

From Source to Sea

with the churches of the Bride Valley and Chesil



Welcome!

We extend a warm welcome to all those worshipping with us today and during the week, especially newcomers and visitors on holiday. Please make yourselves known to us and let us know if there is anything we can do to help you enjoy your time in the area.

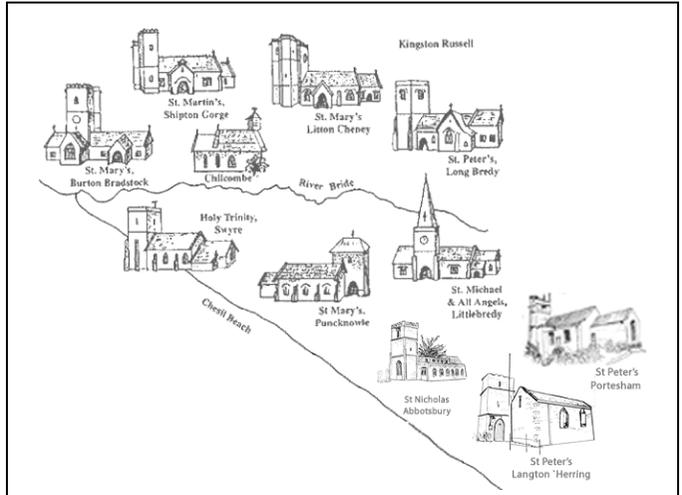
More information about the churches is available on the village websites.

Our ministry team:

- *Revd Margaret-Preuss-Higham*
- *Revd. Liz Howlett*
- *Revd. Ryder Rogers*
- *LLM James Webster*
- *LWL Vicky Thomas*
- *LWL Paul Cheater*
- *LWL Heather Goffee*
- *LWL Diana Ludlow*
Occasional Visiting Clergy:
- *Revd. David Wilson*
- *Revd. Canon John Wood*
- *Revd. Jacquie Shaw*
- *Revd Prebendary Alastair Wheeler*

Weekly News

7th January 2024
Epiphany



Services Today

9.00 am	Langton Herring	BCP Communion
9.30 am	Litton Cheney	Holy Communion
11.00 am	Portesham	Covenant Service*
	Abbotsbury	Parish Communion
	Long Bredy	Holy Communion
	Burton Bradstock	Hymns & Carols
	<i>*joint service at the Methodist Church</i>	

Psalm: 72: 1-15

OT: Isaiah 60: 1-6

NT: Ephesians 3: 1-12

Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12

3.00 pm **Swyre**

Evening Prayer

Isaiah 60: 1-9

John 2: 1-11

The **telephone service**, provided by Daily Hope will be available on **0800 804 8044**

Call to worship and thought for the week

Get out of bed, Jerusalem! Wake up. Put your face in the sunlight. God's bright glory has risen for you... Nations will come to your light, kings to your sunburst brightness. (*Isaiah 60 1-3 from the Message*)

Priest (part-time) Revd Margaret Preuss-Higham (☎01305 873978 revmph@gmail.com)
All Benefice enquiries during the vacancy to the Benefice Administrator (☎01308 897260)

For our prayers:

We have much to celebrate this week, including:

- Being joined in worship by family members and holidaymakers over the Christmas and New Year season

We are grateful for:

- Our treasurers who manage our finances with PCCs throughout the year but are now working on time consuming end-of-year reports

Your kingdom come, here and now:

- In our schools beginning a new term
- In the process of appointing a new rector for the Benefice
- Across our benefice as we work together in mission

Regularly in our prayers:

- Our ministry team as they plan and prepare our worship
- Lay Pastoral Assistants: Pauline, Cathryn, Jenny and Liz
- Bishops: Stephen, Karen, and Andrew, Archdeacon: Penny
- Bishop Rufus and the diocese of Lainya in Sudan during this time of unrest
- For the priest who may already feel called to move to this area.

Specially in our prayers this week:

- All those affected by natural disasters (especially the earthquake in Japan)
- Those caught up in conflict and war
- Those coping with life-limiting illness and those caring for them
- Shipton Gorge and all who live and work there

... remembering the families of those who have recently died including Robert Dewar, David Jones and Lesley Keatley

COLLECTS FOR EPIPHANY

- for use in the services or for private prayer

O God, who by the leading of a star manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth: mercifully grant that we, who know you now by faith, may at last behold your glory face to face; 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

Creator of the heavens, who led the Magi by a star to worship the Christ-child: guide and sustain us, that we may find our journey's end in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

(Post communion prayer)

Lord God,

the bright splendour whom the nations seek:

may we who with the wise men have been drawn by your light

discern the glory of your presence in your Son,

the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen



REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS:

