Crediton Rural Ministry Hub Post

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

November 2024

Photo taken by Chris Tucker - Newfield Hall near Malham



The Diocese of Exeter Pray - Grow – Serve



Welcome to the 21st edition of the Hub Post

Moving into a new home in Sandford, and starting to get to know our new community has been far less stressful than the prospect had initially felt. Ruth and I have felt a very warm welcome. Thank you.

Over recent weeks we've had the joy of celebrating Harvest. Our first Autumn in Sandford has started with what might be described as an agricultural pilgrimage around the Mission Community, witnessing (and tasting) the generosity of our villages as they have given thanks for the harvest. Puddington, New Buildings, and Sandford, matched by the joys of a joint service at Colebrooke for North Creedy West have been coupled by the gathering in of apples from the orchards around us. October has been filled with harvest thankfulness, and a few glasses of apple juice too.

November is a thankful month too. All Saints, All Souls, and Remembrance Sunday, and then Christ the King Sunday, punctuates a season in which we remember the faithful departed, whilst looking to that day when all the sacrifice and struggle offered in the name of Christ will be honoured (Rev 21:4 - 'He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.")

Churches (the buildings that is) are places that remember when others find it difficult to. Weathered granite in the churchyards, polished marble on the walls of churches, metal silhouettes of soldiers mark the armistice, poppies line the window sills, wreaths propped against monuments, and names of service men and woman displayed. Churches (the people that is) are communities that remember when we as individuals find it difficult to. We remember who has journeyed with us, and those we long to see again. The bit of our brains that is charged with remembering is the hippocampus, called so because its shaped like a seahorse. The first name given to the church was 'Koinonia', called so because its shaped like a 'communion' or 'fellowship' of the Holy Spirit. It is of course in our Communion Service we hear the words 'do this in remembrance of me'.

I pray that this November, as we remember our loved ones whom we love but see no longer, and honour the fallen, we keep in mind the loving words of Jesus himself when he broke bread with friends, and gave his life for all.

Revd Jeremy Putnam

Diocesan Mission Enabler, supporting churches across Devon in their missional life with training, resources, and grant funding.

Jeremy will be licensed as one of our Team Vicars and Team Missioner for the new Crediton Rural Ministry Hub

Jeremy's licensing

Revd Jeremy Putnam will be licensed on Monday the 25th of November at 7.30pm at Holy Cross in Crediton. The service will be followed by refreshments in the Boniface Centre. Please join us as we welcome Jeremy and Ruth into our team.

Advent Course in Lapford

Starting on Monday 25th November at 2pm in The Ark. The theme of the course will be the meaning of the Advent Candles.

Deadline for articles for the December edition – 25th November

Coffee Mornings

<u>Cheriton Fitzpaine</u> – 30th November – 10am-12pm

Are you planning an event in your Parish?

Email <u>northcreedy1@gmail.com</u> to let us know and we'll add it into the **What's On** List.

Please send posters in either Word, PDF, png 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 me.

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

Yes, I would li	ke to be a par	t of the Home		Group Sign y in the North		Sandford Mis	sion Community
About me:							
Name:							
Address:							
Phone:							
Email:							
Home Parish	Church:						
In the Autumn 2024, I will be available on the following days/times:							
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Day							
Evening							

I would be interested in training to become a Home Group Leader. YES NO

I would be interested in hosting a Home Group in my house. YES NO

If you have any questions, please contact Janet May on janetmay69@gmail.com

PRESENCE

27th November
7.30pm
Holy Cross Church
Crediton

Join us for an evening of worship, scripture and prayer



In partnership with Exeter Network Church



faith friendship fun food

Wednesday 13th November

4pm - 5.30pm

"Light"

No need to book. Just turn up on the day and join us.

For more information:
Contact Alice 07484 704777

St Matthew's Cheriton Fitzpaine

Sunday 3rd November 11.15amCommunion

Wed 13th November 4pm

Messy Church

Sunday 10th November – 10.45am Remembrance Service



Sunday 17th November - 11.15am

Communion

Sunday 24th November - 11.15am

No Service

Next service
Sunday 8th December 4pm
Christmas Carol Service
followed by refreshments



CHRISTMAS

COFFEE MORNING

Sat 30th November

St. Matthew's Church Cheriton Fitzpaine

10.00 -12.00

CAKES, PRESERVES, PUDDINGS, BOOKS, BRIC-A-BRAC, CARDS.



Ring Hazel on 866232 for details



SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER 10am to 2pm in the Boniface Centre, EX17 2AH





Usborne Books & Preloved Children's Toys; Books; Giftware; Cake Stall; Silent Auction

Wooden Items; Jigsaws & Games; The Dolls House

Doll's House Kit

Grand Tombola

Refreshments Served Throughout with Free Parking & Admission







COLEBROOKE AUTUMN CRAFT FAIR

Coffee/tea, Cakes, Soup and Pulled Pork Rolls SATURDAY 23rd November 2024. 10.30am to 4pm

Come and appreciate local talent and buy your Christmas gifts!!



