

Sunday 23 July 2023 @ PPT Bovey Tracey & St Mary's Hennock



23 Sun		7th after Trinity: Treasures & Trash bible readings: 1 Cor.4, Ps 139.1-12, Matthew 5.1-14
PPT	9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm 7.00pm	Sunday Praise: Rev Graham Hamilton Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton Hard Questions (3): Rev Graham Hamilton 14-18's in Church room.
St Mary's	11.00am	Bible Readings: Romans 8.12-25, Matthew 13.24-43 Morning Worship: Mr Graham Whittle
24 Mon	9.00am 6.30pm	Morning Prayer on Zoom Wise Guys @PPT Church Room.
26 Wed 27 Thu	10.00am 7.00am 9.30am	Holy Communion in Church: Rev Graham Hamilton Men's Breakfast in Church Room Sewing Group in the Church Room
28 Fri	9.00am	Morning Prayer on Zoom
30 Sun		8th after Trinity: The Sign of the Son bible readings: 2 Kings 5.1-14, John 4.43-end
PPT	9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm	Sunday Praise (HC): Mrs Carolyn Laycock Morning Worship: Mrs Carolyn Laycock Fellowship@5: Mr Mark Alexander
St Mary's	11.00am	Bible readings: 1 Cor.4, Ps 139.1-12, Matthew 5.1-14 Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton

Click <u>here</u> to join Morning Prayer on Zoom, or enter the ID 986 2130 8247 and Passcode: 102020

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Our Mission Focus for July is Compassion UK

All gifts in the collection plate this month go to the work of <u>Compassion UK</u>, a Christian agency that enables families to sponsor children in poor countries through the work of local churches. We will be working with churches in Kenya. If you want to sponsor a child (£1 a day), there is a set of profiles at the back of church. The sums raised for mission so far this year are shown in the table on the right:

Jan	Christian Institute	£295.53
Feb	Peninsula Gospel Partners	£336.88
Mar	Turkey/Syria – Tear Fund	£556.43
Apr	Leprosy Mission	£643.91
May	Falcon Camps	£762.94
Jun	Sandels Family - YWAM	£292.96

Diocesan Consultation:

The Bishop of Exeter retires in September, and the Diocese is holding consultations on what qualities the next Bishop will need, and what the significant needs of the Diocese are at this. You can comment <u>online here</u>, or complete a paper copy from the back of church and scan or post it to the Diocese, or comment at one of the public consultations to be announced shortly. The consultation closes on 31 July.

<u>Hard Questions:</u> The final session of our hard questions will be held at 5pm this Sunday 23 July. If the church has changed its mind on slavery and women's ordination, why can't it change its mind on same-sex relationships? There will be group discussion, a talk by Graham and a Question & Answer session.

<u>Plastic-Free Campaign:</u> Tearfund are part of a global campaign to reduce plastic pollution. 2 billion people have no safe way to dispose of rubbish, and it's people in poverty who are suffering the worst impacts of this rubbish problem. They are forced to live and work among piles of waste, which is making them sick, releasing toxic fumes, flooding communities and causing up to a million deaths each year. You can sign their <u>petition here</u>

Overseas Student looking for accommodation over the summer.

A request from Robin Alexander for a host family/families for the summer:

"My father in law (Luke) who lives in Dubai, knows a family who are from Saudi Arabia, who have an 18 year old looking for a Christian family to stay with over the summer to help him improve his English and then go onto to Uni to study environmental engineering. I'm told he's a nice chap who's English is pretty good already. He will likely just be soaking up the culture and looking to get out and practice his English and get used to the English way of life. Are there any family's who would be happy to take him on for the summer, or at least a week or two." If you can help please contact Robin on 07925797544 or email him: robinalexandermusic@yahoo.com

Collect for Trinity 7

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: graft in our hearts the love of your name, increase in us true religion, nourish us with all goodness, and of your great mercy keep us in the same; 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, Martha Hamilton, Gillian Huddy, Frances Marrow, Richard Mann, Frances Swan, Rosemary Tyrrell, Helen Wray

In Memory: Brian Brett, Laura Smith.

Study Questions: 1 Corinthians 4

Ice-breaker: Do you enjoy giving customer feedback on your purchases? Should we have regular feedback about Sunday services? (Sermon, music,

refreshments etc)

Read 1 Cor 4.1-5 What is Paul's ministry? (v.1) To whom is he accountable? (v.4)

How should ministers be accountable?

Do we need or want to be judged? Who is able to judge fairly? (Ps 139.1, 10-12)

Read 1 Cor 4.6-13

v6 is difficult to translate - compare some different translations.

The point however is fairly clear: don't be puffed up against one another, because all that you have was given to you - and is no ground for boasting.

In vv.8-13 Paul contrasts the attitudes and experience of apostles with the Corinthian church. How would you describe his tone?

Paul uses the vivid language of the Roman amphitheatre (vv 9-10) and the rubbish dump (v13) to describe his public reputation.

What were the Corinthians expecting Christian life to be like?

What did Jesus promise his disciples? (Mk 8.34-48, Mt 5.1-14)

What sort of expectations should we have of life in the present age?

Read vv 14-21. How does Paul's tone change?

What authority does Paul have over the Church at Corinth?

How does he exercise it?

How do we expect our ministers to pastor us effectively? Do we allow them to correct, exhort or rebuke us?

Pray for ministers to be held to proper account, and to be able to exercise their pastoral ministry effectively.

The sermons over the summer will be on John's gospel, chapters 5-6

There will be no study notes during August.

Study notes will resume in September when we return to 1 Corinthians 5-7
a Passion for Purity.

Mon 24 July Ps.1, Jeremiah 26.

Pray for all those affected by the extreme heat in various parts of the world; for those caring for everyone who has become ill as a result and for all those fighting the fires caused by the heat. Pray for a return to more normal temperatures.

Tue 25 July Ps.7, 2 Kings 1.9-15.

Give thanks for all the holiday clubs and activity centres which are provided for school children during the summer holidays. Pray that the children will be kept safe whilst they enjoy their time there and give thanks for all who work with the children.

Wed 26 July Ps.119.1-32, Jeremiah 29.1-14

Give thanks and pray for the work of Compassion UK as they endeavour to find support for children living with the devastating effects of poverty, Covid-19 and the current global food crisis

Thu 27 July Ps.15, Jeremiah 30.1-11.

Pray for our NHS - Pray for all those affected by the long waiting lists for a consultation, surgery, an examinations or scan and that these waiting times can be shortened. Pray for a speedy, sustainable and satisfactory resolution to be found to the long running pay disputes.

Fri 28 July Ps.19 Jeremiah 30.12-22.

Following the withdrawal by Russia of their guarantee of safety for shipping in the Black Sea pray for the safety of shipping in that area. Also pray for an alternative route to be found for Ukraine to export their grain so as to prevent further food shortages in the Global South

Sat 29 July: Ps.23, Jeremiah 31.1-22.

Pray for the Bovey Carnival, and Picnic in the Parke tonight, that it may be a happy community event.

Sun 30 July: Ps.77, Song of Solomon 2.

Pray for the Devon Army Cadet Camp beginning today in Shropshire, and for Graham acting as Chaplain.

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