Monday	3.30 pm	Big Q Church at LATCH
Tuesday	10.30 am	Life Group at Manafossen Barn , Burton Bradstock
	6.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Litton Cheney ☎482312*)
Wednesday	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Long Bredy ☎482270*)
	7.30 pm	Bell ringing practice (Shipton Gorge ☎07799751130*)
Thursday	7.00 pm	Bell ringing practice (Burton Bradstock ☎898603*)
Friday	2.00 pm	Tots Time at Burton Bradstock
	3.00 pm	Bible Study Group at Portesham Methodist Hall

** Please phone to check if practice is taking place*

ADDITIONAL EVENTS THIS WEEK

Wed 10 th	3.30 pm	Quarter Peal to be rung at Burton Bradstock
	4.30 pm	Quarter Peal to be rung at Shipton Gorge
Thurs 11 th	10.30 am	Burton Coffee Mates in the church
Sat 13 th	2.00 pm	Thanksgiving service: Robert Dewar - Litton Cheney

RENEWING OUR COVENANT

At the beginning of the new year, Methodists traditionally renew their Covenant with God in a Covenant Service – a joint service is to be held **today** at **Portesham** at the Methodist Church at 11.00 am which also includes Holy Communion. Congregations join in the words of the Covenant Prayer:

I am no longer my own but yours.

Your will, not mine, be done in all things, wherever you may place me, in all that I do and in all that I may endure;

when there is work for me and when there is none;

when I am troubled and when I am at peace.

Your will be done when I am valued and when I am disregarded;

when I find fulfilment and when it is lacking;

when I have all things, and when I have nothing.

I willingly offer all I have and am to serve you, as and where you choose.

Glorious and blessed God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

you are mine and I am yours.

May it be so for ever.

Let this covenant now made on earth be fulfilled in heaven. Amen.

FACEBOOK PAGE

As part of the ongoing process of joining the Bride Valley and Chesil Churches together, we have decided that we will have one Facebook page for everybody (rather than the two separate pages that are running at the moment). We are in the process of preparing this and will let you know on Source to Sea and on our Facebook pages when we are ready!

To start our new Facebook page off, we thought it would be good if we could find one person with a camera phone in each church and a willing volunteer to be interviewed to introduce the church, say something important about it - for example about the pattern of worship or maybe about the church in the community - 30 seconds max! More details from Helen, our Benefice Administrator, bvchurchesta@outlook.com

Next Sunday

14th Jan

Epiphany 2

9.00 am	Abbotsbury	BCP Communion
9.30 am	Shipton Gorge	Breakfast Church
	Puncknowle	Holy Communion
	Litton Cheney	Morning Worship
10.00 am	Portesham	Family Praise
11.00 am	Burton Bradstock	Holy Communion
	Swyre	Morning Worship
	Littlebredy	Holy Communion
	Langton Herring	Holy Communion

Psalm 139: 1-5, 12-18

NT: Revelation 5: 1-10

OT: 1 Samuel 3: 1-20

Gospel: John 1: 43-51

The **telephone service**, provided by the Reverend Liz Howlett will be available on **01308 293062**

DATES FOR THE DIARY

13 th	Coffee Break: 10.30 am in Long Bredy Village Hall
16 th	PSWB+ Lunch Club: 1.00 pm in Puncknowle Village Hall
17 th	Coffee Stop: 10.00 am in Burton Bradstock Village Hall
19 th	Come Along Inn: 5.30 pm in Long Bredy Village Hall
29 th	Benefice Council Meeting: 7.00 pm in Puncknowle Village Hall

Please check the **Bride Valley News** for further information and events.

MAKING JESUS KNOWN

- is the vision for our Diocese and all our parishes. Keep up to date with the events: www.salisbury.anglican.org/whoweare/making-jesus-known/

KEEPING UP-TO-DATE

Every week, our Source to Sea is available online via www.burtonbradstockvillage.org and www.bvn.org.uk and via email. Please send an email to Helen (bvchurchesta@outlook.com) if you would like to join the mailing list.

GENEROUS GIVING:

Thank you to everyone who supports the work of our churches through 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 come from you and of your own do we give you.*" 1 Chronicles 29:14

BENEFICE ADMINISTRATOR

Please confine calls, if at all possible, to *school hours*. Email is always a great option for contact and Helen will respond as quickly as she can(bvchurchesta@outlook.com)

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

<http://www.burtonbradstockvillage.org>

Follow the Bride Valley Churches on **Facebook:**

<http://www.facebook.com/bridevalleychurches>

and on A Church Near You: www.achurchnearyou.com

Daily Hope – the free service from the CoFE is available on **0800 804 8044**

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