

From Source to Sea

with the churches of the Bride Valley and Chesil

Weekly News: 11th October 2026 – Trinity 19



Welcome!

We extend a warm welcome to all those worshipping with us today and during the week.

SERVICES TODAY

9.30 am	Litton Cheney	Holy Communion
	Shipton Gorge	Breakfast Church
	Puncknowle	Holy Communion
11.00 am	Langton Herring	Harvest Festival
	Burton Bradstock	Holy Communion
	Portesham	Harvest Festival
3.00 pm	Abbotsbury	Harvest Festival
5.30 pm	Shipton Gorge	Harvest Festival

Our ministry team:

Revd Andrew Rawding (Rector)
Revd. Ryder Rogers
LWL Vicky Thomas
LWL Paul Cheater
LWL Diana Ludlow

18th October: Luke the Apostle

9.30 am	Burton Bradstock	Café Church
	Litton Cheney	Morning Worship
	Long Bredy	Morning Worship
	Langton Herring	Holy Communion
10.00 am	Abbotsbury	Holy Communion
11.00 am	Portesham	Holy Communion
1.00 pm	Puncknowle	Pilgrimage of Peace
4.00 pm	Chilcombe	Harvest Festival
6.00 pm	Swyre	Evening Prayer

Psalm: 147: 1-7
NT: 2 Timothy 4: 5-17

OT: Isaiah 35: 3-6
Gospel: Luke 10: 1-9

For our prayers:

We have much to celebrate this week, including:

- The completion of the soft play area in the church at Burton Bradstock and the associated television news publicity

We are most grateful for:

- Our bell ringers who practise each week and call our communities to worship
- Our ministry team and those visiting clergy/LLMs supporting our Benefice

Specially in our prayers this week:

- Our Benefice as we pray about the advertisement and appointment of a new house for duty priest, *now advertised on the Diocesan website*
- Those anxious or fearful living in situations of natural or man-made disasters or war
- Local businesses coping with uncertain times
- All those coping with illness and a new diagnosis
- Shipton Gorge and all who live and work there
- Recently bereaved families and friends

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COLLECTS: TRINITY 19 *(for use in services/in private prayer)*

O God, forasmuch as without you we are not able to please you; mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; 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

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Post Communion Prayer

Holy and blessed God, you have fed us with the body and blood of your Son and filled us with your Holy Spirit: may we honour you, not only with our lips but in lives dedicated to the service of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Old Testament Reading: Exodus 32: 1-14

The Golden Calf

When the people saw that Moses delayed to come down from the mountain, the people gathered around Aaron and said to him, 'Come, make gods for us, who shall go before us; as for this Moses, the man who brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we do not know what has become of him.' ² Aaron said to them, 'Take off the gold rings that are on the ears of your wives, your sons, and your daughters, and bring them to me.' ³ So all the people took off the gold rings from their ears, and brought them to Aaron. ⁴ He took the gold from them, formed it in a mould, and cast an image of a calf; and they said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!' ⁵ When Aaron saw this, he built an altar before it; and Aaron made proclamation and said, 'Tomorrow shall be a festival to the Lord.' ⁶ They rose early the next day, and offered burnt-offerings and brought sacrifices of well-being; and the people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to revel.

⁷ The Lord said to Moses, 'Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; ⁸ they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshipped it and sacrificed to it, and said, "These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!"' ⁹ The Lord said to Moses, 'I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are.

¹⁰ Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation.'

¹¹ But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, 'O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? ¹² Why should the Egyptians say, "It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth"? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. ¹³ Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, "I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it for ever.'" ¹⁴ And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

New Testament Reading: Philippians 4: 1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

² I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. ³ Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

⁴ Rejoice in the Lord always; again, I will say, Rejoice. ⁵ Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. ⁶ Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and

supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. ⁸ Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. ⁹ Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 22: 1-14

The Parable of the Wedding Banquet

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ² 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. ³ He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. ⁴ Again he sent other slaves, saying, "Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet." ⁵ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, ⁶ while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. ⁷ The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. ⁸ Then he said to his slaves, "The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. ⁹ Go therefore into the main streets and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet." ¹⁰ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

¹¹ 'But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, ¹² and he said to him, "Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?" And he was speechless. ¹³ Then the king said to the attendants, "Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth." ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.'

