St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 5th October 2025

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am All-Age Service

Led by Canon Judy Anderson

Music led by Quentin and Maggie

At the end of Creationtide, our service focuses on St Francis and his love and care for all God's creatures.

Hymns: All creatures of our God and King (words on service sheet); Creation sings (words on service sheet) 290 Who put the colours in the rainbow; 173 Make me a channel of your peace; 198 How great thou art

Wednesday 8th October

4.00pm Service of Healing and Wholeness St Andrew's Chapel

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

Other 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)

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Revd Sarah Wood-Roe, Chaplain to the Bishop of Salisbury

For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, we pray for the ongoing work of the Mothers' Union. We pray too for the work of the prisons in the state, their work in the gardens and the rehabilitation of the prisoners and other communal enterprises.

A prayer from the Church of England for the new Archbishop of Canterbury:

Holy God, We thank you for calling your servant Bishop Sarah to the ministry of the Archbishop of Canterbury. As she prepares to take up this new responsibility, please grant her boldness in proclaiming the gospel, courage in working for justice, and compassion in serving the poor. Root her deeply in her love for you, nourish her with your Word, inspire her by your Spirit, and keep her faithful in prayer for the unity of your Church and for the glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

New Archbishop of Canterbury

His Majesty the King has approved the nomination of the Bishop of London, the Rt Revd and Rt Hon Dame Sarah Mullally, as the next Archbishop of Canterbury. Her enthronement will take place on 25th March 2026.

Before being ordained, Bishop Sarah worked as a nurse in the National Health Service, specialising in cancer care, and, at the age of 37, became the Government's Chief Nursing Officer for England, the youngest person ever to be appointed to the post. Bishop Sarah was made a Dame Commander of the Order of the British Empire in recognition of her outstanding contribution to nursing. She was ordained in 2001 and served her curacy in the Diocese of Southwark. In 2012, she was installed as Canon Treasurer of Salisbury Cathedral, and three years later took the role of Suffragan Bishop of Crediton in the Diocese of Exeter. On 12 May 2018, Bishop Sarah was installed as the 133rd Bishop of London at St Paul's Cathedral, the first woman to hold the role. Bishop Sarah is married to Eamonn, and they have two grown-up children, Liam and Grace.

Parochial Church Council (PCC)

The next PCC meeting will take place on Tuesday 21st October at 7.00pm in the Hinton Hall.

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The Collect for St Francis of Assisi

O God, you ever delight to reveal yourself to the childlike and lowly of heart: grant that, following the example of the blessed Francis, we may count the wisdom of this world as foolishness and know only Jesus Christ and him crucified, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Reading: Genesis 1.20-25 (TLB)

Then God said, "Let the waters teem with fish and other life, and let the skies be filled with birds of every kind." So God created great sea animals, and every sort of fish and every kind of bird. And God looked at them with pleasure, and blessed them all. "Multiply and stock the oceans," he told them, and to the birds he said, "Let your numbers increase. Fill the earth!" That ended the fifth day.

And God said, "Let the earth bring forth every kind of animal—cattle and reptiles and wildlife of every kind." And so it was. God made all sorts of wild animals and cattle and reptiles. And God was pleased with what he had done.

