



Sunday 9th October 2022

Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity

Hooray for Harvest - we conclude our Harvest Celebrations this Sunday. It has been three glorious weeks of celebration across our churches with a guided nature walk, cream teas, harvest lunches, a harvest fayre, coffee mornings and our various gatherings for worship including services focused on harvest singing and readings, communion services and Celtic services giving a more gentle time of reflection. In all of this our focus has been on supporting the charity HITS - Homeless in Teign-bridge support. And it is not over yet on Saturday 15th October we have the opportunity to learn and take part in a celebration of the Jewish Festival of Sukkot see posters and information on our website and in our notice sheet.

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Churches Together - Experience Sukkot on Saturday 15th October Ipplepen Methodist Church. Sukkot is one of the traditional Jewish pilgrimage festivals, more commonly known as the Feast of the Tabernacles. 9:30am Build the tabernacle. 9:30am – 10am Produce may be brought for HITS or later in the day. 10am until 12noon A prayer space. 7pm Gather for soup and pudding and learn about Sukkot. If you are planning to come to eat please let Kathryn know by Thursday 13th so that we have some idea of numbers. kathrynpetty@hotmail.co.uk Tel: 01803813374

On Tuesday 18th October at 7pm in St Andrew's Church, Ipplepen there will be a service with Bishop James, the new Bishop of Plymouth to celebrate Andrew's Appointment as Rural Dean and the formation of the new Newton Abbot Deanery.

Alana Levandoski Concert on Saturday 22nd October at 7:30pm in St Peter and St Paul's, Broadhempston. Alana is an internationally renowned singer-songwriter whose music is set firmly within the context of Christian contemplation. For further information see www.alanalavandoski.com/

Cream Tea Concert featuring the award-winning Folk Musician Jim Causley at St Mary the Virgin, Denbury, has been rescheduled for Sunday 30th October at 2pm (Please note new earlier start time). For tickets and more information please contact Rachel 07751 804 007 /

Readings	This week	Next week
Readings for this Sunday:	1st Reading 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15b	Genesis 32:22-31
	Psalm 11	121
	2nd Reading 2 Timothy 2:8-15	2 Timothy 3:14-4.5
	Gospel Luke 17:11-19	Luke 18:1-8

Readings for the week ahead:

Mon	10 th	Luke 11:29-32	Thurs	13 th	Luke 11:47-End
Tue	11 th	Luke 11:37-41	Fri	14 th	Luke 12:1-7
Wed	12 th	Luke 11:42-46	Sat	15 th	Luke 12:8-12

Readings can be viewed/downloaded from <https://bible.oremus.org/>

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Today's Sunday Services

9.30 am	Harvest Communion	- St Mary the Virgin, Denbury
11.00 am	Harvest Communion with Children's Activities	- Ss Peter and Paul, Broadhempston
11.00 am	Celtic Morning Prayer	- St Andrew's, Ipplepen
1.00 pm	Wedding Blessings Ceremony of Mr and Mrs Cooper	- St Mary the Virgin, Denbury

Morning Prayer

This week morning prayer will be said at the following times:

Tuesday	9.15 am	- St Andrew's Ipplepen
Wednesday	9.15 am	- Online Via Zoom (for the zoom password email rev.andrewdown@gmail.com)
Thursday	9.15 am	- St Mary the Virgin, Denbury
Friday	9.15 am	- Ss Peter and Paul, Broadhempston (A time of silent prayer and meditation)

Reflection

All our churches are open for private prayer and reflection throughout the week from approximately 9am to 5pm each day.

Mid-Week

Rev'd Andrew Down - Day off on Mondays.

