

Collect for Today

Heavenly Father,
whose blessed Son was revealed
to destroy the works of the devil
and to make us the children of God and heirs of
eternal life:
grant that we, having this hope,
may purify ourselves even as he is pure;
that when he shall appear in power and great glory
we may be made like him in his eternal and
glorious kingdom;
where he is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen

Readings for This Week (may vary)

Jonah 3.1-5,10
(Psalm 62.5-120
Hebrews 9.24-28
Mark 1.14-20

Readings for Next Week (may vary)

Daniel 7.9-10,13,14
(Psalm 93)
Revelation 1.4b-8
John 18.33-37

Verse for the Week:

Just as people are destined to die once, and after that
to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take
away the sins of many; and he will appear a second
time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those
who are waiting for him. **Hebrews 9.27-28**

Prayer & Reading Diary Hatherleigh

Monday

Read: Daniel 7.9-10,13,14
Prayer: Give thanks for a safe carnival weekend
where our 'church folks' were very visible making a
difference.

Tuesday

Read: Psalm 93
Prayer: Pray for the continued good use of our
Tuesday coffee mornings by those who need them.

Wednesday

Read: Revelation 1.4b-8
Prayer: Pray for the church in Hatherleigh as we
seek to be more structured in our pastoral care for
each other and grow in unity and faith.

Thursday

Read: John 18.33-37
Prayer: Pray for clear direction for our youth work
which is a little 'in flux' right now, that we make good
decisions as we seek to serve the young in our
community.

Friday

Read: Daniel 5
Prayer: Pray for our gym users, that they have good
encounters while using the facility that encourage
faith conversations.

Saturday

Read: John 6.1-15
Prayer: Give thanks with us for our progress on
building repairs as we now turn towards positive
reordering changes, that the team keep momentum
and find joy in seeing the plans become reality.

Notices:



*** Northmoor Team Website and A Church Near You:** This is a key 'shop window' for those looking to join us. I need one or two folk from each parish (especially those without websites of their own) to contact me so that we can find a way to keep your parish information updated online. This need not be an onerous task, and you do not need to be a web developer to do it! - Rev Gill

*** Growing in Prayer:** This free online course is running from 7.30-9pm for the 4 Mondays in November. As we prepare for vacancy the need for "all the saints" to be strengthened in their own gifts and ministries is important. This is a wonderful opportunity to grow in your own private prayer and relationship with God. Book online at <https://forms.gle/FsaHQTKEosJSC5W2A>. – Rev Gill.

*** Wednesday 27th November: Celtic Evening Prayer** at Jacobstowe, starting at 7pm.

Dates for your Diary:



* Friday November 15th Quiz Night

There is a "Back to school quiz" on Friday 15th November 7:00 for 7:30 in the church hall in Market Street Okehampton. Teams of six, £6pp including a pasty. Come and join the fun and be the first to win the Quiz Challenge Cup!

Booking essential, phone Ruth on 07551 655424

Many thanks

Ruth x

* Monday 9th Dec: Christmas Wreath Making

Workshop at 7pm in the Church Hall, Okehampton. Materials provided. Booking Essential
To book or for further information call Mish Flexman on 07913329148

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Church Services:



Sunday 17th November

(2nd Sunday before Advent)

9:30am

Belstone – Morning Prayer
Inwardleigh – Holy Communion
Exbourne – Holy Communion
Meeth - Morning Praise
Northlew - Holy Communion
Bridestowe - Joint Service with Methodists
Bratton Clovelly - Holy Communion

11:00am

Okehampton - Holy Communion
Hatherleigh – Family Service
Lydford - Morning Prayer

7:00pm

Hatherleigh - Prayer and Praise

Sunday 24th November

(Sunday next before Advent/ Christ the King)

8:30am

Sticklepath – Holy Communion

9:30am

Belstone – Holy Communion
Inwardleigh – Morning Prayer
Bridestowe – Family Service
Sourton – Morning Prayer
Bratton Clovelly – Morning Prayer
Northlew - Morning Prayer
Jacobstowe - Holy Communion

11:00am

Okehampton - Holy Communion
Hatherleigh – Morning Service
Lydford – Holy Communion
Exbourne – Morning Prayer
Meeth – Holy Communion

6:00pm

Hatherleigh – Evensong

Grapevine

2nd Sunday before Advent

17th Nov 2024



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As I write I'm still somewhat bleary eyed from the sleepless weekend that is Hatherleigh carnival. This incredible event, with hundreds of participants, dozens of organisers and thousands of visitors occurs every year and transforms our sleepy little town into something hard to imagine if you've not been here. What makes a tiny population work so hard to bring together not just this, but a whole list of events throughout the year? A very clear vision of what they want this community to feel like; welcoming, inclusive and celebrating its identity. Well there's a thing we could learn as the church of Jesus Christ.

Do we know who we are, and what we're here for? Are we prepared to put in the effort to bring reality to the vision? I hope so. This is something we're looking at in the northern five parishes as we approach and engage with Advent this year. We're trying to understand each other's different perspectives on the church to work even closer towards the great goal of unity, understanding and reconciliation. For me, the word 'reconciliation' is the single defining word for what the gospel is all about; Jesus' vision [expressed in Colossians 1] to reconcile all things to himself. If it's important to Jesus, it should be important to us. So let's examine our hearts once again, share 'the peace' with intention and move forward to see wonderful things amongst us as 'kingdom' people for the good of the world around us, and for the glory of God.

Leigh Winsbury