

COLLECT

Almighty Lord and everlasting God, we beseech you to direct, sanctify and govern both our hearts and bodies in the ways of your laws and the works of your commandments; that through your most mighty protection, both here and ever, we may be preserved in body and soul; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING

Genesis 15:1-6

A reading from the book of Genesis.

The word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, "Do not be afraid, Abram, I am your shield; your reward shall be very great." But Abram said, "O Lord GOD, what will you give me, for I continue childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?" And Abram said, "You have given me no offspring, and so a slave born in my house is to be my heir." But the word of the LORD came to him, "This man shall not be your heir; no one but your very own issue shall be your heir." The Lord brought Abraham outside and said, "Look toward heaven and count the stars, if you are able to count them." Then he said to him, "So shall your descendants be." And he believed the LORD; and the LORD reckoned it to him as righteousness.

PSALM Psalm 33:12-end
[or 33:12-21]

R *The earth is full of the loving-kindness of the Lord.*

Happy the nation whose God is the Lord and the people he has chosen for his own.

The Lord looks down from heaven and beholds all the children of earth. **R**

From where he sits enthroned he turns his gaze on all who dwell on the earth. He fashions all the hearts of them and understands all their works. **R**

No king is saved by the might of his host;

no warrior delivered by his great strength. A horse is a vain hope for deliverance; for all its strength it cannot save. **R**

Behold, the eye of the Lord is upon those who fear him, on those who wait in hope for his steadfast love, To deliver their soul from death and to feed them in time of famine. **R**

Our soul waits longingly for the Lord; he is our help and our shield. Indeed, our heart rejoices in him; in his holy name have we put our trust. Let your loving-kindness, O Lord, be upon us, as we have set our hope on you. **R**

SECOND READING

Hebrews 11:1-3. 8-16

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews.

Faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old – and Sarah herself was barren – because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people

who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

GOSPEL Luke 12:32-40

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

POST COMMUNION

Strengthen for service, Lord, the hands that have taken holy things; may the ears which have heard your word be deaf to clamour and dispute; may the tongues which have sung your praise be free from deceit; may the eyes which have seen the tokens of your love shine with the light of hope; and may the bodies which have been fed with your body be refreshed with the fullness of your life; glory to you for ever.



Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek
11th August 2019 ~ Eighth Sunday after Trinity

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A very warm welcome to church today

	Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pancrasweek	Pyworthy
Sunday 11th August Eighth Sunday after Trinity <i>Prayer intentions: For deeper wisdom, local businesses, all who live at Meadow View & Pearson Close, Holsworthy</i>	11.15 Morning Prayer		9.30 Sung Eucharist		11.15 Sung Eucharist
Monday 12th August <i>Prayer intentions: Trust in God</i>					
Tuesday 13th August <i>Prayer intentions: Children</i>					
Wednesday 14th August <i>Prayer intentions: Forgiveness</i>	4-5pm Creative Church				
Thursday 15th August <i>Prayer intentions: Magistrates</i>			3.15 Choir Practice		
Friday 16th August <i>Prayer intentions: Married couples</i>	10am Benefice FRIDAY COMMUNION and 1030am NO COST CAFÉ Holsworthy				
Saturday 17th August <i>Prayer intentions: Racial equality</i>					
Sunday 18th August Ninth Sunday after Trinity <i>Prayer intentions: Our prayer life, local police, fire brigade & ambulance service, all who live at New Inn Gardens, Holsworthy</i>	11.15 Sung Eucharist	9.30 Sung BCP Holy Communion	9.30 Sung Eucharist		9.30 Morning Prayer
Sunday 25th August Tenth Sunday after Trinity <i>Prayer intentions: That we may have compassion for others, Bodmerick & Deer Park, all who live at North Road, Well Park & Western Road, Holswort.</i>	11.15 Morning Worship		9.30 Sung Morning Prayer	9.30 Sung Eucharist	11.15 Sung Eucharist

Notices

St Peter's Jackpot Draw

Get your tickets **£8 for the remaining 8 months**. **Next draw 21st August**. All monies towards Holsworthy Church. Please support the church, tickets from PCC members

New Collection Bags – Holsworthy PCC has decided that we should have new collection bags instead of the wooden bowls.

These are £39 each. If anyone would like to donate one to the church please speak to Helen Narborough. This could be in loving memory of someone.

Friends Meeting – Tuesday 13th August 6pm at the Rectory

Holsworthy & Stratton Agricultural Show – Thursday 22nd August Mother Elizabeth will be blessing the show on its opening. Christians Together are hosting a refreshments tent.

Holsworthy Mission Community – Grass Roots Disciples – This is a 4-part learning opportunity, to help explore the different ways in which Jesus encouraged us to follow him. Will take place **on Wednesday afternoons and evenings** for four weeks, **25th Sept, 2nd, 9th & 16th October** at a venue in Holsworthy.

Benefice Administrator. At the Holsworthy PCC on 31st July a unanimous decision was taken to support the appointment of a Benefice Administrator. Having previously received the support of the other PCCs this can now go ahead. Please see advert below.

Vacancy
 Part time
 Holsworthy Benefice
 Administrator
 6hrs per week
 Initial 12 month contract

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