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:

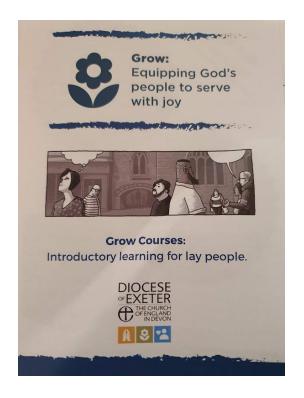
Plymouth: Oct '24 - Mar '25 North Devon: Jan - May '25

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 jon.curtis@exeter.anglican.org

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 on <u>janetmay69@gmail.com</u>

Church Services Across the Hub

November 2024	3 rd Nov All Saints Day	10 th Nov 3 rd before Advent	17 th Nov 2 nd before Advent	24 th Nov Last before Advent
Cheriton Fitzpaine	11.15am HC	10.45am Remembrance	11.15am HC	No Service
Kennerleigh	6.30pm Evensong	10.45 am At Woolsery	11.15am HC	
Beacon New Buildings	8.30am HC			
Poughill			9.30am HC	
Puddington				
Sandford	9.30am HC	10am Remembrance	9.30am All Age	9.30am HC
Stockleigh English				
Stockleigh Pomeroy				
Upton Hellions				
Washford Pyne		11.15am HC		11.15am Matins
Woolfardisworthy (Woolsery)		10.45am Remembering		
Crediton	8am BCP HC 9.30am All Age 6pm All Souls Service	8am BCP HC 10am Civic Service 6pm Choral Evensong	8am BCP HC 9.30am HC 6pm Sacred Space	8am BCP HC 9.30am HC 6pm Compline
Posbury	11am BCP HC		11am BCP HC	
Yeoford		9.30am HC	11.15am FS	
Shobrooke		10.45am Remembrance		11am HC
Bow	10.30am MP	10.45am Remembrance at Colebrooke	10.30am Baptism	

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Clannaborough				11am BCP HC
Coldridge		10.45am Remembrance	10.30am HC	
Colebrooke	11am Baptism	10.45am Remembrance	9.30am MP	9.30am MP
Down St Mary	4pm MCC Shoe Box Service	10.45am Remembrance at Colebrooke	10am MP	10am MP
Knowle	10am HC		10am MP	
Lapford	9.30am MP	9.30am HC 10.45am Remembrance	9.30am MP	9.30am HC
Morchard Bishop	10.30am MP	10.45am Remembrance	10.30am MP	10.30am MP
Nymet Rowland			9am BCP HC	
Zeal Monachorum	10am FS	10.45am Remembrance at Colebrooke 6.30pm HC		3pm 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

Colebrooke

A magnificent return of a flower festival at St. Andrew's after 6 years. It saw a resplendent kaleidoscope of colour and artistry of amazing displays created by a dedicated team of flower arrangers and all their supporters, also all those who helped to steward at the festival. Their efforts are greatly appreciated for the very high standard of work for which the Parochial Church Council is extremely grateful. The end result was accumulative of many days of planning, preparation and acquiring props and baking cakes before the opening on 27th September and to maintain the displays over the three days of the festival.

It was rewarding to have so many visitors from near and far to view the displays and to enjoy the food and music especially the beautiful recitals performed on the flute by Margaret Enderson and the peal on the hand bells from Lamerton ringers. This was a surprise, as they were unable to manage a team of ringers for the tower as a result of illness. The music filled the church with joy as visitors enjoyed their refreshments, especially the amazing choice of delicious cakes provided by so many willing helpers. Visitors were encouraged to have an opportunity at ringing the hand bells.

Sunday morning was the Harvest Eucharist at 10.am conducted by the Rev. Jeremy Putnam. Colebrooke was joined by worshipers from across the mission community and refreshments were enjoyed as the congregation appreciated the displays and had time to socialize. The gales and rain on Sunday did not deter the hardy souls on the final day. Sincere thanks to all the visitors from the PCC that supported this event. A special thanks to all the dedicated team who enabled this successful event to take place.

Val Pennington

Washford Pyne

The local community are greatly saddened by the loss of Mark Cleverdon in early October. Mark was well known in the surrounding area and took an active part in it, having been born and brought up at Higher Densham.

He rang the bells at St Peter's and was on the churchyard cutting rota. Mark will be much missed by all. Our thoughts and prayers are with Angela and all the family at this very sad time.

St Peter's was decorated in autumnal colours for it's Harvest Festival on Sunday 13th October with the bells ringing out to welcome people. Many thanks to all who attended and to Matthew Tregenza for ably conducting the service.

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Church Contacts

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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.

North Creedy East 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