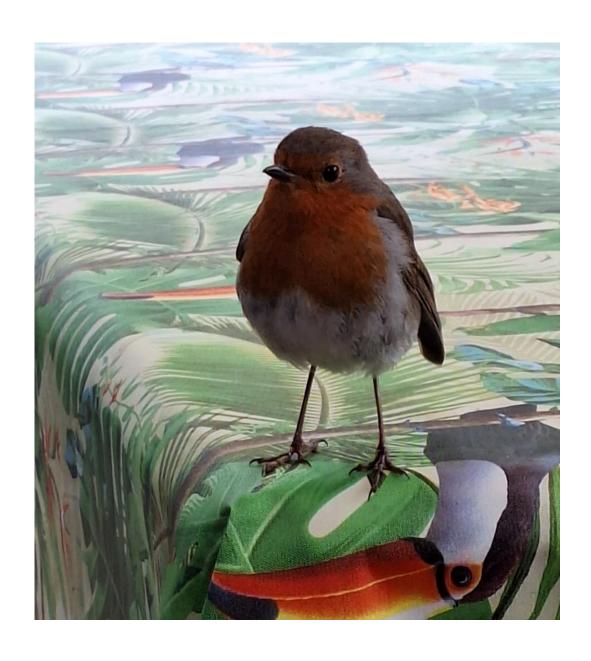
# Crediton Rural Ministry Hub Post

Churches joyfully working together with a generous spirit reaching out to the churches, communities, villages and hamlets around Crediton

**July 2024** 



The Diocese of Exeter Pray - Grow – Serve



# Welcome to the 17<sup>th</sup> edition of the Hub Post

In June we have been celebrating our Home Groups in the North Creedy East Mission Community. Those who have joined in with our new home groups, have enjoyed digging deeper into their faith and getting to know each other better. Home Groups are central to our discipleship journey. Please consider seriously, signing up (sign up form in the Hub Post) to join in with this lifegiving ministry.

As we have started journeying into Mark's Gospel in our Sunday services, we are challenged to join Jesus in His ministry, which didn't end with his ascension after the resurrection. We are called to continue the mission of the church, as Jesus commanded his disciples in the 'Great Commission', to "make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit." That mission has not changed in more than two thousand years. We are still called to make new disciples. In order to do that, we need to be sure of our own faith and what God means to us, knowing how much he loves us and what his death and resurrection has done for us. In one sense, Jesus invites us to step into the boat to cross over the lake and meet with those we may not usually meet, and to love them. In another sense, Jesus invites us to step out of the boat, just as Peter did. When Peter saw Jesus walking on water, he stepped out of the boat and walked on the water too, until he took his eyes off Jesus. Then he started sinking and Jesus rescued him. We cannot walk on water unless we step out of the boat and as long as we keep our eyes on Jesus, he will keep us from drowning.

Being a follower of Jesus can be scary, as you never quite know what he has for you next, but it is also exhilarating and exciting and a great joy. To follow Jesus where he leads often requires great courage, but if we do, the reward is that the God who created all of creation, takes us by the hand and takes us on the most incredible journey, where we not only experience his extraordinary love for us, but we get to bring his love and grace and joy to those who are in desperate need of it. We live in a world where hate and intolerance are on the increase. Let us learn to be countercultural to that, by bringing love, peace and joy to a hurting world, through the love of the living God, Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ Janet May Team Vicar

# Saturday 7 July Puddington Village Fete and Fun Dog Show on Parsonage Field at 2.15pm.

Come and join us for a fun filled afternoon, Cream Teas, Tombola, Books, Bouncy Castle, Bric-a-Brac and much more. Proceeds to be shared between the Church and the Village Hall.

Deadline for articles for the August edition – **22**<sup>nd</sup> **July** 

# **Coffee Mornings**

<u>Cheriton Fitzpaine</u> – Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July – 10am – 12pm

Kennerleigh – 27<sup>th</sup> July – 10.30am – 12pm

# Are you planning an event in your Parish?

Email <u>janetmay69@gmail.com</u> to let us know and we'll add it into the **What's On** List.

