



Church Bulletin

November 2018



Remembrance display of poppies at St Mary's Hennock (© Francis Swan)

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Who's Who at PPT

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Letter from the Vicar

Dear Friends,

One hundred years ago the guns on the Western Front fell silent, and the first World War came to an end. Great empires had collapsed, and more than 18 million people were killed.

From Britain 6 million men fought:

772,000 were killed

1.7 million were wounded and

170,000 were captured

65,000 suffered 'shell shock'.

If you examine the war memorial, you may be surprised to notice that the worst casualties were suffered in 1918, when the War on the Western Front finally broke through the trenches. It was a desperate struggle to the end.

Every year the church is full for the Remembrance Parade, and I expect it will be again this year: please be aware that there is no church heating at present, and dress warmly. At 7pm peals of bells will be rung across the country, and the bells of PPT and Hennock will ring out to mark the peace. There will also be a beacon lit at Bottor Rock farm. Nationally there were great celebrations at the return of peace, and most people then felt they had fought for a just cause and won a worthwhile victory. But if the Allies won the war, they lost the peace and the seeds of future conflict in Europe and beyond were sown.

In 1914 H G Wells wrote idealistically: "This is already the vastest war in history. It is a war not of nations, but of mankind. It is a war to exorcise a world-madness and end an age... For this is now a war for peace. It aims straight at disarmament. It aims at a settlement that shall stop this sort of thing for ever. Every soldier who fights against Germany now is a crusader against war. This, the greatest of all wars, is not just another war—it is the last war!"

Many hoped that it would be the war to end all wars. By the end it must have felt



the war to end the world. But Jesus said 2000 years earlier:

"You will hear of wars and rumours of wars, but see to it that you are not alarmed. Such things must happen, but the end is still to come. Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be famines and earthquakes in various places. All these are the beginning of birth pains."

Jesus warned us clearly that there will be wars, but this is not the end. There will be disasters - earthquakes and famines- but these are not the death-throes of life on earth, but rather the birth-pangs of the coming Kingdom. Although we live in a prosperous and peaceful society, most people have little faith in a higher power or hope for the future. We who believe that Jesus is the Christ, have good news to proclaim. Jesus was no starry-eyed idealist. He knew that wars would happen, and he knew that he would die, but he also believed that he would rise and return. We cannot fight any war so well that we can end war, but we can live by faith that Jesus will keep his promise to return and bring the permanent peace of his Kingdom. In that hope we too can love and serve our generation, just as we honour and remember those who served and suffered in a just cause in the past.

yours in Christ,
Graham

Heroes Holiday Bible Club

65 primary aged children gathered in the 'superhero decorated' scout hut during half term to experience Heroes Holiday Bible Club! The churches together event brought children from across Bovey and the surrounding areas to enjoy a fun filled programme packed with bible teaching, craft activities, games, snacks and lots of superhero poses! The children heard stories of heroes of the faith including Noah and Daniel and the best superhero of all: Jesus Christ!



We were blessed with a fantastic team of energetic volunteers from across the churches in Bovey who were passionate about working with children and seeing them enjoy finding out more about God. We are very thankful to everyone who was praying for us before and during the event and also to the Tracey Almshouse Trust for donating money to purchase team t-shirts for children and leaders!

One of the highlights of the holiday bible club was the 'Bible Surge' time where the leaders were able to support the children in digging a bit deeper into the bible stories. We were amazed at the end of the week at how much the children had learnt and remembered! There were team points for remembering the bible memory verses and for doing the best actions to the worship songs!



Rosie Stephens, Family Worker

Light Party 31 October 2018

“Sparkly, shining, twinkling light filled evening”

Not your normal description of Halloween but for 50 children and 30 adults this was their experience on Wednesday 31st October! The children and adults entered the PPT Light Party through a candlelit walkway into almost darkness. We sang worship songs with actions then the children heard a talk about God creating the world beginning with the light – and all the fairy lights and stars on the ceiling of the church rooms were turned on. There was an audible gasp of wonder around the room! Graham’s talk continued and all 80 people in the room heard how Jesus is the Light of the World – like a birthday cake candle that can never be extinguished!

The children then enjoyed a delicious meal of hot dogs and star shaped cucumber and veggies, followed by pudding.



