

Collect for today

O Lord, we beseech you mercifully to hear the prayers of your people who call upon you; and grant that they may both perceive and know what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to fulfil them; 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.**

Readings for today (may vary)

Isaiah 50:4-9a,
(Psalm 116:1-8),
James 3:1-12,
Mark 8:27-end

Next week's reading

Jeremiah 11:18-20,
(Psalm 54),
James 3:13-4:3,7-8a,
Mark 9:30-37

Later today

5.00pm Germansweek – Evening Prayer
6.00pm Hatherleigh – Evening Prayer

Verse for the Week

“The Lord has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he awakens – awakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.” **Isaiah 50:4-5**

Prayer and Reading Diary Bratton Clovelly

Monday

Read: Jeremiah 11:18-20,
Pray for: Church groups and committees, PCC members, Church Wardens and officers.

Tuesday

Read: Psalm 54,
Pray for: The young people in the village and those in education especially at Boasley Cross School and Okehampton College, and all those at university or college.

Wednesday

Read: James 3:13-4:8a,
Pray for: The older people in the community and those who have recently moved into the village.

Thursday

Read: Mark 9:30-37,
Pray for: The sick at home or in hospital and anyone suffering either mentally or physically in the community.

Friday

Read: Exodus 19:10-end,
Pray for: Methodist Chapels and our continuing co-operation with them and all those who minister in our churches throughout the team.

Saturday

Read: Matthew 8:23-end,
Pray for: Parish Council, Parish Hall Committee and all other local organisations.

Events this week

Tuesday 18th September:

9am Hatherleigh Prayer Group - Methodist Prayer Room
2pm Northmoor Fellowship, All Saints Okehampton (see Future Events)
5pm Prayers for vacancy – Hatherleigh Church

Wednesday 19th September:

9am Bridestowe weekly joint church prayer Meeting: Contact Jenny Reynolds 01837 861678
2pm Bible Study - Old Schools, Hatherleigh.

Thursday 20th September:

10am Holy Communion - St James Chapel

Notices:

There is NO SERVICE at St James Okehampton this evening because of the mayor's service in the afternoon.

Future Events:

Tuesday 18th September: Northmoor Fellowship

Meet in church at 2pm. Visitors very welcome. Our speaker is Sue Baxter who will talk about bees and candle making with an opportunity to have a go yourself. For more details contact Eileen Davey (659085).

Sunday 7th October: Folk Service

The very successful Dartmoor Folk service is to be repeated, this time with a harvest service at Bratton Clovelly on the afternoon of Sunday 7th October at 4:00pm. Practices for the choir and band are on the 29th Sept and 6th October, both at 4:00 pm in church.

Sunday 28th October:

The Exbourne Community Choir is giving a performance in Inwardleigh church at 2.30 to include refreshments - tickets are £6.

Services for 23rd September 2018 17th Sunday after Trinity (Proper 20)

8.30am	Sticklepath – Holy Communion
9.30am	Belstone – Harvest Festival
	Inwardleigh – Family service
	Bratton Clovelly – Morning Prayer
	Bridestowe – Harvest Service
	Jacobstowe – Holy Communion
10.00am	Northlew – United Family Service In the church
11.00am	Okehampton – Holy Communion
	Sourton – Morning Prayer
	Lydford – Holy Communion
	Hatherleigh – United Service with Community Church in Community Centre
	Exbourne – United Harvest Festival With Methodists in Church
5.00pm	Germansweek – Evening Prayer
6.00pm	Hatherleigh – Evening Prayer

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If this is your first visit or you have not been for a while, please take a welcome leaflet from the back of Church. Contact details for Clergy are given above.

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“How about you: what do you think?” I imagine we have all had the uncomfortable experience of having the spotlight turned on us when we weren't expecting it. Maybe we have been happily joining in a conversation about what the problem is or what other people think when suddenly we have found we are the subject of the question: what do you think?

In the famous gospel reading set for today Jesus begins by asking the disciples who other people say he is. The disciples tell him there is a range of opinion, with some people saying one thing and others another. “What about you?” asks Jesus, “Who do you say I am?” Peter is the one to answer: “You are the Messiah” he replies.

Who do you say Jesus is? It's easy enough to answer that question in terms of what other people think. We might have inherited an opinion from somewhere or we might never have thought to apply that question to ourselves. No one can tell you what to think: each of us has to make up our mind for ourselves. Jesus makes huge claims about himself. The Christian Faith does as well; it is written into our creeds. But today, as you listen to the Gospel being read, imagine the spotlight turned on you. What do you think? Who do you say he is? On the answer to that question hangs a great deal.

Stephen