: Rimsky Korsakov

Psalm 81 Hymns: 265 Lord of beauty; 263 All creatures of our God and King (omit * verses)

Anthem: View me Lord, a work of thine *Richard Lloyd*

Organ voluntary: Fugue in A minor *J S Bach*

Services during the week

Holy Communion is celebrated in St Andrew's Chapel at 10.00am on Wednesdays (CW) and 8.00am on Fridays (BCP).

Next Sunday, 27th July

The Sixth Sunday after Trinity

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

President: The Revd Mark Hayter

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Canon Michael Goater

For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, we are asked to pray this month for the Mission Aid Fellowship's work in South Sudan. We ask your prayers for the fathers and grandfathers of Cueibet - to set a God-fearing example to the youth.

As school holidays begin, please pray for all families with children as they prepare to spend several weeks together. We pray for safety for those travelling, and for restful and relaxing holidays. We pray for those at home, as parents seek ways to keep their children occupied and happy. We pray for families where there are difficult relationships, that these will not be exacerbated by long periods together. We give thanks for our children and all the blessings they bring us.



In Memoriam

We were very sorry to hear of the death of Heather Wren, a faithful and long-standing member of our congregation, on 5th July. Her funeral will be held at St John's on Tuesday 5th August at 9.00am - no flowers, but donations to the Stars appeal at Salisbury Hospital. Please pray for Richard and for all Heather's family and friends at this time of loss.

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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: Genesis 18.1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, 'My lord, if I find favour with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.' So they said, 'Do as you have said.' And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, 'Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.' Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate.

They said to him, 'Where is your wife Sarah?' And he said, 'There, in the tent.' Then one said, 'I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.'

Psalm 15

- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? Who may rest upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads an uncorrupt life : and does the thing that is right;
- 3 Who speaks the truth from the heart : and bears no deceit on the tongue;
- 4 Who does no evil to a friend : and pours no scorn on a neighbour;
- 5 In whose sight the wicked are not esteemed : but who honours those who fear the Lord.
- 6 Whoever has sworn to a neighbour : and never goes back on that word;
- 7 Who does not lend money in hope of gain : nor takes a bribe against the innocent;
- 8 Whoever does these things : shall never fall.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit :
as it was in the beginning, is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

The Gospel: Luke 10.38-42

Now as they went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me.' But the Lord answered her, 'Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her.'

Let's make life a bit easier!

We are very grateful indeed to those who give regularly to the church – your support is invaluable in enabling the mission and ministry of the church to continue. Several of those who have previously given by standing order have now switched to the **Parish Giving Scheme**, and we urge others to consider doing the same. The main advantage of this to the church over standing orders is that the Gift Aid is claimed automatically (for those who are eligible) and paid direct to the church, reducing considerably the work of the Gift Aid Administrator. There is also an option to link your giving to inflation, but you don't have to sign up for this option. Leaflets are available in church, or you can join the scheme online at www.parishgiving.org.uk

Could you be our next Gift Aid Administrator?

Paul Naish stepped down at the APCM after 10 years of faithful service. We are seeking someone to look after the regular claiming of Gift Aid on donations to the church. If you think this is something you could do, do have a chat with Paul to find out more about what is involved – or speak to a churchwarden, the parish administrator or Jean Watson (treasurer).