

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 2nd March 2025 Sunday before Lent

Exodus 34. 29-end The Shining Face of Moses

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand. Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterwards all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

2 Corinthians 3.12 -4. 2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in acontinued

mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Treasure in Clay Jars

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practise cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

Luke 9. 28 - 36 The Transfiguration

Now about eight days after these sayings Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, 'Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah'—not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, 'This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!' When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

Collect

Almighty Father,
whose Son was revealed in majesty
before he suffered death upon the cross:
give us grace to perceive his glory,
that we may be strengthened to suffer with him
and be changed into his likeness, from glory to
glory; who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen

Post Communion Collect

Holy God,

we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ:
may we who are partakers at his table
reflect his life in word and deed,
that all the world may know
his power to change and save.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Requests to Guide Your Prayers

(Please contact clergy for inclusion)

Residential home: Teignbridge House

The healing and wholeness of:

David Wright (St Michael's), Jack Eastwood, Rebecca Davis and Mike Hurst.

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

The recently departed and their family and friends: John Perryman, Geoff McAllister, Stephen Ellis, Margaret Baxter, Harry Rudge and Anthony Butt.

Services During the week

Sun 2nd 7pm – St Michaels: Choral Evensong (part of Classical Music Festival)

Tues 4^{th} 9.30am - St Michael's: Holy Communion Wed 5^{th} : -

10.00am - St John's Holy Communion with Ashing 6.00pm - St Peters Holy Communion with Ashing 7.00pm - St Michael's Holy Communion with Ashing

Thurs 6th 9.30am - St Peters: Morning Prayer

Services Next Sunday 9th March Sunday Next before Lent

8.00am - St James: Holy Communion

9.30am - St Michael: Holy Communion

9.30am - St Nicholas: Matins

9.30am - St. John's: Family Church and Holy Communion,

11.00am – St James: Morning Worship 11.00am – St Peter's: Holy Communion 6.30pm - St John the Evangelist, Luton – Evening Service

Future events open to everyone across the Mission Community

Torbay Symphony Orchestra concert in St. Peter's Sunday 9th March - at 4.00pm - Wagner-Strauss-Brahms - tickets £15 - see www.torbaysymphony.org for concessions & to book.

Lent Course The journey to Easter. Handel's Messiah

Handel's Messiah is beautiful choral music telling the story of the life of Christ. In song, we learn about Christ's Nativity, Passion, Resurrection and Ascension.

The spreading of the first gospel is gloriously summarised in the Hallelujah chorus. You are warmly invited to take part in this Lent course, starting on Monday 10th March and ending on Monday 7th April at Bishopsteignton Methodist Church.

Please email Ruth Sewell for information or to register. <u>drruthsewell@haldonteam.org.uk</u> **Last chance to register is 3rd March**.

Registration is essential.

Julian Group meeting for silent prayer, Saturday March 15th St James 10.00 am -10.30 am. Everyone welcome.

Save the Date. 22nd March Franciscan Quiet Day. St Michaels with Rev. Paul Smedley. More details to follow. All welcome.

APCM dates are being announced in Teignmouth and Shaldon and new Electoral Rolls are being prepared. Please ensure you have completed your form. See information in your church for final dates.