



Sunday 18th December 2022
@ PPT Bovey Tracey & St Mary's Hennock



Dec

18 Sun

4th Sunday of Advent: *Witness to The Light.*

bible readings: Prov 8.22-31, John 1.1-9

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9.30am

Sunday Praise (HC): Canon Michael Sansom

11.00am

Holy Communion: Canon Michael Sansom

5.00pm

Carols at 5pm: Rev Graham Hamilton

St Mary's

11.00am

Bible readings: Acts 20.13-37, Luke 24.44-49

Holy Communion: Rev. Graham Hamilton

19 Mon

9.00am

Morning Prayer on Zoom

(See below for zoom details)

7.30pm

Carols by Candlelight at PPT.

21 Wed

10.00am

Midweek Communion in the Church Room

7.00pm

Zoom Prayer Group -Carolyn Laycock

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22 Thu

7.00am

Men's Breakfast in Church Room

23 Fri

9.00am

Morning Prayer Zoom- - Rev Graham Hamilton

24 Sat

Christmas Eve

9.00am

Morning Prayer on Zoom

3.00pm

Farmyard Nativity at Warmhill Farm

5.00pm

Carols by the Crib: Rev Graham Hamilton

11.00pm

Christmas Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton

25 Sun

Christmas Day - *Word Made Flesh.*

bible readings: Hebrews 1.1-4, John 1.1-18

PPT

9.30am

Christmas Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton

St Mary's

11.00am

Bible Readings: Hebrews 1.1-4, John 1.10-18

Christmas Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton.

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Mission Focus for December -Open Doors

Our mission focus this month is Open Doors, who support the persecuted church worldwide. Please join in the daily prayers. All gifts in collection plates this month go to Open Doors

Reading the Bible day by day:

If we want our faith to be established firmly, we need to know God's word of grace. There will be a range of bible reading notes for adults, families, teens available to purchase on Sunday, and there are many home groups, and daily prayer online or in person.

Exploring Faith:

We are planning to run the Christianity Explored course, starting on Friday 6 January at 7.30pm in the church room, and the Youth Alpha course, starting on Sunday 8 January at 6pm in the church room. Speak to Graham or Angie, if you are interested in attending.

Funeral Arrangements for Anne Brown

Anne's family have requested a private cremation service before Christmas, and a Memorial service will be held at PPT in January: date to be announced.

Collect for fourth Sunday of Advent

God our redeemer,
who prepared the Blessed Virgin Mary
to be the mother of your Son:
grant that, as she looked for his coming as our saviour,
so we may be ready to greet him
when he comes again as our judge;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Prayer List: Mary Bambridge, Ann Brown, Kathleen Ennor, Diana James, John Little, Rob Martin, Greta Maslen, Jules Murray, Ruth Parnell, Laura Smith, Helen Wray

In Memory: Sally Silsby. Anne Brown

Study Questions:

This Sunday we begin to study John's gospel, and will be working through it from start to finish over the next two years, with studies in Exodus in the spring, and a New Testament letter in the summer.

Icebreaker: Listen to the overture to a well-known film or musical (eg Lord of the Rings, Star Wars, Oliver!, Sound of Music): how many of the themes or songs do you recognise? (This assumes you have seen the film before!)

Read John 1.1-18. What does John NOT tell us about Jesus (which we often hear at this time of year?) What does he tell us instead?

After listening to the Prologue/Overture, to what key words and ideas should we be alert as we study the gospel?

What does the **Word** of God do? (see also Gen 1. vv 3,6,9 etc, Deut 5.24, Ps 33.4-6)

How does God **dwell** among his people? v.14 cf Exod 29.42-6

How can we see God's **glory** v.14, 18 (cf Exod 33.18-20)

Who then is Jesus? cf Heb 1.1-4, Col 1.

Read John 20.28-31. What is John's main aim in writing?

How should we respond, when we recognise the true glory and identity of Jesus?

Mon 19 Dec: Ps146, Isaiah 52.13-end

Pray for the Carols by Candlelight service this evening, that people may hear the gospel, put their trust in Christ, and worship him with their hearts and lives

Tue 20 Dec: Ps 46, Isaiah 54.

Pray for the work of Open Doors, bringing support to persecuted Christians. Pray for Christian converts from Islam under pressure from family to renounce their faith.

Wed 21 Dec: Ps 121, Isaiah 55

Give thanks for the emergency services, for police, fire and ambulance services, especially over the Christmas period when the roads are busy, and services

Thu 22 Dec: Ps 124, Isaiah 56.1-8

Pray for individuals and small businesses affected by strikes. For a just and peaceable resolution of the issues in dispute.

Fri 23 Dec: Ps 130 Isaiah 63.1-6

Pray for our Armed services, especially those on active service or far from home and family. For those caught up in the conflict in Ukraine

Sat 24 Dec: Christmas Eve Ps 45, Isaiah 58

Pray for families gathering for Christmas, and for those who will be alone, to remember Jesus Christ, and make time to worship him with the Christian family wherever they are staying.

Sun 25 Dec: Christmas Day: Ps110, Isaiah 62.1-5

Give thanks for Jesus Christ, who took our nature upon himself so that we might become God's children and know freedom from sin and death.

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