Everyone took part in light themed crafts and activities including making stained glass windows with a cross at the centre and ‘scratch away the darkness’ bookmarks. One of the most successful activities was our prayer space where the children were encouraged to suck a sweetie and think about God’s goodness in their lives, hold a metallic candle and pray for their friends and write a sin on a pebble in chalk and then wash it away whilst praying.

The children each took home a goodie bag filled with glow in the dark toys, sweets, their craft creations and a little booklet about God. As they left PPT the children were delighted by a parting gift of edible ‘sparklers’ (chocolate and sprinkle covered breadsticks!).



What an incredible evening we had. The light of Jesus was certainly shining at PPT this Halloween.

Rosie Stephens

Family Worker

Bovey Calendar

Nov

4 Sun

How to survive the Apocalypse

am readings: 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10, Matthew 24.1-14

pm reading: Judges 2.6-3.7 *Generation-degeneration*

8.00am Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton
9.30am Sunday Praise with Communion: Vicar
11.00am Baptism service: Rev Graham Hamilton
5.00pm Word and Worship: Mr Terry Evans
7.00pm Youth Group at Southbrook Farm

6 Tue 6.30pm Fundraiser Quiz for BT Youth Cafe at Cafe 3Sixty

7 Wed 10am Holy Communion in the church room

5.30pm Wise Guys in the Church Room

8 Thur 7am Men's Prayer Breakfast in the Church Room

9.45am First Steps in the Church Room

9 Fri 9.10am Morning prayer

9.45am First Steps in the Church Room

7.15pm Remembrance Sunday rehearsal in church

11 Sun

Remembrance: Making peace that lasts

am readings: Isaiah 2.1-5

pm reading: Judges 4 *When the men won't lead-Deborah*

9.30pm Sunday Praise (all-age): Mr Mark Alexander

10.00am Remembrance Parade: Rev Graham Hamilton

5.00pm Word & Worship: Rev Graham Hamilton

7.00pm Armistice Centenary Bell Peal

12 Mon 9.10am Morning prayer

13 Tue 12.30pm Friendship Lunch at the Edgemoor hotel

14 Wed 10.00am Holy Communion in the church room

7.30pm **Monthly Prayer Meeting** in the Church

15 Thur 7.00am Men's Prayer Breakfast in the Church Room

9.45am First Steps in the Church Room

16 Fri 9.10am Morning Prayer

9.45am First Steps in the Church Room

7.30pm Codelife group in the Church Room

17 Sat 10am-3pm DEF Study Day at St Leonard's Exeter- see notice
6.30pm Tearfund Big Quiz night at Rora House, Liverton

18 Sun***Signs of the Times***

am Reading: Daniel 7.1-14, Matthew 24.15-35

pm Reading: Judges 9 *A man of ambition- Abimelech*

9.15am

Sunday Praise: Mrs Eleanor Oelmann

11.15am

Morning Worship: Mrs Eleanor Oelmann

5.00pm

Word and Worship: Rev Graham Hamilton (Lord's Supper)

