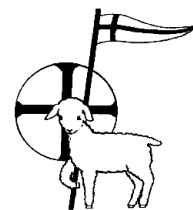


# St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

*reflecting Jesus Christ*



**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025**

**The Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity**

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Mark Hayter

Setting: *Leighton* in D

Hymns: 393 Lead us, heavenly Father; 414 O for a closer walk with God;

457 The King of love my shepherd is

During Communion: Ave verum corpus WA Mozart

461 There's a wideness in God's mercy

Organ voluntary: Praeludium, Fuga und Ciacona Dietrich Buxtehude

## 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, 21<sup>st</sup> September**

**Harvest Thanksgiving**

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Michael Camp

We invite you to bring for our Harvest Thanksgiving service tins and other non-perishable food items for the Trussell Trust <https://www.trusselltrust.org>

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Led by the Revd Mark Hayter

## In Memoriam

There will be a service of thanksgiving for the life of **Serena Chaplin** at St John's on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September at 11.30am. All who knew Serena are very welcome.

## Thank you!

Hatch House Open Garden

Trish would like to thank everyone who supported this event in any way and attended last Saturday. We are thrilled to announce that we have raised £29,500 so far, with a little more still to come in, hopefully. The weather was breezy but warm and sunny. It was a lovely day with a very happy atmosphere. Thanks to you all from The Hospice. Trish x

## Could you be a Sidesman?

We are still seeking additional sidesmen (this is a generic title, men and women equally welcome) to welcome people to our Sunday services. The duties are not onerous: the sidesmen work with the churchwardens to set out the hymn books, welcome people as they arrive, take the collection during the service and put away hymn books and so on after the service. We would like to have enough sidesmen that each person would be 'on duty' no more than once a month. If you would like to help in this way, please contact one of the churchwardens or the parish administrator. Thank you!

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## The Collect for the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, who called your Church to bear witness that you were in Christ reconciling the world to yourself: help us to proclaim the good news of your love, that all who hear it may be drawn to you; through him who was lifted up on the cross, and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## The Old Testament Reading: Exodus 32.7-14

The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" ' The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.'

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever."' And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

## The Gospel: Luke 15.1-10

Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbours, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbours, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

## For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, we are asked to continue to pray for the Anglican Church in Cueibet and across South Sudan, and for teachers, mothers and children whom we support there. Pray that they may be safe, secure and properly fed so the children may benefit from their education.

During Creationtide, 'A Christian prayer for union with creation'

God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth, for not one of them is forgotten in your sight. Enlighten those who possess power and money that they may avoid the sin of indifference, that they may love the common good, advance the weak, and care for this world in which we live. The poor and the earth are crying out. O Lord, seize us with your power and light, help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future, for the coming of your Kingdom of justice, peace, love and beauty. Praise be to you!

*from Laudato Si' Pope Francis 2015*

