



*Together, serving the
communities of
Teignmouth,
Bishopsteignton, Ideford,
Luton, Ashcombe,
Shaldon and Ringmore*

Praying and Growing in Christian discipleship and
Serving the people of Devon with joy

Welcome to our churches
Sunday 11th May 2025
The Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9.36-end

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity.

At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, 'Please come to us without delay.' So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them.

Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, 'Tabitha, get up.' Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up.

He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive.

This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

Revelation 7.9-end

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands.

They cried out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!'

And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and might be to

our God for ever and ever! Amen.' 13 Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.

They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the centre of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.'

John 10.22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, 'How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.'

Jesus answered, 'I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep.

My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me.

I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand.

What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand.

The Father and I are one.'

Collect

Almighty God,
whose Son Jesus Christ is the resurrection and the life: raise us, who trust in him,
from the death of sin to the life of righteousness,
that we may seek those things which are above,
where he reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Post Communion Collect

Merciful Father,

you gave your Son Jesus Christ to be the good shepherd, and in his love for us to lay down his life and rise again: keep us always under his protection, and give us grace to follow in his steps; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Requests to Guide Your Prayers

(Please contact clergy for inclusion)

Residential home: Westlands

The healing and wholeness of:

David Wright (St Michael's), Rebecca Davis, Alan Wooderson, Di Caine, Faith from Imprezza, Kenya and Maggie Halford.

Circle of Care: Andy Dyson, Janet Paget, Max Guy, Marion Delaney, John Wibberley, Cynthia Mosely, Chris Newton, Nicholas Brixton, Len Parkyn, Andy Harding, Nobby Bray and Verity Langley.

The recently departed and their family and

friends: Dennis Knapp, Gordon Thornton, Geraint Thomas, Elizabeth Price and Harry Sullivan.

Services During the week

Tues 13th 9.30am - St Michael's: Holy Communion

Thurs 15th 9.30am - St Peter's: Morning Prayers

Services Next Sunday 18th May

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

9.30am - St Michael: Holy Communion

9.30am - St Nicholas: Matins

11am - St John's, Bishop: Village Worship

11am - St James: Holy Communion

11am - St Mary's : Holy Communion

11am - St Peter's: Create Church

Future events open to everyone across the Mission Community

Julian Group are meeting for silent prayer at St James'. Saturday 17th May, 10am.

Dorcas Group next meeting is 20th May at St Michael's at 11am. Author, Stephanie Austin, will be talking about writing her crime thrillers set in Devon. Lunch to follow. Please contact Chris Marsh, 01626 772561, if you would like to attend.

Pilgrimage to Jordan Easter 2026. Brett Ward is leading a pilgrimage to Holy Land sites in Jordan for nine days next Eastertide. Brochures available at the back of St Michael's and St Peter's. All welcome. You can also find the details on the lightline website. Please contact Brett on 07766900927 or fatherbrettward@gmail.com

Open the Bible team need your help. Children in our local primary schools love hearing and acting out Bible stories and we would love this valuable outreach to continue. If your interested speak to Lesley Heffer or email otbsueharvey@gmail.com

Create Church is an informal church service where we will explore how we can be church together for all ages including a Bible story, craft, games, lego, discussion, prayer and music. Look online for more information.

The Administrator works flexible hours from Mon - Fri (not Bank Holidays) to accommodate Clergy and all 8 Churches needs. Please contact Sarah via email or phone and she will get back to you. Please respect Sarah and her young family's worship time on a Sunday morning and refrain from approaching her or her parents to discuss work matters of any kind. If you need to leave any documents for Sarah please leave them in the tray marked FAO: Administrator in St Michael's.

Pewsheets submissions by 10am please on Thurs to Sarah: office@haldonteam.org.uk or call 07494 222848

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