

COLLECT

Eternal Father,
 whose Son Jesus Christ ascended to
 the throne of heaven
 that he might rule over all things as
 Lord and King:
 keep the Church in the unity of the
 Spirit
 and in the bond of peace,
 and bring the whole created order to
 worship at his feet;
 who is alive and reigns with you,
 in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever.

FIRST READING

Jeremiah 23:1-6

A reading from the book of the prophet Jeremiah.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

PSALM Psalm 46

R *The Lord of hosts is with us;
 the God of Jacob is our stronghold.*

God is our refuge and strength,
 a very present help in trouble;

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
 and though the mountains tremble in the heart of the sea; **R**

Though the waters rage and swell,
 and though the mountains quake at the towering seas.
 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
 the holy place of the dwelling of the Most High. **R**

God is in the midst of her;
 therefore shall she not be removed;
 God shall help her at the break of day.
 The nations are in uproar and the kingdoms are shaken,
 but God utters his voice and the earth shall melt away. **R**

Come and behold the works of the Lord,
 what destruction he has wrought upon the earth.
 He makes wars to cease in all the world;
 he shatters the bow and snaps the spear
 and burns the chariots in the fire.
 "Be still, and know that I am God;
 I will be exalted among the nations;
 I will be exalted in the earth." **R**

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:11-20

A reading from the letter of Paul to the Colossians.

Brothers and sisters: May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers – all things have been created

through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

GOSPEL Luke 23:33-43

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

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Jesus replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

POST COMMUNION

Stir up, O Lord,
 the wills of your faithful people;
 that they, plenteously bringing forth
 the fruit of good works,
 may by you be plenteously rewarded;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Holsworthy Benefice

Bridgerule, Hollacombe, Holsworthy and Pyworthy with Pancrasweek

24th November 2019 ~ Christ the King

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A very warm welcome to church today

	Bridgerule	Hollacombe	Holsworthy	Pancrasweek	Pyworthy
Sunday 24th Nov Christ the King	11.15 Morning Worship		9.30 Sung Morning Prayer	9.30 Sung Eucharist	11.15 Sung Eucharist
<i>Prayer intentions: For all who know Christ the King, Devon County Council, all who live at St Peters & Wesley Road, St Paul & Penhale Drive, Rydon</i>					
Monday 25th Nov					
<i>Prayer intentions: The widowed</i>					
Tuesday 26th Nov					
<i>Prayer intentions: Those affected by war</i>					
Wednesday 27th Nov	4-5pm Creative Church				
<i>Prayer intentions: Prisoners of conscience</i>					
Thursday 28th Nov			3.15 Choir Practice		
<i>Prayer intentions: Refugees</i>					
Friday 29th Nov	10am Benefice FRIDAY COMMUNION and 1030am NO COST CAFÉ Holsworthy				
<i>Prayer intentions: For the common good</i>					
Saturday 30th Nov					
<i>Prayer intentions: A right-keeping of Advent</i>					
Sunday 1st Dec First Sunday of Advent	11.15 Sung Eucharist	3pm Sung BCP Evensong	9.30 Sung Eucharist 6pm Advent Procession		4pm Christingle
<i>Prayer intentions: That we are ready for the coming of Christ, local carers & support services, all who live at The Green & Under Road, Bridgerule</i>					
Sunday 8th Dec Second Sunday of Advent	11.15 Morning Prayer		9.30 Sung Eucharist		9.30 Morning Prayer
<i>Prayer intentions: That we may hear the prophets of today, local Charities, all who live at the Vineyards, Trewyn Park & Road, Holsworthy</i>					

Notices

Christmas Hamper Appeal in Holsworthy Church – Donations gratefully received for items for the two hampers that we will be selling tickets to raise money for Holsworthy Church funds. Wine, biscuits, chocolates, preserves etc.

Christmas bookmarks are now available. Please collect and distribute far and wide.

Holsworthy Bingo – Thank you Friends of Holsworthy Church for organising this, to all who donated prizes and to all who came. Just over £700 was raised. A fantastic amount, thank you everyone

Holsworthy PCC 7pm 28th November - in the Rectory

St Peter's Jackpot Draw

Winners of November draw 1st Prize £26.25 - Ticket No.78 Katie from Underlane
2nd Prize £5.25 - Ticket No.77 D from Dobles Close

Get your tickets **£4 for the remaining 4 months. Next draw 20th December.** All monies towards Holsworthy Church. Please support the church, tickets from PCC members

Holsworthy Church Volunteers. We hope you enjoy having refreshments after the service. Are you able to help with this? We need more people to help clean the church. The church is dusted and vacuumed each week and the more people on the rota the less frequently your turn will come around. This tends to be done in pairs. If you can help with either please speak to **Sue Bumby**.

Holsworthy Church – Meeting on Saturday 7th December from 1.30 – 3.30pm at The Rectory to discuss the way forward for our Church (Mission Action Plan and Growing the Rural Church). All welcome and encouraged to come.

Christmas Child Operation – On behalf of Operation Christmas Child a very big thank you to everyone who helped in any way with the Shoe Box Appeal. Your boxes are part of our consignment of over 300 collected at Central Methodist Church. We pray that these gifts will be a first step in learning about Jesus and His Love for them. Thank you again Irene Stanbury.