

COLLECT

Almighty God,
you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit
reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever.

FIRST READING

Proverbs 8:1. 22-31

A reading from the book of Proverbs.

Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? The LORD created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth – when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race.

PSALM Psalm 104:25-37

R I will sing to the Lord as long as I live.



O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
There is the sea, spread far and wide,
and there move creatures beyond
number, both small and great. **R**

There go the ships, and there is that Leviathan
which you have made to play in the deep.

All of these look to you
to give them their food in due season. **R**

When you give it them, they gather it;
you open your hand and they are filled
with good.

When you hide your face they are
troubled;

when you take away their breath,
they die and return again to the dust.

When you send forth your spirit, they
are created,

and you renew the face of the earth. **R**

May the glory of the Lord endure for
ever;

may the Lord rejoice in his works;

He looks on the earth and it trembles;

he touches the mountains and they
smoke.

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;

I will make music to my God while I

have my being. **R**

So shall my song please him

while I rejoice in the Lord.

Let sinners be consumed out of the earth
and the wicked be no more.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Alleluia. **R**

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:15-20

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

Christ is the image of the invisible God,
the firstborn of all creation; for in him
all things in heaven and on earth were
created, things visible and invisible,
whether thrones or dominions or rulers
or powers – all things have been created
through him and for him. He himself is
before all things, and in him all things
hold together. He is the head of the
body, the church; he is the beginning,
the firstborn from the dead, so that
he might come to have first place in
everything. For in him all the fullness of
God was pleased to dwell, and through

him God was pleased to reconcile to
himself all things, whether on earth or
in heaven, by making peace through the
blood of his cross.

GOSPEL John 1:1-14

*Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to John.*

In the beginning was the Word, and the
Word was with God, and the Word was
God. He was in the beginning with God.
All things came into being through him,
and without him not one thing came
into being. What has come into being
in him was life, and the life was the
light of all people. The light shines in
the darkness, and the darkness did not
overcome it. There was a man sent from
God, whose name was John. He came
as a witness to testify to the light, so
that all might believe through him. He
himself was not the light, but he came to
testify to the light. The true light, which
enlightens everyone, was coming into
the world. He was in the world, and the
world came into being through him; yet
the world did not know him. He came to
what was his own, and his own people
did not accept him. But to all who
received him, who believed in his name,
he gave power to become children of
God, who were born, not of blood or of
the will of the flesh or of the will of man,
but of God. And the Word became flesh
and lived among us, and we have seen
his glory, the glory as of a father's only
son, full of grace and truth.

POST COMMUNION

God our creator,

by your gift

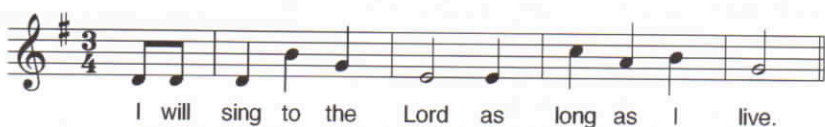
the tree of life was set at the heart of the
earthly paradise,

and the bread of life at the heart of your
Church:

may we who have been nourished at
your table on earth

be transformed by the glory of the
Saviour's cross

and enjoy the delights of eternity;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.



HOLSWORTHY BENEFICE

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

4th February 2018 - 2nd Sunday before Lent

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A warm welcome to church today! If you have not been here before, please make yourself known to one of the team - you are very welcome.

EVERY FRIDAY - 11am COMMUNION and 11.30 NO COST CAFÉ at Ss Peter & Paul, Holsworthy

		Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pancrasweek	Pyworthy
2nd Sunday before Lent	4th Feb	11.15am Family Sung Eucharist	3pm Evensong	9.30am Sung Eucharist		11.15am Family Service
Next before Lent	11th Feb	11.15am Morning Prayer		9.30am Sung Eucharist		11.15am Sung Eucharist
Shrove Tuesday	Tues 13th Feb	4pm Shrove Service with pancakes & race				6pm Shrove Service with pancakes & race
Ash Wednesday	Wed 14th Feb	7pm Sung Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes		11am Said Eucharist with Imposition of Ashes		
First Sunday of Lent	18th Feb	11.15am Sung Eucharist	9.30am Sung HC	9.30am Sung Eucharist		11.15am Morning Prayer

Electoral Roll - If you are not on the electoral roll at your church and would like to go on please let your church secretary/roll officer know. Forms are at the back of all churches.

