



**Sunday 22 September 2024**  
 @ PPT Bovey Tracey & St Mary's Hennock



**The Vicar writes:**

This week we welcome Caroline White and Vikki Neal, who will tell us about the work of Choices Crisis Pregnancy Centre at our morning services at PPT. Next week we have a congregational meeting on Saturday 28 September at 10am: you will find a briefing paper at the back of church or on our website [here](#). You may also find it useful to read the regular reports on the situation in the Church of England produced by the Church of England Evangelical Council (CEEC): <https://mailchi.mp/baab5976cc16/ceec-news-draft-10347559?e=16659011d5>

Finally a reminder that Sunday 29 September is Harvest Festival for PPT and St Mary's. At St Mary's there will be a collection for the work of Farm Africa. At PPT we will be collecting goods for the work of the Homeless in Teignbridge Support (HITS). There is a list of the items they need most in the notes below. There are some invitations at the back of church: why not invite a friend or neighbour to come with you?

yours in Christ, Graham

**September  
22nd**

**17th after Trinity: Inheritance**

9.30am	Bible Readings: Numbers 27, 1 Peter 1.1-9
11.00am	Sunday Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton
5.00pm	Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton
7.00pm	Prayer & Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton
	14-18's in Church room.

**St Mary's**

11.00am	Bible readings: Numbers 32, Ephesians 4.1-11.
	Holy Communion: Canon Michael Sansom

**23 Mon**

9.00am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
6.30pm	Wise Guys in Bovey Youth Cafe.

**25 Wed**

10.00am	Holy Communion: Canon Michael Sansom
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**26 Thu**

7.00am	Men's Breakfast in Church room.
9.30am	Ladies Sewing group in Church room.

**27 Fri**

10.00am	'Friday Friends' toddler group in the Church Room
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**28 Sat**

10.00am	Congregational Meeting in the Church Room
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**29th**

**St Michael & All Angels/Harvest**

10.30am	Bible readings: Matthew 13.24-43
	All Age Harvest Communion : Rev Graham Hamilton followed by Harvest Lunch & dismantling of marquee
5.00pm	Prayer & Praise: Rev David Harris

**St Mary's**

4.00pm	Bible Readings: Matthew 13.24-43
	Harvest Festival: Rev Graham Hamilton followed by tea in church

Please join us for Morning Prayer on Zoom at 9.00am on Mondays and Fridays. It lasts no more than half an hour. It's simple to join: just click [here](#) to join Morning Prayer, 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 September** is 'Choices' pregnancy crisis network, with offices in Exeter and Teignmouth. You can read more about them on their website [www.choicespregnancycentre.co.uk](http://www.choicespregnancycentre.co.uk), and we hope to have a report on their work at the morning services on Sunday 22 September.

All gifts in the collection plate or using Contactless go to our monthly mission focus. Gifts in yellow Gift Aid envelopes are for the general church funds.

**Bible Reading notes:** there is a range of bible reading notes at the back of church supplied by Choice Words (71 Queen Street, Newton Abbot, tel: 334027). Please feel free to borrow them for a week to try them out, and then return them to church.

**Congregational Meeting:** there will be a special congregational meeting in the Bovey Church Room on Saturday 28 September at 10am.

**Harvest Festival** will be held on Sunday 29 September. There will be a united service at PPT at 10.30am followed by a bring and share lunch (details of what you can bring will be published shortly). Please sign up to give an indication of numbers. Afterwards we will take the marquee down for the winter. Harvest Festival at Hennock will be at 4pm, followed by tea and cakes.

**Catechism Question of week: Is there more than one God?**

**A:** No, there is only one true God - "Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one. (Deuteronomy 6.4)

**HITS Items needed:** we are collecting for HITS at our Harvest Festival. HITS are in urgent need of the following items please: Bags Of Sugar; Tins Of Rice Pudding; Jars Of Pasta or Curry Sauce; Tins Of Chopped Tomatoes; Tins Of Soup; Ladies & Mens Roll On Deodorant; Tins Of Meat Meals Such As Curry, Chicken In Sauce; Toothpaste & Toothbrushes; Packets Of Microwaveable Rice; Jars Of Jam or Peanut Butter; Tins Of Spaghetti or Macaroni & Cheese, Tinned Potatoes, Toilet rolls, Instant coffee or Tea.

