



**Sunday 22 January 2023**  
@ PPT Bovey Tracey & St Mary's Hennock

**January 2023**

**22 Sun**

**Epiphany 3: *Passion and Protest***

bible readings: Jeremiah 7.1-15 John 2.13-end

PPT 9.30am

Sunday Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton

11.00am

Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton

5.00pm

Fellowship@ Five

6.00pm

Youth Alpha in the Church Room

7.00pm

14-18's in Church Room

St Mary's

Bible readings: Isa.62.1-5, John 2.1-12

11.00am

Holy Communion: Rev Paul Reynolds

23 Mon

9.00am

Morning Prayer Zoom- - Rev Graham Hamilton

6.30pm

Wise Guys @Bovey Youth Cafe.

24 Tue

9.00am

Morning Prayer Zoom- - Rev Graham Hamilton

25 Wed

10.00am

Midweek Communion in the Church Room

7.00pm

Zoom Prayer Group -Carolyn Laycock ***click here***

Meeting ID 798 8172 6648: Passcode 9zz8xcmeets

26 Thu

7.00am

Men's Breakfast in Church Room

27 Fri

9.00am

Morning Prayer Zoom- - Rev Graham Hamilton

9.45am

1st Steps in Church Room.

7.30pm

**Christianity Explored** in the church room

**29 Sun**

**Epiphany 4: *Second Birth***

bible readings: Num.21.4-9, John 3.1-21

PPT

9.30am

Sunday Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton

11.00am

Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton

5.00pm

Prayer & Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton

St Mary's

Bible Readings: Jer. 7. 1-15, John 2. 13-35

11.00am

Morning Prayer: Mr Keith Butler

Click [here](#) to join Morning Prayer on Zoom, or enter the ID 986 2130 8247 and Passcode: 102020

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**Mission Focus for January -the Christian Institute ([www.christian.org.uk](http://www.christian.org.uk))**

Our mission focus this month is the **Christian Institute**, which seeks to uphold Christian influence in the UK for the common good in a secular society. You will find regular resource and prayer sheets at the back of church. All gifts in the collection plate this month go to Christian Institute.

### **Vision and Strategy Filming**

on Sunday 29 January the Church of England's Vision and Strategy unit are coming to film our 9.30am service, interview key personnel to learn from our progress in reaching families. You can read about their priorities [here](#). Parents must give permission for children to be filmed: there will be an area in church where you can be seated without being filmed.

**Update on House of Bishops Proposal:** Graham will give a brief update on the news from the House of Bishops at the 5pm 'Fellowship@Five' service this Sunday (22 Jan), and again on Wednesday 1 February at the Monthly Prayer Meeting. This will be held at 7.30pm in the church room, and you can also join in on Zoom (Same as Morning Prayer).

### **Electric Keyboard available.**

Free to anyone who would like this from the late Margaret Cruddace. Has power cord & in working order. Please leave message on office answer machine if you're interested.

### **Collect for the Third Sunday of Epiphany:**

Almighty God,  
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles  
the wonder of your saving presence:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your mighty power;  
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.

**Prayer List:** Mary Bambridge, Beatrix Everidge, David Harris, Ann Hodder, Diana James, Rob Martin, Ruth Parnell, Laura Smith, Theresa Samuels, Helen Wray.

**In Memory:** John Little.

### **Study Questions:**

**Icebreaker:** Have you ever been on a protest Demo? What was it like? Did it make any difference?

Read John 2.13-end, and look at a plan of the Temple of Herod

To what was Jesus objecting in the Temple? (There are many theories, and limited evidence!)

Do you think that Jesus did this at the beginning of his ministry, as John describes, on his final visit to Jerusalem as the Synoptic gospels suggest (Mark 11.15-19), or did he repeat it?

What was Jesus trying to achieve by his action in the Temple? What damage or hurt did Jesus inflict? What did he achieve?

Does Jesus think that the Temple can be reformed? Cf Jn 4.21, Lk 13.34, Mk 13.2,14

The authorities demand a sign - by what authority does Jesus act in the temple? (Consider Jeremiah 7.1-14, Malachi 3.1-4, Zechariah 14.21) and Jn 2.16

What sign does Jesus offer? v19. How is this later misquoted? (Mt 26.60-61) and how is it ultimately fulfilled?

How does the Old Testament help the disciples (and us) understand who Jesus is, and how does Jesus help us understand the full meaning of the Old Testament? Consider vv 17, 22 and Ps 69.1-21

Application:

How does this passage enlarge your image of Jesus - (meek and mild, man of sorrows and ?)

Who or what takes the place of the Temple today for Christians? Jn 1.14, Rev 21.22, 1 Cor 6.19, 1 Pet 2.4-5.

How does this guide us in making protests or seeking reform?

**Mon 23 Jan Ps 108, Hosea 2.18-end of 3.**

Give thanks for the work of the police, courts and prison services, that justice may be seen to be done, and criminals reformed.

**Tue 24 Jan Ps 36, Hosea 4.1-16.**

Give thanks for the Community food hub, Citizen's Advice linke and warm space each Tuesday at the Methodist church and pray that many would find the help they need.

**Wed 25 Jan: Conversion of St Paul Ps 66, Ezekiel 3.22-end.**

Give thanks that the grace of God can convert enemies into friends, and pray for the wounds of the church to be healed and true unity to increase.

**Thu 26 Jan Ps 47, Hosea 5.8-6.6.**

Give thanks for the work of the Christian Institute, and pray that its efforts may bring the salt and light of gospel truth to bear on contemporary issues: pray for freedoms of speech to be protected.

**Fri 27 Jan Holocaust Memorial Day Ps 65, Hosea 6.7-7.2.**

Pray for the Christianity Explored course beginning this evening, for people to come and find deeper understanding and living faith in the Lord Jesus. For Graham leading

**Sat 28 Jan Ps 68, Hosea 8.**

Pray for NHS staff under sustained pressure, for all who are fearful about their health needs, and pray for a political consensus for practical reforms to emerge.

**Sun 29 January Ps 71.1-6,15-17, Haggai 2.1-9.**

Pray for the clear presentation of the gospel and for fruitful response at all services, and for the filming of the 9.30am service for the national church's Vision & Strategy unit.

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