



**Sunday 26th March 2023**  
@ PPT Bovey Tracey & St Mary's Hennock



**March**  
**26 Sun**

**5th Sunday of Lent: *Don't harden your heart.***

PPT                    9.30am  
                          11.00am  
                          5.00pm  
                          7.00pm

bible readings: Exodus 8.20-10.29, Hebrews 3.7-15  
Sunday Praise (HC): Mrs Carolyn Laycock  
Morning Prayer: Mrs Carolyn Laycock  
Fellowship @ Five:  
14-18's in Church Room.

St Mary's

11.00am  
  
12 noon

Bible readings: Acts 20.13-37, Luke 24.44-49  
Holy Communion: Rev. Graham Hamilton  
Bible readings: Exodus 7.1-8.19, Luke 11.14-20  
Annual Parochial Church Meeting

27 Mon

9.00am  
6.30pm

Morning Prayer Zoom -Rev Graham Hamilton  
Wise Guys at Bovey Youth Cafe.

28 Tue

9.00am

Morning Prayer Zoom- Rev Graham Hamilton

29 Wed

10.00am

Holy Communion in the Church Room: Rev Graham

30 Thu

7.00am

Men's Breakfast in Church Room

31 Fri

9.00am  
10.00am

Morning Prayer Zoom- Rev Graham Hamilton  
Funeral of Marion Tyrie in church

**April**  
**2 Sun**

**Palm Sunday: *Passover and Purity.***

                          9.30am  
                          11.00am  
                          5.00pm

Bible Readings: Exodus 11.1-12.36, 1 Cor.5.1-13  
Sunday Praise (all age HC): Rev Graham Hamilton  
Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton  
Prayer and Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton.

St Mary's

11.00am

Bible readings: Exodus 8.20-10.29, Hebrews.3.7-15  
Morning Prayer: Mrs Carolyn Laycock.

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

**New to PPT?** We email this bulletin every week (with [working hyper-links](#)) to the members of the Church Family Roll. If you would like to receive this, to join the electoral roll, or find out more what it means to be part of the church family, then please complete a "Connect" card in church, or email [office@pptbovey.church](mailto:office@pptbovey.church)

**Mission Focus for March is the Peninsula Gospel Partnership** (<https://peninsulagospelpartnership.com/>), a network of local churches from different denominations who want to see a Christ-centred, Bible- teaching, people-loving church available to every community in Devon and Cornwall. The PGP course is a two year, weekly course, based at St Leonard' Exeter, teaching people to know and handle the bible better: many members of PPT have benefitted from the course. All gifts in the collection plate this month go to The Peninsula Gospel Partnership

**Coronation Weekend Plans:** we are looking for volunteers to co-ordinate local events for the Coronation weekend (6-8 May), in particular to assess if there is enough interest to offer a screening of the Coronation in the Church Room on Sat 7 May, or to co-ordinate a Big Coronation Lunch after the 10.30am United Service on Sunday 7 May. Please speak to Graham or the wardens to discuss.

**Spree South West:** <https://www.spreesw.org/>

Friday 23rd- Sunday 25th June 2023 at Westpoint Arena. Suitable for ages 8-17 years. £75 for the weekend to include camping, activities, groups and food (PPT are covering the cost of the food!) . Speak to Rosie for more details and booking code.

**Electoral Roll:** if you are a regular worshipper at PPT and are not yet on the Electoral Roll, please complete a form by 2 May. You will be eligible to vote at the Annual Parochial Church Meeting (on Sat 20 May). The number of electoral roll members also determines the number of representatives at Deanery Synod.

**Congregational Survey:** if you did not receive or complete the congregational survey on the Prayers of Love & Faith last week, please do so today.

**#Compelled to Resist:** the Church of England Evangelical Council (CEEC) invites all who are concerned about the direction of travel in the Church of England to sign their [#Compelled to Resist declaration](#), [using this link](#), or the QR code here.



**Holy Week services:** advance notice of the services leading up to Easter:-

**6 April Maundy Thursday**

7.30pm Holy Communion in the church:

**7 April Good Friday**

12 noon *Hour at the Cross* at St Mary's Hennock

6pm Good Friday service at PPT Bovey

**8 April Holy Saturday**

10am-noon *Easter Trail* in Mill Marsh Park

**9 April Easter Sunday**

9.30am *Easter Praise* in the Churchyard

11am *Easter Communion* in the church

5pm *Prayer & Praise* in the Church Room

**Collect for the Fifth Sunday of Lent**

Most merciful God,  
who by the death and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:  
grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
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, Kathleen Ennor, Beatrix Everidge, Jacob Goulden, David Harris, Ruth Parnell, Ann Sammons, Laura Smith, Cilla Turner, Helen Wray, Alex Abercrombie

**In Memory:** Marion Tyrie, Michael Ilieve

## Study Questions

**Icebreaker:** What subjects or lessons did you find difficult to learn? Did you want to learn them?

**Read Exodus 8.20-10-29:**

Do you see any recurring patterns in the plagues?

Over which elements of creation does God exercise authority? (8.21, 9.3, 9.9, 9.18, 10.13, 10.22)

How does he choose to limit his power? (8.22, 9.3, 9.26, 10.19)

Should we see the hand of God in natural disasters today? (cf Luke 13.1-5)?

How many times does Pharaoh repent and ask for prayer? (8.28, 9.27, 10.16)

How does the Lord show mercy and restraint? (8.30-32, 9.15, 9.33, 10.18)

How does Pharaoh respond to the Lord's mercy? (8.32, 9.34, 10.20)

Who learns from the plagues to fear the word of the Lord? (9.20, 10.7)

**Mon 27 March Ps.73, Jeremiah 21.1-10.**

Pray for the emergency services to bring swift help to those in trouble - for the ambulance service, our retained firefighters, and the Police and Coastguard.

**Tue 28 March Ps. 35 Jeremiah 22.1-5,13-19.**

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

**Wed 29 March: Ps.55 Jeremiah 22.20-23.8**

Give thanks for the work of the Peninsular Gospel Partnership, and pray for the weekly training course meeting every Wednesday morning at St Leonard's, and Chris Keane its director.

**Thu 30 Mar. Ps.40 Jeremiah 23.9-32**

Pray for the improvements and repairs to the church lighting and electrics to be agreed and approved and quickly implemented.

**Fri 31 March Ps.22 Jeremiah 24**

Pray for the family and friends of Marion Tyrie, whose funeral takes place in church today

**Sat 1 April Ps 23, Jeremiah 25.1-14**

Pray for children on Easter holiday, for parents under pressure, and for teachers to enjoy a refreshing break.

**Sun 2 April: Palm Sunday Ps.61, Zechariah 9.9-12.**

Pray that we may gladly hail Christ as King, and not be ashamed to take up our cross to follow him, even when the crowds turn against him.

Read Ex 9.13-16 and 10.1-2 What is the Lord's ultimate purpose in sending plagues?

What does it mean to harden one's heart?

Who is responsible for Pharoah's heart?  
(compare 8.32,9.7,9.12, 9.34, 10.1, 10.20, 10.27)

Read Romans 9.14-26.

Did Pharoah want to change?

Could Pharoah want to change unless God had mercy on him?

Are you grateful that God has had mercy on you - or do you think you deserve it?

How should we live differently in the knowledge of God's power to judge, and his gracious restraint in doing so?

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