

NOTICES

Sunday 4th October (19th Sunday after Trinity)
Philippians 4.1-9; Matthew 22.1-14

10.30 Yatesbury: Benefice Communion

Monday 5 th October	10.00 Heddington Coffee Morning
Tuesday 6 th October	9.15 Little Fishes
Wednesday 7 th October	10.00 Cherhill Coffee Morning
Thursday 8 th October	11.00 Heddington PCC Meeting
Sunday 11 th October	9.45 Calstone: Mornings Worship 6.00pm Cherhill: Informal Evening Worship 10.00 Compton Bassett: Holy Communion 11.15 Heddington: Harvest

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You will find contact details for the churchwardens in the Villages magazine.

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

4th October
Eighteenth Sunday after Trinity
Isaiah 5.1-7
Matthew 21.33-46



Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
increase in us your gift of faith
that, forsaking what lies behind
and reaching out to that which is before,
we may run the way of your
commandments
and win the crown of everlasting joy;
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.

Post Communion Prayer

We praise and thank you, O Christ, for
this sacred feast:
for here we receive you,
here the memory of your passion is
renewed,
here our minds are filled with grace,
and here a pledge of future glory is
given,
when we shall feast at that table where
you reign
with all your saints for ever.

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.



Our churches are funded entirely from donations. Any collections
taken are to keep our buildings open and serving our communities.
There is absolutely no obligation to donate, but anything you felt
able to contribute would be gratefully received. Some churches
also have card machines or QR codes by the exit if you prefer to
give by card.

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



Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 5.1-7

I will sing for the one I love
a song about his vineyard:
my loved one had a vineyard
on a fertile hillside.
He dug it up and cleared it of stones
and planted it with the choicest vines.
He built a watchtower in it
and cut out a winepress as well.
Then he looked for a crop of good grapes,
but it yielded only bad fruit.
'Now you dwellers in Jerusalem and people of Judah,
judge between me and my vineyard.
What more could have been done for my vineyard
than I have done for it?
When I looked for good grapes,
why did it yield only bad?
Now I will tell you
what I am going to do to my vineyard:
I will take away its hedge,
and it will be destroyed;
I will break down its wall,
and it will be trampled.
I will make it a wasteland,
neither pruned nor cultivated,
and briers and thorns will grow there.
I will command the clouds
not to rain on it.'
The vineyard of the LORD Almighty
is the nation of Israel,
and the people of Judah
are the vines he delighted in.
And he looked for justice, but saw bloodshed;
for righteousness, but heard cries of distress.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21.33-46

'Listen to another parable: there was a landowner who planted a vineyard. He put a wall round it, dug a winepress in it and built a watchtower. Then he rented the vineyard to some farmers and moved to another place. When the harvest time approached, he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his fruit.

'The tenants seized his servants; they beat one, killed another, and stoned a third. Then he sent other servants to them, more than the first time, and the tenants treated them in the same way. Last of all, he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said.

'But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come, let's kill him and take his inheritance." So they took him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him.

'Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?'

'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end,' they replied, 'and he will rent the vineyard to other tenants, who will give him his share of the crop at harvest time.'

Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the Scriptures:

“The stone the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone;
the Lord has done this,
and it is marvellous in our eyes”?

'Therefore I tell you that the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit. Anyone who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; anyone on whom it falls will be crushed.'

When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard Jesus' parables, they knew he was talking about them. They looked for a way to arrest him, but they were afraid of the crowd because the people held that he was a prophet.



Hope Resilience and Action: Stories from South Sudan

Wednesday 14th October, 7pm
St. Francis Church, Salisbury – SN1 7PN

Hear directly from our partners as they share stories of changes from... communities in which they work. Join us to meet other from churches near you, and discover that hope and change is possible.

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