Please send posters in either word or jpeg format.



# St Swithun's Sandford Join us every Wednesday at 10.30am for Coffee, Cake and Company all welcome

'But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and forever! Amen.' 2 Peter 3:18

### Join a home group. You won't regret it.

Home groups provide a smaller setting for us to grow closer to each other, closer to our church community and closer to God. This happens because by being in small groups, we form deep communities to explore our faith in a way that is not possible in a Sunday service.

Practically, this means a group of people interested in Christianity gather regularly in someone's home, or in the church or a village hall to share stories and grow in faith together. The meeting revolves around food, praying together, studying the Bible, exploring an aspect of the Christian faith, catching up on one another's news, and studying a book together.

In many ways it doesn't matter what the topic of the meeting is, though. What matters is the support that we give and receive. This is the key to growing in grace, knowledge, the love of God and the love of each other. Right now, we are not asking for a commitment, we are just looking for possible interest.

If you might be interested in participating in the groups forming in the autumn, please complete the form and email it over to Janet or me.

Join a home group. You won't regret it.

Yes, I would li	ke to be a par	t of the Home		<b>Group Sign</b> y in the North	-	Sandford Mis	ssion Community
About me:							
Name:							
Address:							
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Home Parish (	Church:						
In the Autumr	n 2024, I will b	e available on	the following o	days/times:			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Day							
Evening							

YES

NO

YES

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If you have any questions, please contact Laura Armstrong at Lnnarmstrong@gmail.com.

I would be interested in training to become a Home Group Leader.

I would be interested in hosting a Home Group in my house.

# St. Swithun's Church, Sandford

# CHURCH LITE



For everyone who wants to enjoy God together, through prayer and song.

The first Sunday of the month at 3.30pm Starting with cake and ending in prayer





No Church Lite until
October

For more information contact Revd Janet May 01363 779363



# St Matthew's MESSY CHURCH

faith friendship fun food

Wednesday
10th July
4pm - 5.30pm
Summer fun!

For more information:
Contact Alice 07484 704777

# ST MATTHEW'S CHURCH CHERITON FITZPAINE



# PLANTS, PRESERVES, CAKES, PRE-LOVED TOYS & BOOKS, BRIC A BRAC

Space to sell your own items for a small donation to St Matthew's Ring Alice 07484 704777 or Hazel 07906 532096

We continue to pray for the situation in the Holy Land.

# A Prayer for the Holy Land from Archbishop Hosam Naoum of Jerusalem:

O God of all justice and peace, we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land.

Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we pray for people of all faiths – Jews, Muslims and Christians and for all people of the land.

While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the establishment of peace, we also call for you to bring justice and equity to the peoples. Guide us into your kingdom where all people are treated with dignity and honour as your children – for to all of us, you are our Heavenly Father.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

# We also continue to pray for peace in Ukraine and other places where there is war.

Almighty God, from whom all thoughts of truth and peace proceed: kindle, we pray, in the hearts of all, the true love of peace and guide with your pure and peaceable wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth that in tranquillity your kingdom may go forward, till the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; 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



The Foundations Course is designed to help people in Devon grow in their discipleship, and flourish as part of the Church. It includes an introduction to the Bible, theology, spirituality and mission, delivered in an accessible way.

Teaching is a mixture of in-person group sessions and online learning. The course will run in the following locations:

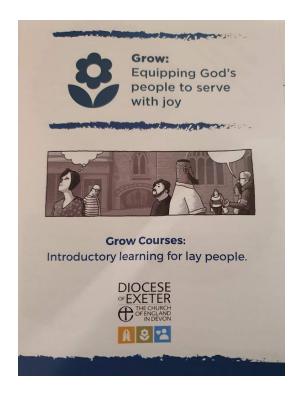
Plymouth: Oct '24 - Mar '25 North Devon: Jan - May '25

Exeter: Jan - May '25

To register, or for more info: exeter.anglican.org/foundations







**GROW COURSES** offer introductory learning opportunities for a wide range of roles over Zoom.

Primarily for lay people, these courses can be accessed by anyone and may be used as part of their discernment process or as learning for a current or future role.

