



## **Benefice of the Piddle Valley, Hilton & Ansty, Melcombe Horsey and Cheselbourne**

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2020**

**St Luke the Evangelist (Altar colour red)**

**Readings:** Isaiah 35: 3-6, Psalm 147: 1-7, 2 Tim 4: 5-17, Luke 10: 1-9

**Collect:** Almighty God, you called Luke the physician, whose praise is in the gospel, to be an evangelist and physician of the soul: by the grace of the Spirit and through the wholesome medicine of the gospel, give your Church the same love and power to heal; 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. Amen

### **Isaiah 35:3-6 (ESV)**

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who have an anxious heart, "Be strong; fear not! Behold, your God will come with vengeance, with the recompense of God. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then shall the lame man leap like a deer, and the tongue of the mute sing for joy. For waters break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert;

### **Luke 10:1-9 (ESV) - *Jesus Sends Out the Seventy-Two***

After this the Lord appointed seventy-two others and sent them on ahead of him, two by two, into every town and place where he himself was about to go. And he said to them, "The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest. Go your way; behold, I am sending you out as lambs in the midst of wolves. Carry no moneybag, no knapsack, no sandals, and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, 'Peace be to this house!' And if a son of peace is there, your peace will rest upon him. But if not, it will return to you. And remain in the same house, eating and drinking what they provide, for the labourer deserves his wages. Do not go from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and they receive you, eat what is set before you. Heal the sick in it and say to them, 'The kingdom of God has come near to you.'

**COMMENT:** Note that this is a second "missionary journey" on which Jesus sends some of his followers. In Like 9:1-6, he sent out "the twelve;" here it is "seventy others," implying that "the twelve" stayed with him this time at some central base. If this occurred during the final journey (cf. 9:51), it was an interruption in the progression towards Jerusalem. There is a clear distinction between the apostolic character of "the twelve" and the role of "the seventy" as agents or messengers. The difference lies in the "power and authority" given to "the twelve" (9:1) and the message given to "the seventy." The theme of the message is "the harvest". The aim of this passage is to encourage the Christian mission everywhere to continue unabated. This still remains the dominical mandate for evangelism.

**Short Preface:** And now we give you thanks that your glory is revealed in St Luke and all the saints. In their lives you have given us an example of faithfulness to Christ. In their holiness we find encouragement and hope. In our communion with them we share the unity of your kingdom.

**Post Communion:** Lord God, the source of truth and love, keep us faithful to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, united in prayer and the breaking of bread, and one in joy and simplicity of heart, in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Blessing:** God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

*If you are required to self-isolate,  
i.e. awaiting test result or advised to isolate via the NHS Covid-19 app;  
and cannot obtain supplies, please do contact Fr. Roger and we shall try to assist.  
Tel. 01300 348211*

**Tea and a chat always available just ring the Rector and put a date in the diary. Happy to chat over the garden gate too!**

**Fr. Roger 01300 348211**



## **Benefice Prayer list.**

- Please pray for those who are suffering, through illness &/or hospital treatment, for the grieving, lonely, anxious and concerned for the weeks ahead.
- *Please pray for those who have not yet returned to church, we miss their presence within our church community.*
- *Please pray for our benefice families and school staff who looking forward to the half term break. We pray that the staff and Cheselbourne and Piddle Valley Schools are able to enjoy some rest.*
- Please pray for those who have asked for our intercession: *Ann Lambert, Geoff Harris, Robin Dibble, June Kellaway, Robin Saunders, Anita, the Davies Family, Bernard & David.*
- For those in care homes including: *Roger Gray (Dorchester) and June Smith (Warminster).*



**Requiescat in pace**

Colin Davies, Piddletrenthide



*Any additions or amendments to the prayer list, please email the Rector.*

## Benefice Notices

**Foodbank:** Please remember your foodbank donations when you come to church. I have received donations from Piddletrenthide this week **thank you**. Collection boxes are in church; alternatively, donations can be left at The Vicarage - Piddletrenthide.



**Returning to worship:** As a benefice we are able to provide a 'Covid Safe Space' for worship and to receive communion.

- Please do travel to attend a service in one of the 6 benefice churches and follow the safety protocols set out in each church, **'Venue Check in' with the QR Code or sign in sheet provided.**
- The pre-covid rota is not manageable at this time. There are 2 communion and 1 evening prayer service available each Sunday.
- If you wish to read the lesson during a service, this is permit-able from your pew. Please volunteer before the service starts.
- The only singing will be by a cantor/s or a dedicated choir.
- Music choices are restricted to pieces that are 'free to use in the public domain' and free from copyright.

### **Live Streaming:**

Sunday Services will continue to be live streamed and the 9.30am service will be uploaded to YouTube. All communion services follow the "Ordinary Time Pandemic Order of Service" available on the benefice website.

Sunday 9.30am Communion Service is uploaded to YouTube:

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0ru\\_v3\\_1MZyzyx72ka63g4A](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC0ru_v3_1MZyzyx72ka63g4A)

Facebook to access livestream:

[https://www.facebook.com/piddlevally/?eid=ARAxjQNj5mPHQUQD2hKEx\\_uzUyyf17basudX3D22bYJx4HsCh7ByYB8lItrMbHhsARvgwbTqvapn-Glq](https://www.facebook.com/piddlevally/?eid=ARAxjQNj5mPHQUQD2hKEx_uzUyyf17basudX3D22bYJx4HsCh7ByYB8lItrMbHhsARvgwbTqvapn-Glq)

### **Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2020 Services Trinity 19 (Proper 25)**

#### **Readings:**

*Altar Colour - Green*

9.30am Communion at Cheselbourne with Fr. Roger

11.00am Communion at Alton with Fr. Roger

6.00pm Evening Prayer (With choir) at Hilton with Fr. Roger

*All services streamed live to Facebook. 9.30am Service will be uploaded to YouTube.*

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