NOTICES

Sunday 17th September

9.45 Calstone: Morning Worship 10.00 Cherhill: Holy Communion 11.15 Heddington: Holy Communion

9.45 Yatesbury: Harvest

Monday 18 th September	10.00 Heddington Coffee Morning 7.15pm Prayer Meeting
Tuesday 19 th September	9.15 Little Fishes
Wednesday 20 th September	1.30pm Home Group at the Rectory
Thursday 21 st September	10.00 Benefice Council
Saturday 23 rd & 24 th September	Heddington Scarecrow Trail
Sunday 24 th September	9.45 Calstone: Harvest 10.00 Cherhill: Harvest 4.00pm Compton Bassett: Harvest 6.00pm Heddington: Said Evensong

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If you need help with safeguarding issues, please contact the Safeguarding Officer on 07864 000906

17th September 15th Sunday after Trinity Exodus 14.19-31 Matthew 18.21-35



God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:

grant that your people may be fervent in the fellowship of the gospel that, always abiding in you, they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service; 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.

Next week: 16th Sunday after Trinity

Exodus 16.2-15 Matthew 20.1-16

Manna from heaven

Harvest Services

Deuteronomy 8.7-18 Luke 12.16-30

Welcome

We hope you feel welcome at our church and find it a place where you can meet with God. If you are unsure about anything, please ask the person who gave you this sheet.

We love children and we understand they will make some noise; don't worry about it! However, if you feel your youngest ones would benefit from playing quietly in a corner, do ask the people who welcomed you and they can point you in a suitable direction. We may even have the odd book or toy for them to play with.

A loop system may be provided in this church. Please ask or check byswitching your hearing aid to the "T" position.

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 14.19-31

Then the angel of God, who had been travelling in front of Israel's army, withdrew and went behind them. The pillar of cloud also moved from in front and stood behind them, coming between the armies of Egypt and Israel. Throughout the night the cloud brought darkness to the one side and light to the other; so neither went near the other all night long.

Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and all that night the LORD drove the sea back with a strong east wind and turned it into dry land. The waters were divided, and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left.

The Egyptians pursued them, and all Pharaoh's horses and chariots and horsemen followed them into the sea. During the last watch of the night the LORD looked down from the pillar of fire and cloud at the Egyptian army and threw it into confusion. He jammed the wheels of their chariots so that they had difficulty driving. And the Egyptians said, 'Let's get away from the Israelites! The LORD is fighting for them against Egypt.'

Then the LORD said to Moses, 'Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the waters may flow back over the Egyptians and their chariots and horsemen.' Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the sea went back to its place. The Egyptians were fleeing towards it, and the LORD swept them into the sea. The water flowed back and covered the chariots and horsemen – the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed the Israelites into the sea. Not one of them survived.

But the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with a wall of water on their right and on their left. That day the LORD saved Israel from the hands of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians lying dead on the shore. And when the Israelites saw the mighty hand of the LORD displayed against the Egyptians, the people feared the LORD and put their trust in him and in Moses his servant.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18.21-35

Then Peter came to Jesus and asked, 'Lord, how many times shall I forgive my brother or sister who sins against me? Up to seven times?'

Jesus answered, 'I tell you, not seven times, but seventy-seven times.

'Therefore, the kingdom of heaven is like a king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. As he began the settlement, a man who owed him ten thousand bags of gold was brought to him. Since he was not able to pay, the master ordered that he and his wife and his children and all that he had be sold to repay the debt.

'At this the servant fell on his knees before him. "Be patient with me," he begged, "and I will pay back everything." The servant's master took pity on him, cancelled the debt and let him go.

'But when that servant went out, he found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred silver coins. He grabbed him and began to choke him. "Pay back what you owe me!" he demanded.

'His fellow servant fell to his knees and begged him, "Be patient with me, and I will pay it back."

'But he refused. Instead, he went off and had the man thrown into prison until he could pay the debt. When the other servants saw what had happened, they were outraged and went and told their master everything that had happened. 'Then the master called the servant in. "You wicked servant," he said, "I cancelled all that debt of yours because you begged me to. Shouldn't you have had mercy on your fellow servant just as I had on you?" In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.

'This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

Upcoming PCC Meetings

Cherhill: Monday 25th September at 1.30pm Calstone: Thursday 5th October at 6.00pm

Heddington: Wednesday 11th October at 10.00am Yatesbury: Thursday 16th November at 5.00pm

The Bible Study group has started again (meeting fortnightly). The next meeting will be on Thursday 28th September at 7. 15 pm.

We are continuing with our series of studying characters from the Bible (starting with King David) and then plan to look at some of the books of the prophets.

Anybody is most welcome to join us. Please contact Penelope Kilbee (01249 760776) for more information.

Home Group at the Rectory

The next meeting will be at 1.30pm on Wednesday 20th August.