This project aims to help our church members to grow in prayer, make new disciples and serve the people of Devon with joy through practical and specific learning.

Courses are certificated and can be undertaken without prior learning. Some participants join before or after undertaking Foundations in Christian Ministry, but these courses stand alone. Public recognition of this learning is really valuable, so we'd encourage all churches to acknowledge those who complete Grow courses. These courses can also be arranged as in-person training, if we have enough people to run a course in the Deanery.

Current courses include Digital Ministry, Prayer, Sharing our Faith, Children, Youth & Schools, Leading from the Front, Carbon Literacy, Creation Care, Pastoral Care, Social Action, Administration, Preaching, Small Group Leadership and more. These are always being added to and suggestions of new subjects are welcome.

Jon Curtis is Lay Leadership Project Manager for the Diocese of Exeter and can be contacted via email at <a href="mailto:jon.curtis@exeter.anglican.org">jon.curtis@exeter.anglican.org</a>

If you are interested in doing one of these courses, please speak to Janet May or Laura Armstrong.

To advertise in the Hub Post, please contact Revd Janet May at <u>janetmay69@gmail.com</u>

# Church Services Across the Hub

July 2024	7 <sup>th</sup> July Trinity 6	14 <sup>th</sup> July Trinity 7	21st July Trinity 8	28 <sup>th</sup> July Trinity 9
Cheriton Fitzpaine	11.15am HC	11.15am All Age	11.15am HC	No Service
Kennerleigh	6.30pm Evensong	10.30am Contemp	11.15am HC	55.1165
Beacon New Buildings	8.30am HC			
Poughill			9.30am HC	
Puddington	9.30am MW	11.15am HC		9.30am MW
Sandford	9.30am HC 11.15am St. Basil's	9.30 HC	9.30am All Age	9.30am HC
Stockleigh English				
Stockleigh Pomeroy				11.15am HC
Upton Hellions				
Washford Pyne		11.15am HC		11.15am Matins
Woolfardisworthy (Woolsery)				
Crediton	8am BCP HC 9.30am All Age 6pm Choral Evensong	8am BCP HC 9.30am HC 11.30am Baptism ST LAWRENCE 6pm ES	8am BCP HC 9.30am HC 6pm Sacred Space	8am BCP HC 9.30am HC 11.30am Baptism 6pm Compline
Posbury	11am BCP HC		11am BCP HC	
Yeoford		9.30am HC		5pm Songs of Praise

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	<b>Trinity 6</b>	Trinity 7	<b>Trinity 8</b>	Trinity 9
Shobrooke		11am		11am
		FS		HC
Bow	10.30am MP		10.30am HC	
Clannaborough				11am BCP HC
Coldridge		10.30am MP	10.30am HC	
Colebrooke	11am HC	5.30pm FS	9.30am MP	9.30am MP
Down St Mary	4pm ES	9am HC	10am MP	10am MP
Knowle	10am HC		10am MP	
Lapford	9.30am MP 4pm Revel Service	9.30am MP	9.30am MP	9.30am HC
Morchard Bishop	10.30am MP	10.30am HC	10.30am MP	10.30am MP
Nymet Rowland			9am BCP HC	
Zeal	10am	6.30pm		6.30pm
Monachorum	FS	HC		ES

**Key to abbreviations on the service rota** – **HC**= Holy Communion (Common Worship), **BCP HC**=Book of Common Prayer 1662 Communion, **MP**=Morning Prayer, **ES**=Evensong, **MW**=Morning Worship, **FS**=Family Service, **MC**=Mission Community

## **News from around the Team**

### **Beacon**

The community garden at Beacon Church Newbuildings is progressing well. There are now two benches installed. You may have seen them at the D-Day event in June. Anyone is welcome to use them, at any time. The views are fantastic. The planting is taking a little longer.... Preparation is everything (they say) and in preparing the beds we have found rocks and pernicious weeds. Undeterred, pickaxes have been wielded, soil has been sifted through and roots removed. Not all is rocks and roots though. We have managed to plant several roses in more yielding soil and the shady garden has been planted with ferns, hostas, epimediums, and a spreading plant appropriately named Lamium 'Beacon Silver'.