HARVEST FESTIVAL AT LANGTON HERRING

The service will include the community choir and will be followed by a ticketed meal in celebration. Donations are for the Weymouth Food Bank

HARVEST LUNCH AT BURTON BRADSTOCK

All are welcome to a Harvest Lunch in the Village Hall at 12.30 pm on **Saturday 17th October**. Tickets are free and may be obtained from Ian Ibbotson (☎898484) or Rector Andrew (in person, by phone or email).

LIFE GROUP DAY OF PRAYER

The Life Group invites everyone to celebrate **October 17th** as a special day of extra prayer. at home or in a church or, if you prefer, in a group setting. All are welcome to quietly come and go as they wish from 10.00 to 11.00 a.m. at 25, Bindbarrow and/or from 3.00 to 4.00 p.m. at Manafossen Barn, Shadrach. No refreshments, no collection, no chat, just prayer!! Look out for further details in the October BVN on page 27 (www.bvn.org.uk)

ST LUKE'S DAY PILGRIMAGE OF PEACE: Sunday 18th October 1.00pm

Starting at Puncknowle Church, this PoP will include a visit to the Chapel in the Woods, dedicated to St Luke. More details in October's BVN on page 12 (www.bvn.org.uk)

ALPHA COURSE AT LATCH

The course starts on **Thursday 22nd October**. Alpha is intended to be an open space to meet new people and unpack life's big questions. Each week will start with an opportunity to chat over a simple meal, then there will be a film to watch. After that, you can take part in discussion or just see what others have to say. There's no pressure and no follow up, so why not try it for a week? Get in touch with bvchurchesta@outlook.com to register your interest.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR HOUSE FOR DUTY PRIEST AT PORTESHAM

Please let anyone know that might be interested and pray that God will work to provide someone for the task. <https://salisbury.anglican.org/job-vacancies/clergy-vacancies/>

REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS

Tuesday	10.15 am	Life Group at Manafossen Barn, Burton Bradstock
	6.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Litton Cheney ☎482312*)
Wednesday	4.30 pm	Bell ringing practice (Long Bredy ☎482270*)
	7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice (Shipton Gorge ☎07581050910*)
Thursday	6.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Abbotsbury ☎07791256443*)
	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Burton Bradstock ☎898603*)
Friday	2.00 pm	Tots' Time: Burton Bradstock (<i>term time</i>)
	3.00 pm	Bible Study Group at Portesham Methodist Hall

* Please phone to check if practice is taking place

ADDITIONAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Mon	12 th	10.00 am	Ministry Team at Othona
		7.00 pm	Benefice Council at Puncknowle Village Hall
Thurs	15 th	10.30 am	Coffee Morning with the school in Portesham Church
Sat	17 th		Day of Prayer with the Life Group at Burton Bradstock
		12.30 pm	Harvest Lunch in Burton Bradstock Village Hall

THANK YOU FOR GENEROUS GIVING

Thank you to everyone who supports the work of our churches by their financial giving, through the various ways that are now possible. We also recognise the time and talent we are fortunate to share. *"Yours Lord is the greatness, the glory, the splendour and the majesty. Everything in heaven and on earth comes from you and of your own do we give you."* (1 Chronicles 29:14)

DATES FOR THE DIARY

18 th	Portesham Harvest Festival: 11.00 am (Gifts for the food bank)
18 th	Pilgrimage of Peace for St Luke's Day: 1.00 pm from Puncknowle Church
20 th	PSWB+ Lunch Club: 1.00 pm at Puncknowle Village Hall
22 nd	Alpha Course begins at LATCH: 7.00 pm
23 rd	Come Along Inn: 5.30 pm in Long Bredy Village Hall
24 th	Burial of Ashes: Mary Toms 1.00 pm at Burton Bradstock
25 th	Harvest Festival at Corton: 3.00 pm
29 th	Alpha Course: 7.00 pm at LATCH
29 th	NO midweek communion at Portesham

NOVEMBER

1st Benefice Shared Lunch: 12.30 pm in Burton Bradstock Village Hall
Please check the **Bride Valley News** for further information and events.

Please take this leaflet and use it for reference and prayer. Each week's copy is at:

<http://www.burtonbradstockvillage.org> and <https://bvn.org.uk>

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