

NOTICES

Sunday 24th September

9.45 Calstone: Harvest
 10.00 Cherhill: Harvest
 4.00pm Compton Bassett: Harvest
 6.00pm Heddington: Said Evensong

Monday 25 th September	10.00 Heddington Coffee Morning 1.30pm Cherhill PCC
Tuesday 26 th September	9.15 Little Fishes
Thursday 28 th September	10.30 Compton Bassett Charity Coffee Morning 7.30pm Bible Study Group
Friday 29 th September	7.30pm Calstone Harvest Supper
Saturday 30 th September	9.30 Heddington Churchyard Tidy
Sunday 1 st October	10.30 Calstone: Benefice Communion

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

24th September
16th Sunday after Trinity
Exodus 16.2-15
Matthew 20.1-16



O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear
 the prayers
 of your people who call upon you;
 and grant that they may both perceive and
 know
 what things they ought to do,
 and also may have grace and power
 faithfully to fulfil them;
 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:
17th Sunday after
Trinity

Exodus 17.1-7
Matthew 21.23-32

The waters of Meribah

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 by switching your hearing aid to the "T" position.

Receiving the bread and wine

We have been asked by the Department of Health and the House of Bishops to discourage the dipping of wafers into the chalice as it is considered to increase the risk to others' health. If for any reason you do not wish to drink from the chalice, could I therefore ask you to simply let it pass you by. The Church of England has always taught that it is sufficient to receive just the bread. If you have any questions about this, please speak to me after the service or during the week.

PLEASE TAKE THIS LEAFLET HOME WITH YOU

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 16.2-15

In the desert the whole community grumbled against Moses and Aaron. The Israelites said to them, ‘If only we had died by the LORD’s hand in Egypt! There we sat round pots of meat and ate all the food we wanted, but you have brought us out into this desert to starve this entire assembly to death.’

Then the LORD said to Moses, ‘I will rain down bread from heaven for you. The people are to go out each day and gather enough for that day. In this way I will test them and see whether they will follow my instructions. On the sixth day they are to prepare what they bring in, and that is to be twice as much as they gather on the other days.’

So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, ‘In the evening you will know that it was the LORD who brought you out of Egypt, and in the morning you will see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we, that you should grumble against us?’ Moses also said, ‘You will know that it was the LORD when he gives you meat to eat in the evening and all the bread you want in the morning, because he has heard your grumbling against him. Who are we? You are not grumbling against us, but against the LORD.’

Then Moses told Aaron, ‘Say to the entire Israelite community, “Come before the LORD, for he has heard your grumbling.”’

While Aaron was speaking to the whole Israelite community, they looked towards the desert, and there was the glory of the LORD appearing in the cloud.

The LORD said to Moses, ‘I have heard the grumbling of the Israelites. Tell them, “At twilight you will eat meat, and in the morning you will be filled with bread. Then you will know that I am the LORD your God.”’

That evening quail came and covered the camp, and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the dew was gone, thin flakes like frost on the ground appeared on the desert floor. When the Israelites saw it, they said to each other, ‘What is it?’ (in Hebrew “Manna?”) For they did not know what it was.

Moses said to them, ‘It is the bread the LORD has given you to eat.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 20.1-16

‘For the kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire workers for his vineyard. He agreed to pay them a denarius for the day and sent them into his vineyard.

‘About nine in the morning he went out and saw others standing in the market-place doing nothing. He told them, “You also go and work in my vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.” So they went.

‘He went out again about noon and about three in the afternoon and did the same thing. About five in the afternoon he went out and found still others standing around. He asked them, “Why have you been standing here all day long doing nothing?”

““Because no one has hired us,” they answered.

‘He said to them, “You also go and work in my vineyard.”

‘When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his foreman, “Call the workers and pay them their wages, beginning with the last ones hired and going on to the first.”

‘The workers who were hired about five in the afternoon came and each received a denarius. So when those came who were hired first, they expected to receive more. But each one of them also received a denarius. When they received it, they began to grumble against the landowner. “These who were hired last worked only one hour,” they said, “and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the work and the heat of the day.”

‘But he answered one of them, “I am not being unfair to you, friend. Didn’t you agree to work for a denarius? Take your pay and go. I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. Don’t I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous?”

‘So the last will be first, and the first will be last.’

Heddington Coffee Morning

Come along for tea, coffee, cake, and a chat. All welcome
Mondays from 10.00-11.00 @ St. Andrews Church

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 4th October.

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