The Real Easter Egg - Fairtrade Easter eggs with the Easter story. Cut out the middleman - buy straight from Tradecraft and help farmers - Milk Chocolate eggs £3.99 from Mthr Elizabeth.

Christians Together in Holsworthy and District - AGM Tues 20th March, 7.30 at the Methodist Church, blue room. All very welcome & new members very welcome.

Lay Worship Leaders Course - Now happening 7.30pm Wednesday 28th Feb at the Rectory and at 9.30am Saturday 3rd March at St Peter & St Pauls' church, Holsworthy. Book a place with Mthr Elizabeth.

Musicians and Artists - Your talents always welcome, don't hide them under a bushel basket! Would you like to share them at the Meditative Eucharists or Creative Church? Please contact Mthr Elizabeth.

Pastoral Visiting Team - If you are interested in pastoral visiting please speak with Mthr Elizabeth.

Servers all Churches - If anyone would like to come and learn how to serve the altar for the Eucharist on a Sunday you'd be most welcome. Please contact Mthr Elizabeth.

Coming Up...

Tues 6th Feb	10am	Prayers at Hollacombe - last of the monthly prayer meetings.
Tues 7th Feb	7.30pm	PCC - Bridgerule
Thur 8th Feb	7pm	PCC - Holsworthy, at the Rectory
Thur 15th Feb	7pm	Benefice Lent Eucharist, Holsworthy - said Holy Communion with a Lent Reflection
	7.30pm	Churchwardens and Officers meeting at the White Hart
Fri 16th Feb	11.30am	Lent reflection and lunch following the 11am Eucharist at Ss Peter and Paul.
Thur 22nd Feb	7pm	Benefice Lent Eucharist, Holsworthy - said Holy Communion with a Lent Reflection
	7pm	Deanery Synod
Fri 23rd Feb	11.45am	St Peter's Fair - initial church planning meeting - all welcome (no Lent Lunch)
Sat 24th Feb	10am-4pm	Lent Quiet Day at The Long House - please book a place with Mthr Elizabeth. £5 donation towards the cost welcome; includes drinks & lunch.
Wed 28th Feb	am	Church Coffee Morning at Memorial Hall - Donations for the raffle welcome. On the day please bring cakes and savouries and nearly new for the stalls.
Thur 1st Mar	pm	Archdeacon visiting the Deanery. 5pm Mission Community Evening Prayer at Black Torrington church
	7pm	Benefice Lent Eucharist, Holsworthy - said Holy Communion with a Lent Reflection
Fri 2nd Mar	2.30 pm	Service for Women's World Day of Prayer , Methodist Chapel, Bodmin Street, Everyone welcome.
Tues 13th Mar	2.30pm	Commissioning of the Livestock Market Chaplaincy Team, Holsworthy Parish Church by Bishop Sarah - please come and support this.

FOR LENT

Thursdays

7pm Eucharist with Reflection starting on 15th Feb
Ss Peter & Paul Church

Fridays

11am Eucharist
11.45 Lent Lunch & Reflection
16th Feb, 2nd, 9th, 16th & 23rd March
Ss Peter & Paul Church

Saturday 24th Feb

Quiet Day
10am-4pm at the Longhouse

Please pray for...

The recently departed: Gerald Cole, Mary Smith, Ian Headon

Webpage - www.holsworthybenefice.org.uk

Facebook Page - Holsworthy Benefice

If you would like anything added to this weekly Pew Sheet please email Mother Elizabeth by midday on a Thursday.