We have been exhilarated in creating this garden by the generosity and support of local people and organisations. Everything has been funded by donation. Donations of money, plants and time have all been made generously. The group working on the garden certainly enjoy the company and the fresh air.

If you would like to become involved, perhaps purchasing a plant, making a donation or helping with gardening, do let me know. All help would be most welcome. I look forward to hearing from you!

Christine (christine.mcsweeney@gmail.com)

### **Coldridge**

Sunday, 30th June: Coldridge Fete Thanksgiving Service at 4.00pm. An informal act of inclusive worship, for all to attend, to give thanks to God for the success and the spirit of the Fete, Vintage Rally, Flower Festival and Dog Show.

Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> July: 2.30 - 4.30pm - Church Cafe. Everybody is welcome for a cuppa, some cake and a jolly good chat.

Our PCC at St Matthew's is delighted to announce a very bold decision to restore our church bells and at the same time, enhance the ringing experience by installing an intermediate ringing floor, the whole scheme extending the life of our bells and to make them more tuneful, easier to ring and safe to allow new ringers to learn the craft. We hope that this scheme will also allow us to install a disabled WC in the lower tower. This will call for a very substantial investment, so we are exploring all avenues of possible funding and appeals. Watch this space for further news of the project.

Otherwise, we continue with our Church Tours each month, looking at the evidence and theories about Edward V and John Evans. This has now led us on to carrying out a survey of the medieval wood in the church, of which there are some remarkable examples.

All in all, these are very exciting times for us here in Coldridge. I think that our motto should be "Never a dull moment"!

John W Smith

### **Puddington**

We held a bingo evening in the village hall on Saturday 22 June. It wasn't as well attended as we'd hoped. Unfortunately, there were quite a few other events happening at the same time. Everyone who came enjoyed the evening and we raised £133.00 for church funds. Many thanks to David and Joan Lakeland who did all the organising, especially David who did the calling for the first time!

Saturday 7 July is the Village Fete and Fun Dog Show on Parsonage Field at 2.15pm. Come and join us for a fun filled afternoon, Cream Teas, Tombola, Books, Bouncy Castle, Bric-a-Brac and much more. Proceeds to be shared between the Church and the Village Hall.

Looking forward to August - Puddington Flower Festival to be held in our Church on Friday 9th August 10am - 5pm; Saturday 10th August 10am - 5pm: Sunday 11th August 1pm - 5pm. The theme is Hobbies and Crafts in Puddington. Coffee/Tea and Biscuits from 10am onwards. Cream Tea 2pm - 5pm. Donations only - all proceeds for St Thomas à Becket Church.

Joy Price



TA fairly level 1 acre garden with lawns and herbaceous borders, a pond, an orchard, polytunnel, vegetables and summer fruits. A gravel garden is under development.

Dogs: Yes, on leads

Toilets: Yes (no wheelchair

access)

Refreshments: Afternoon tea, coffee and homemade cakes

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Efford House,

Efford,

Shobrooke,

Crediton, EX17 1BJ

**MOBILITY** 

WHERE:

ACCESS: Yes – mostly good

**ENTRY:** By donation

Parking: In a field by the house, a longer optional walk through field to 1 acre wetland with wildlife pond

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# **SAFEGUARDING**

The North Creedy East with Sandford Mission Community is committed to the safeguarding of children, young people and adults. We follow the House of Bishops guidance and policies and have our own Parish Safeguarding Officer(s), PSOs.

If you have a concern about the safety of someone or the actions of someone working with children or vulnerable adults, please speak to someone.

Mission Community Safeguarding Officer – Mrs Linda Tonkin - 01363 866857

or The Diocesan Safeguarding Team

- https://exeter.anglican.org/resources/safeguarding/safeguarding-team/

If you are a young person and you feel unhappy about something happening to you, you can call Childline on 0800 1111

Other useful phone numbers are:

NSPCC 0808 800 5000 Devon Rape Crisis 01392 204174