**Hearts on Fire Evangelism Conference:** Wednesday 16 October at St Andrew's Plymouth 10am - 4pm. Tickets £12 from [evangelism-conference.org.uk](http://evangelism-conference.org.uk).

**Prayer List:** John Ayre, Susie Beauchamp, Robbie Beauchamp, Judy Bowen, Helen Caddy, Nina Coleby-Clarke, Julie Griffiths, Rachel Knightly, Brian and Marguerite Mason, Noah Maynard, Ronald Percy, Reg Richer, Janet Skittrell.

**In memory:** James Swales, Frances Swan

## **Collect for the Seventeenth Sunday after Trinity**

Almighty God,  
you have made us for yourself,  
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:  
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,  
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city  
where we shall see you face to face;  
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.

## **Study questions on Numbers 27.1-11 & Numbers 36**

**Icebreaker:** What inheritance or family heirloom do you treasure (or desire) most?

Context: the Israelites are encamped across the Jordan from the promised land. A new census has been conducted, after the first (disobedient) generation has died in the desert.

Read Numbers 27.1-11: what are the daughters of Zelophehad requesting? What is their motivation and attitude?

How does Moses respond? (Contrast his responses at Num 11.10, 14.5, 16.4, 20.6)

What is the purpose of the new law from the LORD? (vv 7-11)

Read Numbers 36: the half-tribe of Manasseh has now been allocated land east of the Jordan (Num 32.33), and a committee set up for allotting inheritances when the Conquest has been completed (ch 34-35)

What is the concern of the family heads of the clan of Gilead (36.1-4)?

What is the law of Jubilee? (cf Leviticus 25)

How does Moses respond? (vv 5-9)

How do the daughters of Zelophehad respond to this new, restrictive, ruling? (10-12)

These chapters may not speak directly to our situation in a capitalist economy where few of us work the land or remain in one place for many years, never mind for generations. Nor does it give us straightforward principles for inheritance law.

What advice does scripture give us about earthly inheritances? (Lk 12.13, Heb 11.13-15)

What advice does scripture give us about marriage? (1 Cor 7 esp v.39, 2 Cor 6.14)

Read 1 Peter 1.3-10. What is our true inheritance, and how do we obtain it, and ensure continuing possession?

Give thanks to God for our imperishable inheritance through Christ: why not use the Collect for this Sunday (above)?

**Mon 23 Sep Ps 71, 1 Kings 21.**

Give thanks for the Wise Guys group of 11-14s meeting at the Youth Cafe, and pray that new members settle in well and are receptive to learning more about faith: for Angie, Jess and Elizabeth in their leadership

**Tue 24 Sep Ps 73, 1 Kings 22.1-28.**

Pray for the gospel of peace to bring reconciliation to long-running feuds and hostilities. for the work of peacemakers and diplomats in the corridors of power.

**Wed 25 Sep Ps 77, 1 Kings 22.29-45.**

Give thanks for the work of Choices Crisis Pregnancy Centre, and pray that volunteers may be wisely chosen and well trained to give support to women and partners in distress.

**Thu 26 Sep Ps 78.1-39, 2 Kings 1.2-17.**

Give thanks for the weekly men's breakfast, and pray that men will encourage one another to walk with God in their daily lives, and pray more earnestly for the coming of God's kingdom.

**Fri 27 Sep : Ps 55, 2 Kings 2.1-18**

Pray for the Friday Friends group for mums, carers and toddlers to flourish and to provide a regular witness to the love of God.

**Sat 28 Sep Ps 76, 2 Kings 4.1-37**

Pray that the congregational meeting brings a deeper sense of unity and commitment to the work of the gospel in our community, and to fervent prayer for the Church of England in this critical time.

**Sun 29 Sep Ps 34, Daniel 12.1-4.**

Give thanks for God's provision of our daily needs through the Harvest. Pray for deeper awareness of our dependence upon farmers, and for generosity to those struggling with the cost of living, and the ministry of the Homeless in Teignbridge Support (HITS) foodbank.

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