



## Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2022

## Christ the King

**Prayer for Safeguarding Sunday 20 November 2022:** Loving God, we pray that this church may be a place of welcome, security and compassion. Keep us watchful yet caring, trusting yet ready to question, that all who worship here may do so in safety and in the knowledge of your love, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**The Denbury Christmas choir** will meet in Denbury Primary School for this Monday (21st) and the next Monday (28th). After that we'll be back in the church.

### Compline:

During Advent we will again gather for Compline on Tuesday evenings at St Andrew's Ipplepen at 7pm This year's dates are 29th November, 6th December and 13th December.

### Dates for your diary (more details to follow)

Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November 6pm at St John the Baptist, Woodland. - Advent Carol Service.  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> November at St. Andrew's Church, Ipplepen. - Setting up Christmas Tree displays.  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December 2pm-4pm at St. Andrew's Church, Ipplepen - Christmas Fair.  
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> December, Time TBC, at St. Peter & St Paul's, Broadhempston. - 'Broadband' Concert.

**Every Family: 12 Days of Christmas:** Spurgeon's Christian charity has launched a new festive campaign to help support parents in navigating family life during the Christmas season. The Advent campaign Every Family: 12 Days of Christmas launches on the 1 December and includes daily expert advice from qualified counsellors and parent support workers, who understand the complexities of family life during Christmas. The resource includes free or low-cost activities for the family, along with advice on talking to children about uncertainty in the world and managing stress. To sign up for the 12 Days of Christmas email, visit the website <https://everyfamily.spurgeons.org/> You even have the chance to win a teddy bear for signing up!

**Christmas Holiday Clubs with hot meal provided for children across Devon:** Devon County Council has compiled a helpful list of Christmas holiday clubs across the county, which will be providing a meal to children attending. The holiday clubs include a range of activities such as arts and crafts, sports, cookery, swimming and more. All sessions will be operating for a minimum of four hours, and all schemes are fully inclusive and accessible. Please visit the website [www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/document/haf-providers-christmas-2022](http://www.devon.gov.uk/educationandfamilies/document/haf-providers-christmas-2022) to see further information on the Holiday Clubs available in your local area.

Readings	This week	Next week
<b>Readings for this Sunday:</b>		
1st Reading	Jeremiah 23:1-6	Isaiah 23:1-6
Psalm	46	122
2nd Reading	Colossians 1:11-20	Romans 13:11-End
Gospel	Luke 23:33-43	Matthew 24:36-44

### Readings for the week ahead:

Mon	21 <sup>st</sup>	Luke 21:1-4	Thurs	24 <sup>th</sup>	Luke 21:20-28
Tue	22 <sup>nd</sup>	Luke 21:5-11	Fri	25 <sup>th</sup>	Luke 21:29-33
Wed	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Luke 21:12-19	Sat	26 <sup>th</sup>	Luke 21:34-36

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

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### Today - Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> November

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

### 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](mailto: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  
7.30 pm Bellringing Practice - Ss Peter and Paul, Broadhempston  
7.30-8.30pm Denbury Christmas Choir Practice - **Denbury Primary School**  
Tuesday 10.15 am Holy Communion - St Andrew's Ipplepen  
11.15 am Planning Meeting for Torbryan - St Andrew's Ipplepen  
7.00 pm Group Session:  
Welcome and Hospitality - St Andrew's, Ipplepen  
Wednesday 1.30pm Funeral and Burial Service of  
Michael Gordon Retter - St Andrew's, Ipplepen  
7.00 pm Bellringing Practice - St Mary the Virgin, Denbury  
7.30 pm Bellringing Practice - St Andrew's, Ipplepen  
Thursday 10.15 am Holy Communion - **Church Cottage, Denbury**  
4.30-5.30pm Sta\*x Youth Choir Practice - St Andrew's, Ipplepen  
Friday 12 noon Eucharist for Third Order Franciscans - St Andrew's Ipplepen

### Next Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> Nov 2022 - First Sunday of Advent

9.30 am Holy Communion - St Mary the Virgin, Denbury  
11.00 am Holy Communion - Ss Peter and Paul, Broadhempston  
11.00 am Churches Together - Family Service - **Ipplepen Methodist Church**  
6.00 pm Advent Carol Service - St John the Baptist, Woodland

**In Memory:** Kathleen Woodier, Marie Pook, Margaret 'Jean' Harvey, John Ducker, Diana Hunt, Steven Lloyd, Beryl Humphrey, Michael Retter, Bill Staff and Grace Domoney.

**Celebrating our Gifts, the small group sessions.** We will meet this Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 7pm at St Andrew's Church, Ipplepen when the topic will be 'Welcome and Hospitality'. Please see the poster on our website [www.missioncommunity.org.uk/](http://www.missioncommunity.org.uk/) or contact the Church Office for more details.



## Reflection by Rev'd Andrew Down

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### Recipe for reflecting on Christ the King.

Ingredients: God, you, a piece of art, some scripture and a collect.

Method: Mix together and place in a time of quiet reflection and prayer. Add a candle if you wish.

Serving suggestion: Share new insights with a friend over a cup of coffee or tea.

Enjoy!



Tanja Butler: *Shepherd King*, linocut.

**Collect for Christ the King:** God the Father help us to hear the call of Christ the King and to follow in his service, whose kingdom has no end; for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, One God, one glory. Amen

Micah 5:1-5

### THE COMING SHEPHERD

Now muster your troops, O daughter of troops;  
siege is laid against us;  
with a rod they strike the judge of Israel  
on the cheek.

But you, O Bethlehem Ephrathah,  
who are too little to be among the clans of Judah,  
from you shall come forth for me  
one who is to be ruler in Israel,  
whose coming forth is from of old,  
from ancient days.

Therefore he shall give them up until the time  
when she who is in labor has given birth;  
then the rest of his brothers shall return  
to the people of Israel.

And he shall stand and shepherd his flock in the strength of the Lord,  
in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.  
And they shall dwell secure, for now he shall be great  
to the ends of the earth.  
And he shall be their peace.

This passage looks forward to the coming of an eternal ruler who would bring peace and shepherd God's people. In John 10:14-16; 27-30 Jesus claimed to be this majestic shepherd. "I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep. And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd... My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. I and the Father are one." (ESV)

This meditation is from Ned Bustard (ed.), *Revealed: A Storybook Bible for Grownups*, Square Halo Books, 2015.

**Tanja Butler** was born in Germany in 1955 and moved to the United States as a young girl. She studied art history and studio art and received a graduate degree in painting from the University at Albany, New York. She is interested in the intersection of art and worship. Periods of work in Italy shaped her understanding of ways in which visual art can support the ministry of the church. The frescoes by Fra Angelico in the convent of San Marco in Florence were a particularly influential model. Until 2014, when she retired, she was Associate Professor of Art at Gordon College in Wenham, Massachusetts, where she taught Painting, Printmaking, Illustration, and Liturgical Art.