19 Mon

9.10am

Morning prayer

20 Tue

2.00pm

Mothers Union in the Church Room

21 Wed

10.00am

Holy Communion in the church room

5.30pm

Wise Guys in the Church Room

7.30pm

Parochial Church Council in the Church Room

22 Thur

7.00am

Men's Prayer Breakfast in the Church Room

9.45am

First Steps in the Church Room

23 Fri

9.45am

First Steps in the Church Room

6.00pm

Christmas Choir rehearsal in the church

7.30pm

Vine Project group meets at Southbrook Farm

24 Sat

2-4.00pm

Christmas Fair in the Church Room

25 Sun***Keep watch, stay wise***

am reading: 1 Thessalonians 4.13-5.11, Matthew 24.36-51

pm reading: Judges 13-16 *Strength over sense- Samson*

9.15am

Sunday Praise & Baptism: Mr Mark Alexander

11.15am

Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton

5.00pm

Word and Worship: Rev Graham Hamilton

6.30pm

Walking the Way introduction in the church room

26 Mon

9.10am

Morning prayer

28 Wed

10.00am

Holy Communion in the Church Room

29 Thur

7.00am

Men's Prayer Breakfast in the Church Room

9.45am

First Steps in the Church Room

30 Fri

9.45am

First Steps in the Church Room

5.00pm

Choir Practice in church

6.00pm

Christmas Choir rehearsal in the church

December

1 Sat

3-6.00pm

Town Christmas Fair and Lights

2 Sun***Advent Sunday: Give me oil in my lamp***

reading: 1 Thessalonians 5.12-end, Matthew 25.1-12

8.00am

Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton

9.30am

NO Sunday Praise this week

11.00am

Morning Worship with baptism: Rev Graham Hamilton

4.00pm

Christingle Service: Rev Graham Hamilton

Notes & Events

Christmas Choir

Do you want to sing for the Carols by Candlelight service on Monday 17th December? Stephen Moseley (01626 835434) is leading the choir, and rehearsals begin on Friday 23 November, 6pm in the church room.

Wise Guys

Wise Guys is our fortnight club for young people aged 10-14. We meet in November on Wednesday 7th and 21st from 5.30-7pm in the church room for food, games and wisdom from the bible.

Universal Credit

Teignbridge CVS have sent the following information:

'Universal Credit (UC) is a new benefit that combines various separate benefits like Housing Benefit. In September UC was rolled out in the Teignbridge district. There have been some problems in the changeover causing difficulties for people moving from the old "legacy benefit system" onto Universal Credit (UC).

This may have affected members or clients of your club, group or organisation. If you know of anyone struggling with the changeover to Universal Credit (UC), please 'signpost' them to Citizens Advice – phone 03444 111 444. CVS can refer people to the foodbanks – HITS and THAT, in order to provide them with food packs and toiletries for a few weeks.

Claims for Universal Credit (UC) are normally made online, although claimants who cannot make a claim online, for example because of poor literacy skills or difficulties using computers, may be able to make a claim by telephone. People who have difficulty making a claim online should contact the universal credit helpline on 0800 328 9344 and ask to make their application by phone.'

Christmas Fair

The Christmas Fair returns! On Saturday 24 November from 2-4pm in the Church Room. If you have donations or ideas for a stall please contact Helen Barlow on 07967193005. or neli-b@hotmail.co.uk.

Walking the Way

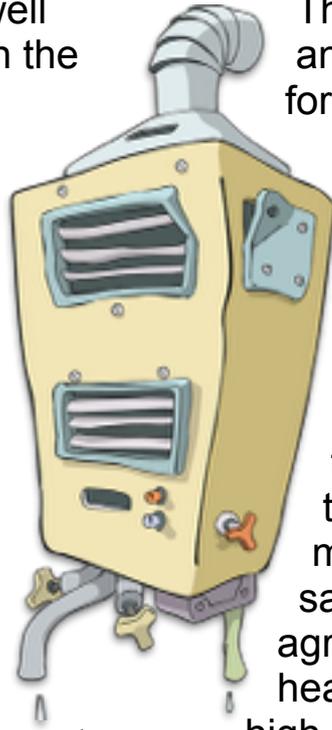
Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth and the life". If you are interested in exploring the Christian faith, or being baptised or confirmed, Graham is planning a new course to begin in mid-November. Please contact him for details.

Update on Heating at PPT Bovey

As the congregation at PPT well know, we have a problem with the heating system!

The PCC decided in January that the old oil tank needed to be replaced, and we have been seeking planning permission for various options since then. A new oil tank has been on order since September, but we still do not have a firm delivery date.

Also in September we discovered that the central heating boiler was not working and the PCC agreed to seek two quotations for replacement or repair. Despite the persistent efforts of churchwarden Roy and Mark in the office, the contractors who came to inspect the boiler were very slow to offer quotations, and by the emergency PCC meeting on 17 October we had still not received a single written quotation! The PCC had a second emergency meeting on Friday 2 November. We were very grateful for advice from Mr Andy Marchant, a member of St Mary's Hennock with professional engineering experience of boiler systems. With four quotations now received, the PCC approved the repair of the boiler, which is likely to take about 2-3 weeks. We are fully aware of the possibility that if the boiler cannot be repaired, it will need to be replaced. If the boiler is repaired before the new oil tank arrives, we will continue to use the old tank with small quantities of fuel.



The cold of autumn is now here, and the PCC has a responsibility for the well-being of the congregation, especially the young children whose Sunday Club groups normally meet in the church building at 9.30am, and the older members of the 11am service. We have investigated the possibility of temporary heating systems for the church, but these need to meet high standards of safety to satisfy our insurers, and the PCC agreed that the cost of hiring heating for a long period is too high.

