

**Teign Valley & Haldon Hill Mission Community**  
**Scattered Church: Worship at home on 03/08/25 Trinity 7**  
**(Call 0333 0110 616; code 334 7721)**

**Hymn**

Seek ye first the kingdom of God  
and his righteousness;  
and all these things shall be added unto you,  
Allelu, alleluia!

You shall not live by bread alone,  
but by ev'ry word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God,  
Allelu, alleluia!

Ask, and it shall be given unto you,  
seek, and ye shall find.  
Knock, and the door shall be opened unto you,  
Allelu, alleluia!

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Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you  
**and also with you.**

Loving God, we have come to worship you.  
**Help us to pray to you in faith,**  
**to sing your praise with gratitude,**  
**and to listen to your word with eagerness;**  
**through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed for us.  
Let us therefore rejoice by putting away all malice and evil  
and confessing our sins with a sincere and true heart.

**Lord God,**  
**we have sinned against you;**  
**we have done evil in your sight.**  
**We are sorry and repent.**  
**Have mercy on us according to your love.**  
**Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.**  
**Renew a right spirit within us**  
**and restore us to the joy of your salvation,**  
**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Almighty God,  
who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon us,  
pardon and deliver us from all our sins,  
confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,

and keep us in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

***The Collect***

Generous God,  
you give us gifts and make them grow:  
though our faith is small as mustard seed,  
make it grow to your glory,  
and the flourishing of your kingdom;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

***Readings***

***Ecclesiastes 1:2,12-14; 2:18-23***

Vanity of vanities, says the Teacher, vanity of vanities! All is vanity.

I, the Teacher, when king over Israel in Jerusalem, applied my mind to seek and to search out by wisdom all that is done under heaven; it is an unhappy business that God has given to human beings to be busy with. I saw all the deeds that are done under the sun; and see, all is vanity and a chasing after wind.

I hated all my toil in which I had toiled under the sun, seeing that I must leave it to those who come after me —and who knows whether they will be wise or foolish? Yet they will be master of all for which I toiled and used my wisdom under the sun. This also is vanity. So I turned and gave my heart up to despair concerning all the toil of my labours under the sun, because sometimes one who has toiled with wisdom and knowledge and skill must leave all to be enjoyed by another who did not toil for it. This also is vanity and a great evil. What do mortals get from all the toil and strain with which they toil under the sun? For all their days are full of pain, and their work is a vexation; even at night their minds do not rest. This also is vanity.

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

***Colossians 3:1-11***

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at

the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all! This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### ***Luke 12:13-21***

Someone in the crowd said to him, ‘Teacher, tell my brother to divide the family inheritance with me.’ But he said to him, ‘Friend, who set me to be a judge or arbitrator over you?’ And he said to them, ‘Take care! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; for one’s life does not consist in the abundance of possessions.’ Then he told them a parable: ‘The land of a rich man produced abundantly. And he thought to himself, “What should I do, for I have no place to store my crops?” Then he said, “I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones, and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; relax, eat, drink, be merry.” But God said to him, “You fool! This very night your life is being demanded of you. And the things you have prepared, whose will they be?” So it is with those who store up treasures for themselves but are not rich towards God.’

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

### ***Reflection***

*(Dial 01647 407047 to hear it again during the week)*

### ***Affirmation of faith***

Let us declare our faith  
in the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life,  
the one for whom we exist?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature,  
died for us and rose again?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,  
who gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world?

**I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith.**

**We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

### ***Intercessions***

#### ***The Lord's Prayer***

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour taught us

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come;  
thy will be done;  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### ***The Peace***

We are the body of Christ.

In the one Spirit we were all baptised into one body.

Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.

*cf 1 Corinthians 12.13; Romans 14.19*

The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

#### ***Notices***

**Almighty God,  
we thank you for the gift of your holy word.  
May it be a lantern to our feet,  
a light to our paths, and a strength to our lives.  
Take us and use us to love and serve  
in the power of the Holy Spirit  
and in the name of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

#### ***Blessing***

God, who through the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ has given us the victory,  
give you joy and peace in your faith;  
and the blessing of Almighty God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be among us and  
remain with us evermore. **Amen.**

#### ***Hymn***

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven,  
to his feet your tribute bring;  
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,

who like you his praise should sing?  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour  
to our fathers in distress;  
praise him, still the same as ever,  
slow to blame and swift to bless;  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
glorious in his faithfulness.

Father-like, he tends and spares us,  
All our hopes and fears he knows;  
in his hands he gently bears us,  
rescues us from all our foes:  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;  
you behold him face to face;  
sun and moon, bow down before him,  
praise him all in time and space.  
Alleluia, alleluia!  
praise with us the God of grace.

*Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847)*  
*(adapted) Based on Psalm 103*

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### **Teign Valley & Haldon Hill Mission Community Services**

#### **Telephone Services**

**(Call 0333 0110 616; code 334 7721)**

**Wednesdays at 6pm: Evening Prayer**

**Sundays at 9am: Sunday Worship – a half hour Service of the Word: hymns, readings and prayers**

#### **Church Services**

<b>August 3 Trinity 7</b>	10.30am HC St James Christow 10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
<b>August 10 Trinity 8</b>	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford 10.30am HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock 10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
<b>August 17 Trinity 9</b>	10.30am HC St John the Baptist Ashton 10.30am HC St Mary Dunsford
<b>August 24 St Bartholomew</b>	10.30am MC HC St James Christow

<b>August 31 Trinity 11</b>	10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
	10.30am MC HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock
<b>Sept 7 Trinity 12</b>	10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
	11.00am Harvest Thanksgiving w/HC St James Christow
	10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh
<b>Sept 14 Holy Cross Day</b>	10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford
	11.30am Harvest Thanksgiving St John the Baptist Ashton
	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford
<b>Sept 21 St Matthew</b>	10.30am Family Service St Mary Dunsford
	10.30am HC St Michael & All Angels Dunchideock
	10.30am HC St Mary Dunsford
<b>Sept 28 Trinity 15</b>	10.30am HC St Thomas Becket Bridford
	10.30am HC St Michael Doddiscombsleigh
	10.30am Service of the Word St Mary Dunsford

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