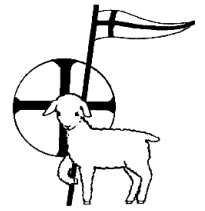


St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ



Sunday 19th May 2024

Pentecost

Today's Services

9.30am Parish Communion

President and Preacher: The Rt Revd Andrew Rumsey, Bishop of Ramsbury

Gloria: *Grayston Ives* Sanctus, Agnus Dei: *Missa Brevis Sancti Johannis de Deo Haydn*

Hymns: 137 Come down O love divine; Enemy of Apathy (*words overleaf*); 431 O thou who camest from above

During Communion: Litany to the Holy Spirit *Peter Hurford* Final hymn: 140 Holy Spirit come confirm us

Organ voluntary: Kyrie, Gott Heiliger Geist *JS Bach*

6.00pm Choral Evensong

Officiant: The Ven Alan Jeans MBE, Archdeacon of Sarum

Introit: If ye love me *Thomas Tallis*

Setting: *Herbert Brewer* in D Responses: *Sanders* Psalm 139 vs 1-11

Hymns: 138 Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire; 252 The day thou gavest, Lord, is ended

Anthem: Listen sweet dove *Grayston Ives*

Organ voluntary: Spirit (from Cantic of the Rose) *Alan Ridout*

The Revd Juliette Hulme is unwell. We are very grateful to Bishop Andrew and Archdeacon Alan for coming at short notice to lead our services today.

Next Sunday, 26th May

Trinity Sunday

8.00am Holy Communion (BCP)

9.30am Parish Communion

For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, we are asked to pray this month that the fathers and grandfathers of the community there may set a good example to their families: and that there be peace and no cattle related violence in the Diocese. Please also pray for support for Internally Displaced Persons in Cueibet.

A prayer for our benefice

Almighty God, you know us better than we know ourselves and you hold us in the palm of your hand. Guide us, we pray, as we consider the future shape of ministry in the Nadder Valley; may we be open to hear your voice and to be guided by your Holy Spirit. Amen.

In Memoriam

We were very sorry to hear of the death early last week of **Roger Dearden**. He and Sally were on holiday at the time. We pray for Sally and the family at this time of loss.

Open Gardens: Old Fonthill Abbey Gardens

Sunday 19th May

The grounds of Old Fonthill Abbey, SP3 6SP, are open between 10.30am and 4.30pm, in aid of Cure Parkinson's and local charities. Come and enjoy a walk around the woods and lake and admire the bluebells – delicious refreshments available, too! Donations on the gate (£10 suggested donation). Dogs welcome on leads.

Church Stall at the Village Fete

Saturday 15th June

Last year, our stall at the village fete raised over £500 for church funds, thanks to your generous donations of cakes & produce and plants. We are having a stall again this year – do please start thinking about what you might contribute! Further information from Trish (07765 226705) or Jessica (07483 846950)

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The Collect for the Day of Pentecost

God, who as at this time taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgement in all things and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through the merits of Christ Jesus our Saviour, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, 'Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power.' All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, 'What does this mean?' But others sneered and said, 'They are filled with new wine.'

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them: 'Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

"In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

The Gradual Hymn: Enemy of Apathy

1. She sits like a bird, brooding on the waters,
Hovering on the chaos of the world's first day;
She sighs and she sings, mothering creation,
Waiting to give birth to all the Word will say.

2. She wings over earth, resting where she wishes,
Lighting close at hand or soaring through the skies;
She nests in the womb, welcoming each wonder,
Nourishing potential hidden to our eyes.

3. She dances in fire, startling her spectators,
Waking tongues of ecstasy where dumbness reigned;
She weans and inspires all whose hearts are open,
Nor can she be captured, silenced or restrained.

4. For she is the Spirit, one with God in essence,
Gifted by the Saviour in eternal love;
She is the key opening the scriptures,
Enemy of apathy and heavenly dove.

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The Gospel: John 15.26-27; 16.4b-15

Jesus said, 'When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning. But I have said these things to you so that when their hour comes you may remember that I told you about them.

'I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, "Where are you going?" But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless, I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgement: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgement, because the ruler of this world has been condemned. 'I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.