# St John the Baptist Church, Tisbury

reflecting Jesus Christ

## Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2024

## St Peter, Apostle (transferred)

### Today's Service: Benefice service at St Peter, Swallowcliffe

#### 11.15am Parish Communion – Patronal Festival

President and Preacher: The Rt Revd Tim Thornton

We welcome the Rt Revd Tim Thornton, former Bishop of Truro, who some of you may remember from his time as Bishop of Sherborne. After the service, there will be an opportunity to chat with Bishop Tim and with members of the other churches at the Royal Oak pub, close to St Peter's church. This is the only service in the benefice on 30<sup>th</sup> June – do come!

Next Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> July

#### 9.30am All-Age Service

#### Led by Canon Judy Anderson

Our regular informal All-Age service will include a Bible reading, a short address, prayers and a gentle activity for all who would like to participate. Music will be led by the Band. The theme of the service is Peace.

#### For your prayers

In our linked diocese of Cueibet, South Sudan, we are asked to pray this month for the work of the various NGOs in Cueibet, especially those engaged in health care. Please pray for the struggle against malaria and other major diseases that affect the community there.

#### A prayer for the world:

Father God, we pray for our world today. We pray for peace and hope to abound. Many are affected by natural disasters: floods, droughts and forest fires. Many are struggling with conflict,

poverty and the global food crisis. O Lord, we pray for your provision, peace and protection. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Please pray for the General Election on Thursday. We pray for respectful and kind debates and conversations, for honesty and integrity in those running for office, for the Spirit of peace and order to prevail, and for God's will to be done in the nation.

We give thanks for Rebecca McDonnell, ordained Priest in Salisbury Cathedral on 29<sup>th</sup> June. Please pray for her in her continuing ministry at Sherborne Abbey, and for Stewart, Cullin and Murdo.

#### To ponder: John Wesley on voting

- I. Vote without fee or reward for the person/cause that is most worthy
- 2. Speak no evil of the person/cause that you vote against
- 3. Don't become sharp in your spirit with those who vote differently

### For your diary: Jazz in the Garden

Don't miss this event, which will take place on **Saturday 10th August** from 4.00 to 8.00pm. Details to follow – but why not put it in your diary now?

## **Congratulations!**

The two concerts organised by Quentin Edwards raised over  $\pounds 1,600$  for Ukraine, with Gift Aid still to be added. Thank you to all who took part, and especially to Quentin, for giving your time and talents to raise funds for such a worthwhile cause.

For those who didn't see last week's newsletter, our stalls at the village fete two weeks ago raised well over £900 for church funds. Thank you to all involved in any way.

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