Monday	3pm-5pm	T-Pot	- Church Cottage, Denbury
Tuesday	10.15 am	Holy Communion	- St Andrew's Ipplepen
	7 pm	Group Session: Writing and Leading Intercessions	- Ss Peter and Paul, Broadhempston
Wednesday	10.30 am	Coffee Mates	- Church Cottage, Denbury
	7.30 pm	Bellringing Practice	- St Andrew's, Ipplepen
Thursday	10.15 am	Holy Communion	- St Mary the Virgin, Denbury
	4.30-5.30pm	Sta*x Youth Choir Practice	- St Andrew's, Ipplepen
Saturday	9.30 am	Churches Together - SUKKOT	- Ipplepen Methodist Church

Next Sunday 16th October 2022 – Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity

9.30 am	Holy Communion	- St John the Baptist, Woodland
11.00 am	Holy Communion	- St Andrew's, Ipplepen

In Memory: Kay Simmonds, Pamela Langworthy, Marie Pook and Kathleen Woodier.

Points for Prayer. Those effected by the rising fuel prices and economic uncertainty.

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Thank you to all those who serve on our PCC's. The Beacon Parishes could not function without you. Denbury, Broadhempston and Ipplepen PCC's have all met in the last month and had very full and productive meetings.



Reflection by Reverend Andrew Down

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Celebrating our gifts - our autumn small group course

Our autumn course is now underway with a wonderful session looking at reading in church held last Tuesday at St Mary's Denbury. Thank you Tess for hosting and welcoming us. This week we will be looking at **writing and leading intercessions at St Peter and St Paul's Broadhempston 7-8pm Tue 11th Oct.** To wet your appetite below is some guidance from me on a particularly useful way of leading and writing intercessions. Why not come along and see what others experience is and importantly what might you have to contribute from your experience of being led or leading intercessions yourself.

Why bidding prayers?

Using bidding prayers is a particularly helpful way of helping those you are leading in their own prayers. The key is that in leading you are helping and assisting people in prayer and not doing the praying for them.

The structure and form of Bidding Prayers

1. Start with an opening sentence (setting the scene of the prayers).
e.g. We are not alone in our weakness, but God is always ready to help us if we ask. So let us turn to the Lord in prayer
2. Short Biddings are used to help the congregation pray: these consist of two sentences. The first sentence saying who we are praying for. The second sentence praying for them in some specific way.
3. After each bidding silence is held so that people can say their prayers
4. The silent prayer is concluded with a response and then the next bidding is introduced
5. 4 /5 bidding prayers of this type is about right.

Let us bring to God any problems we are currently struggling with and any ways in which we feel inadequate. May God strengthen and encourage us.

Silent prayer
Lord in your mercy hear our prayer

Let us pray for those who are new to the faith. May they not be discouraged when following Christ becomes tough but grow deeper in their faith

Silent prayer
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Let us pray for all those in church leadership, especially those who feel tired or worn down. May they be renewed and encouraged in their ministry

Silent prayer
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Let us pray for those who face persecutions around the world. May they know God's love for them especially deeply and may God grant them the courage that they need.

Silence
Lord in your mercy hear our prayer

6. A concluding prayer such as, Merciful Father accept these prayers...
e.g. We thank you Lord for hearing our prayers and for your goodness to us. We ask all these things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

How to approach writing Bidding Prayers

The key to this is simplicity and recognising the person leading has the role to help people pray not to say their prayers for them. Leaving space for people's own prayers is key but using some simple biddings which fit with the readings of the day will help people pray when they may not know what to pray for.

If writing your own biddings my suggestion would be to read the readings set for the day taking particular notice of the gospel passage as that is what we tend to focus on. Maybe if you are familiar with Lectio Divina do this to see how the passage speaks to you. Key is ask yourself what strikes you in the passage. What are the themes etc..jot these down.

Ask yourself can I describe in one sentence what is the theme, message I am hearing in the passage - this will help you with your introductory sentence.

For the biddings you may want to write a bidding prayer for

1. The Church
2. The World
3. Our Community
4. The Sick and those in need
5. Those who have died

Decide on the response you will use to conclude the periods of silence.

Finally write a concluding prayer which thanks God for hearing our prayers and journeying with us. Or simply use Merciful Father accept....

Resources

Ian Black's Intercessions for Year A, B and C published by SPCK in 2009 is a very good book

Future sessions in our celebrating gifts course:

After this week the course will have a two week break and then continue in November looking at Music (1st Nov), Leading (8th Nov), Communion (15th Nov) and Welcome (22nd Nov).