

24th Sept 2023 - Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek Administrator: Libbi York - Holsworthybenefice@icloud.com 07717750198



Services in Holsworthy Benefice - All Welcome							
	Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pancrasweek	Pyworthy		
24th Sept	11am Morning Prayer		9.30am Morning Prayer	9.30am Harvest Morning Prayer	9.30am Morning Prayer		
1st Oct	11am Morning Prayer	3pm BCP Evensong	9.30am Morning Prayer		9.30am Morning Prayer		
8th Oct	11am Morning Prayer		11am Harvest Thanksgiving Morning Prayer		9.30am Morning Prayer		
15th Oct	11am Joint Service at the Methodist Chapel	9.30am BCP Holy Communion	9.30am Sung Eucharist		11am Sung Eucharist		
21st Oct					6pm Alter Blessing Service		

As you will know, at Scripture Union, we are passionate about helping churches with their mission to reach and journey with children and young people who are not regularly in church.

That is why I am so excited to let you know about a brand new tour that we will be doing this term. 'Mission Possible' is all about helping churches to grow in effective mission to children and young people. We have taken the findings from some research we carried out and have developed an interactive evening that explores 5 principles of effective mission. As well as delving into these principles, you will also go away with lots of practical ideas that you can use in your context.

To find out more and book your place please click Mission Possible Tour I Scripture Union

The event that is nearest to you is: Pancrasweek church, Pancrasweek (between Holsworthy & Bude), EX22 7JS 7:15 for 7:30pm start

The evening is aimed at anyone who is involved with youth and children's work, so please do invite others to join you and forward this message to them.

Do get back to me with any questions and I look forward to seeing you soon.

Holsworthy Church coffee morning in the Memorial Hall on 4th October. Please come and support us.

We would appreciate any items for the raffle or Tombola stalls, from food items to luxuries whatever you can gift. Please put in box at back of church.

Holsworthy Church, 8th Oct 11am. All are welcome to our Harvest Thanksgiving Cafe-style Morning Prayer, preceded by a Harvest Breakfast.

Pancrasweek Church Harvest Service 24th Sept 9.30am Refreshments afterwards

The winners of the St Peter's Monthly Jackpot Draw drawn on 20th September were:

1st Prize, £15.50 – ticket number 37, Helen from Trewyn Park 2nd Prize, £3.10 – ticket number 78. Katie from Underlane

20th-22nd of Sept,

Vincent Sullivan (from Pyworthy) is taking part in cycling 95 miles on the the Dartmoor Way Cycle, on behalf of North Devon Hospice. We wish you all best. If anyone would like to donate to this fabulous cause please click on the clink below. Thanks you https://www.justgiving.com/page/georgiabedgood-1694686568472

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	3rd Sept	10th Sept	17th Sept	24th Sept
Bradworthy Benefice				
Abbots Bickington				11.30am Harvest Service
Bradford			10am Said Holy Communion	6.30pm Harvest Service
Bradworthy	3.30pm Benefice Welcome Service followed by 'bring and share' afternoon tea	9.30am Family Worship		10am Morning Prayer
Milton Damerel		10am Holy Communion with Hymns		9am Morning Prayer
Putford				
Sutcombe			11.30am Harvest Festival	9am Holy Communion with Hymns
Thornbury		10am Morning Prayer		
Ruby Benefice				
Ashwater	9.30am Baptism		9.30am Holy Communion	9.30am Baptism
Beaworthy		6.30pm Holy Communion		11am Morning Prayer
Black Torrington	11am Holy Communion	11am Cafe Church	11am Morning Prayer	
Clawton		11am Cafe Church		11am Harvest Service with Holy Communion
Halwill	11am Morning Service		11am Harvest with Holy Communion	
Highampton				6.30pm Harvest Service
Tetcott	4pm BBQ 6pm Evening Service			
Holsworthy Benefice				
Bridgerule	11am Morning Prayer	11am Harvest Eucharist	11am Joint Service at the Methodist Chapel	11am Morning Prayer
Hollacombe		7pm Harvest Thanksgiving	9.30am BCP Holy Communion	
Holsworthy	9.30am Morning Prayer	11am Cafe Style Morning Prayer	9,30am Morning Prayer	9.30am Morning Prayer
Pancrasweek				9.30am Morning Prayer
Pyworthy	9.30am Morning Prayer	9.30am Sung Eucharist	9.30am All Age Service	9.30am Morning Prayer

COLLECT

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon

and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; through 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 Jonah 3:10 - end of 4 A reading from the book of Jonah.

When God saw what the people of Nineveh did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it. But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, "O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live." And the LORD said, "Is it right for you to be angry?" Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city. The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, "It is better for me to die than to live." But God said to Jonah, "Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?" And he said, "Yes, angry enough to die." Then the LORD said, "You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred

and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?"

Or Exodus 16:2-15

PSALM Psalm 145:1-8

R Great is the Lord and highly to be praised.

I will exalt you, O God my King, and bless your name for ever and ever. Every day will I bless you and praise your name for ever and ever. Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; his greatness is beyond all searching out. R

One generation shall praise your works to another

and declare your mighty acts. They shall speak of the majesty of your glory,

and I will tell of all your wonderful deeds. R They shall speak of the might of your

marvellous acts, and I will also tell of your greatness. They shall pour forth the story of your abundant kindness

and joyfully sing of your righteousness. The Lord is gracious and merciful, long-suffering and of great goodness. R

SECOND READING Philippians 1:21-end

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Philippians.

For to me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labour for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again. Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of

suffering for him as well - since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

GOSPEL Matthew 20:1-16

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

Jesus said to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire labourers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the labourers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o'clock, he saw others standing idle in the market-place; and he said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.' So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o'clock, he did the same. And about five o'clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, 'Why are you standing here idle all day?' They said to him, 'Because no one has hired us.' He said to them, 'You also go into the vineyard.' When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, 'Call the labourers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.' When those hired about five o'clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, 'These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.' But he replied to one of them, 'Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?' So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

POST COMMUNION

Almighty God,

you have taught us through your Son that love is the fulfilling of the law: grant that we may love you with our whole heart

and our neighbours as ourselves; through Jesus Christ our Lord.



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for other people. Help me to be generous and to look at everyone with love and kindness. Amen.

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