What does this mean for services?

The PCC has agreed that the church building should not be used for regular services until the boiler is repaired: we hope this will be before December. The Remembrance Sunday service will be held in church as usual: the service is short, and people usually come dressed to walk down to the Town memorial. But for Sunday 18 and 25 November, the children's groups will be held in church warden Tracey's lounge and the Vicarage kitchen, and the 11am service will be held in the church room. In order to prevent a traffic jam as the first service leaves at the same as the second service arrives, the service times will be moved to 9.15am and 11.15am. The 11.15am will be very welcome to join the earlier congregation for coffee from 10.45pm. We hope this arrangement will only be for two Sundays!

Graham Hamilton

BIBLICAL COUNSELLING

Devon Biblical Counselling Events

Friday 25th January and Saturday 26th January 2019

With Helen Thorne and Biblical Counselling UK's Executive Director, Steve Midgley, to do 2 topical talks on the Friday evening and a Day Conference on the Saturday in Exeter under the title: ***"Identity - from shifting sand to solid rock"***.

Friday 25 January 2019, 7.30pm - 9pm

Wounded Identity

Helen Thorne

Gender and Identity

Steve Midgley

£3 - cash on the door

The sessions will run concurrently, so choose one talk to attend

Saturday 26 January 2019

10am - 4pm

Identity Day Conference

Where do we find the foundations of our identity?

How do we help each other grow towards a more Christ-centred identity?

With a Bible reading talk on the radical transformation that took place in the life of Judah.

£10 /£6 students*- cash on the door

Booking is open now: email bryony.byrom@gmail.com. Posters are on the church noticeboard.

What's on and who's who at St Mary's

November

4 Sun

All Saints: verdict on heartlessness

Readings: Hebrews 11.32-40, Matthew 23.13-39
Morning Worship: Mr Mark Alexander

10.00am

6 Tue

10.30am

Community Coffee morning at the Village Hall

11 Sun

Remembrance Sunday

Readings: Hebrews 9.24-end, Mark 1.14-20
Morning Worship: Mr Arnold Cade

10.00am

15 Thu

12noon

Soup & Pud lunch at the Village Hall

18 Sun

2nd before Advent *How to survive the Apocalypse*
readings: 1 Thessalonians 1.1-10, Matthew 24.1-14
Holy Communion: Rev Graham Hamilton

10.00am

25 Sun

Christ the King: *Signs of the Times*

Readings: Daniel 7.1-14, Matthew 24.15-35
Morning Worship: Mrs Eleanor Oelmann

10.00am

28 Wed

10.00am

Stitch & Knit at the Village Hall

December

2 Sun

Advent Sunday:

Readings: 1 Thessalonians 3.9-end, Luke 21.25-36?
Light up a Life: Mrs Veronica Dell

4.00pm

Please note that the Parochial Church Council meeting originally scheduled for Mon 12 November has been postponed to Mon 10 December

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Rota - November

	Sidesman	Reader	Intercessor	Flowers
4th	Lynne Russell	Frances Swan	Service Leader	June
11th	Harold Joll	Libby Marnham	Brian Marnham	Rachel
18th	Ken Swan	Miles Pomfrett	Ken Swan	Rachel
25th	Pat Savage-Jones	June Brown	Ellena Jamie	Rachel
Dec				
4th	Lynne Russell	Anne English	Service Leader	Advent

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THE BIG QUIZ NIGHT

2018

SATURDAY 17 NOVEMBER

HUNDREDS OF CHURCHES. THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE. ONE BIG QUIZ.

For one night only, get together with your friends, family and church for the biggest multi-venue, nationwide quiz ever.

Every pound raised will help transform the lives of people living in poverty.

WHERE: The Upper Room

Rora House, Liverton, TQ12 6HZ

At: 6.30pm

CONTACT: anna-info@rorahouse.org.uk

or for more information visit www.tearfund.org/quiz

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Devon Bible Conference



God's Letter to a Worldly Church: lessons on the Lordship of Christ, spirituality and authentic Christian living

with Dr Paul Gardner
*Pastor, theologian and
author of the recently published
Zondervan commentary on 1 Corinthians*

Saturday 17th November 2018
10am - 3.30pm
St Leonard's Church, Exeter

Booking information:
www.exeterdef.org.uk