

4th Sept 2022 - 12th Sunday after Trinity

Holsworthy Benefice

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

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Services in Holsworthy Benefice - All Welcome

	Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pancrasweek	Pyworthy
4th Sept	11am Morning Prayer	3pm BCP Evensong	11am Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism		9.30am Morning Prayer
11th Sept	11am Sung Eucharist	7.30pm BCP Harvest Evensong	11am All Age Eucharist		9.30am Eucharist
11th Sept	4pm Mission Community Songs of Praise Holsworthy Church				
18th Sept	11am Joint Service at Methodist Chapel	9.30am BCP Holy Communion	11am Sung Eucharist with Holy Baptism		9.30am Morning Prayer
18th Sept	3pm CREATIVE CHURCH for All Ages, St Peter and St Paul's church				
25th Sept	11am Joint Harvest Service at St Bridget's		11am Morning Prayer	9.30am All Age Eucharist	9.30am Morning Prayer
2nd Oct	11am Joint Harvest Service at Methodist Chapel	3pm BCP Evensong	11am Sung Eucharist		9.30am Morning Prayer

Dates for your diaries

24th Sep	3.30pm	Organ recital by Mr John Timbury	Holsworthy Church	Free entry with retiring collection. Refreshments will be served.
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Text for the Week - Philemon 1:3
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Service times at Holsworthy Church
will be changing back to 9.30am
from 16th October

The winners of the Jackpot Draw drawn on 20th August were –

- 1st Prize, £18.75 – ticket number 25, Chris from Glebelands
- 2nd Prize, £3.75 – ticket number 134, Susan from Dobles Lane

Rector's Farewell Service - Benefice Harvest Eucharist - 9th October, 11am

at Holsworthy Church followed by Harvest Lunch at the White Hart

To book the lunch please email Libbi at holsworthybenefice@icloud.com

The lunch is two courses to include carvery and sweet for £12.50

Please email Libbi by Sunday 25th September.

COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God,
you are always more ready to hear than we
to pray
and to give more than either we desire or
deserve:
pour down upon us the abundance of your
mercy,
forgiving us those things of which our
conscience is afraid
and giving us those good things which we
are not worthy to ask
but through the merits and mediation
of Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:15-end

A reading from the book of Deuteronomy.

See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob.

PSALM Psalm 1

R *The Lord knows the way of the righteous.*

Blessed are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked,
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the assembly of the scornful.
Their delight is in the law of the Lord

and they meditate on his law day and night. **R**

Like a tree planted by streams of water bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither, whatever they do, it shall prosper. As for the wicked, it is not so with them; they are like chaff which the wind blows away. **R**

Therefore the wicked shall not be able to stand in the judgement, nor the sinner in the congregation of the righteous. For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked shall perish. **R**

SECOND READING Philemon 1-21

A reading from the letter of Paul to Philemon.

Paul, a prisoner of Christ Jesus, and Timothy our brother, To Philemon our dear friend and co-worker, to Apphia our sister, to Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to the church in your house: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith towards the Lord Jesus. I pray that the sharing of your faith may become effective when you perceive all the good that we may do for Christ. I have indeed received much joy and encouragement from your love, because the hearts of the saints have been refreshed through you, my brother. For this reason, though I am bold enough in Christ to command you to do your duty, yet I would rather appeal to you on the basis of love – and I, Paul, do this as an old man, and now also as a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for my child, Onesimus, whose father I have become during my imprisonment. Formerly he was useless to you, but now he is indeed useful both to you and to me. I am sending him, that is, my own heart, back to you. I wanted to keep him with me, so that he might be of service to me in your place during my imprisonment for the gospel; but I preferred to do nothing without your consent, in order that your good deed might be voluntary and not something forced. Perhaps this is the reason he was separated from you for a

while, so that you might have him back for ever, no longer as a slave but more than a slave, a beloved brother – especially to me but how much more to you, both in the flesh and in the Lord. So if you consider me your partner, welcome him as you would welcome me. If he has wronged you in any way, or owes you anything, charge that to my account. I, Paul, am writing this with my own hand: I will repay it. I say nothing about your owing me even your own self. Yes, brother, let me have this benefit from you in the Lord! Refresh my heart in Christ. Confident of your obedience, I am writing to you, knowing that you will do even more than I say.

GOSPEL Luke 14:25-33

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Large crowds were travelling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions."

POST COMMUNION

God of all mercy,
in this eucharist you have set aside our sins
and given us your healing:
grant that we who are made whole in
Christ
may bring that healing to this broken
world,
in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.



The Lord knows the way of the right-eous.



Sunday 4 September 2022
 Luke 14:25-33
 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the
GOSPEL TODAY

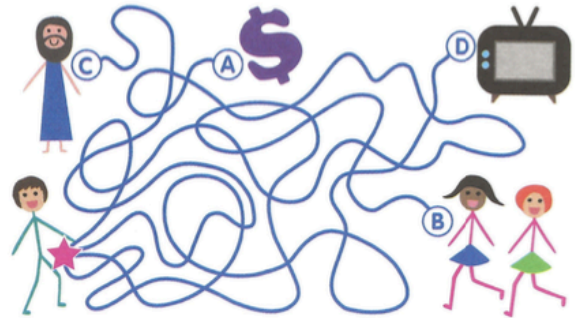
Spot the disciple

Which of these people is being like Jesus? Put a circle round anyone you think is being a disciple and copying what they have learned about Jesus.

Nothing is more important than Jesus! A builder makes sure his tower has firm foundations. Our lives will have firm foundations if we put Jesus first. Living as Jesus asks and loving other people may not always be easy, but Jesus will help us and we will be happy forever with Jesus as our friend.

Which path?

It's not always easy following Jesus. Sometimes we go the wrong way. Can you find the right path to Jesus here?



I need...

Cross out the words that do not belong.

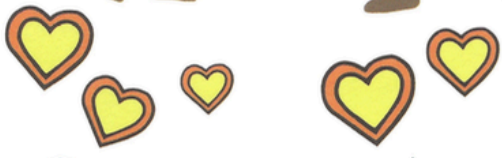


- love
- hate
- understanding
- courage
- kindness
- patience

What is Jesus like?

Colour in the boxes with dots to see some words which describe Jesus.

S	K	G	I	N	T	D	L
L	O	B	V	I	A	N	G
W	Y	F	Z	A	I	Q	R
H	E	O	N	U	E	S	T
P	B	R	V	A	N	V	E



A PRAYER TO SAY

Jesus, you are more important than anything else in the whole world! Thank you for loving me so much. Help me to share your love with everyone I meet. Amen.

Answers: What is Jesus like: Kind, loving, fair, honest, brave.