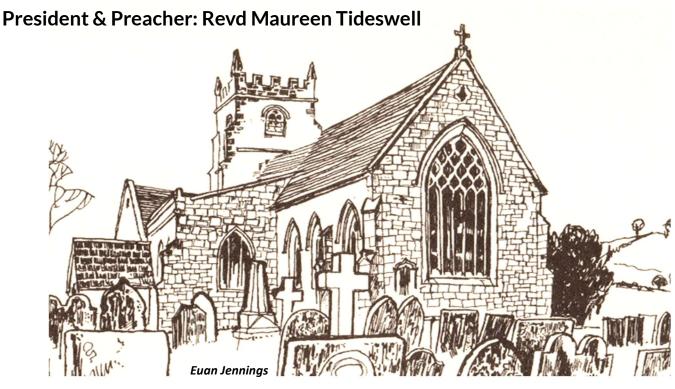
Pew Sheet

Sunday 28 September 2025

11am Parish Eucharist

The Fifteenth Sunday of Trinity



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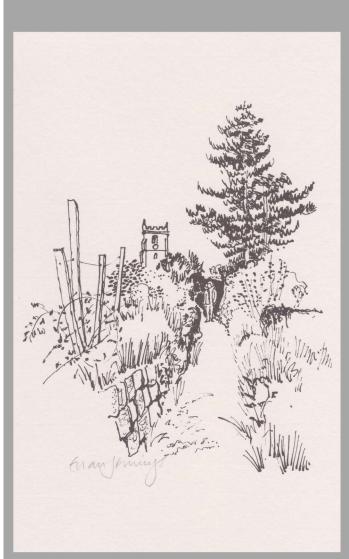


Welcome!

It's wonderful to have you with us this morning, as we gather to worship together in this beautiful parish church. Please don't hesitate to speak to our sidesperson if there is anything you need.

Please do come and join us in the Choir House for refreshments after the service.

History & Points of Interest



Our church dates back to the late 12th century and was built using local Cheddleton stone.

The Sanctuary refurbishment and re-ordering of much of the church was undertaken in the late 1860s largely supervised by the churchwarden of the time, Sir Thomas Wardle, and his wife, Lady Elizabeth. Sir Thomas enjoyed a close collaboration with William Morris, which resulted in the large number of beautiful treasures that we hold, including most of the stained-glass windows.

The triptych behind the altar is of special interest and was loaned to the Victoria and Albert Museum for six months.

During the 1972 renovations of the sanctuary, two lead coffins, believed to contain monks from Dieulacres, were discovered and remain there today.

The belfry contains six bells, dating from 1632 to 1864. Tours of the church and tower are available by appointment.

A loop system is installed in Church. If you wear a hearing aid, please tune it to 'T'.

If you need gluten free communion wafers, please make yourself known to the vicar, a churchwarden or any church officials.

Hymns

Hymns Ancient & Modern New Standard

Opening Hymn Who Would True Valour See	212
Gradual Hymn When I Needed a Neighbour <i>(stanzas i, ii, iii, vi)</i>	433
Offertory Hymn Lord of All Hopefulness	394
Communion Hymn Jesus, Good Above All Other	378
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Collect

God, who in generous mercy sent the Holy Spirit upon your Church in the burning fire of your love:
grant that your people may be fervent
in the fellowship of the gospel
that, always abiding in you,
they may be found steadfast in faith and active in service;
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

Amos

6.1a, 4-7

Alas for those who are at ease in Zion!
Alas for those who lie on beds of ivory,
and lounge on their couches,
and eat lambs from the flock,
and calves from the stall;
who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp,
and like David improvise on instruments of music;
who drink wine from bowls,
and anoint themselves with the finest oils,
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Readings continued

Psalm 146

- 1 Alleluia. Praise the Lord, O my soul: while I live will I praise the Lord; as long as I have any being, I will sing praises to my God.
- 2 Put not your trust in princes, nor in any human power, for there is no help in them.
- 3 When their breath goes forth, they return to the earth; on that day all their thoughts perish.
- 4 Happy are those who have the God of Jacob for their help, whose hope is in the Lord their God;
 - 5 Who made heaven and earth, the sea and all that is in them; who keeps his promise for ever;
 - 6 Who gives justice to those that suffer wrong and bread to those who hunger.
 - 7 The Lord looses those that are bound; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind;
 - 8 The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the righteous;
 - 9 The Lord watches over the stranger in the land; he upholds the orphan and widow; but the way of the wicked he turns upside down.

10 The Lord shall reign for ever, your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Alleluia.

Readings continued

1 Timothy 6.6-19

Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Readings continued

Luke

16.19-end

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke. Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said to the Pharisees, 'There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, "Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames." But Abraham said, "Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us." He said, "Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house—for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment." Abraham replied, "They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them." He said, "No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent." He said to him, "If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Thoughts & Prayers

Kindly remember in your prayers the school and their families, and the wider school community.

Prayers have also been asked for Mollie, Jean, Barbara, Andrew P, Hannah, Sheila, Andrew, Karen, Sylvia Goodliffe and Ester Young.

We remember those who have died: **Peter Owen.**

Please pray, too, for the PCC meeting next Friday.

Prayer Requests

If you know of anyone in need of prayer, please let the vicar or any church officials know, so that they can be included in our prayers.

Post Communion Prayer

Keep, O Lord, your Church, with your perpetual mercy; and, because without you our human frailty cannot but fall, keep us ever by your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Today's Team

President & Preacher Revd Maureen Readers Sandie & Grant

Organist Ellie
Duty Warden Mary
Server Agnes
Sidesperson Agnes
Intercessions Agnes
Refreshments Sandie

Thanks also to our wonderful bellringers.

What's On

Monday
29 September Morning Prayer 8:30am

Tuesday
30 September

Morning Prayer 8:30am

Wednesday Morning Prayer 8:30am 1 October Bell Ringing Practice 7:15pm

Thursday Choir Practice 7pm

Friday Morning Prayer 8:30am 3 October Holy Communion 5pm

Saturday // 4 October

Sunday Parish Eucharist 9:15am

Sunday No morning service today
12 October Harvest Service **3pm**

Notices

Harvest Service

We look forward to welcoming you all to our harvest service on Sunday 12 October at 3pm, where we will be joined by the children and family's year 2 of St Edward's CE Academy. There will be some delicious food roasting on the barbeque for us all following the service.

Please note that there will only be the harvest service on 12 October.

Confirmation Service

+Matthew Parker, Bishop of Stafford, will be coming to Leek on Sunday 16 November for the annual Team Confirmation service.

Confirmation offers us a moment of assured encouragement and strength on our Christian journey, as we pray for the gift of the Holy Spirit in our lives. If you would like to know more about confirmation,

or know someone who might like to be confirmed this autumn, please speak to Revd Henry.

Exploring the Heart of the Christian Faith

Do remember that our new reflection group starts this week! You can still sign up by getting in touch with Revd Henry (details on the front of this pewsheet).

Joint Parish Summer Retreat

Do remember to put your name down on the sheet at the back of church if you would like to go to Mirfield on the joint parish retreat next summer. It promises to be a very special (and nourishing!) occasion!

Poppy Making Workshop: 4 October 10:30-12:30

Sally Frewer is holding a poppy making workshop in the Choir House. All are welcome to join! Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided. Please bring wool if you have any, Sally will bring extra just case though. There is a sign up sheet at the back of the church if you would like to come along.

Christmas Is Coming

Do come along to our "Christmas Cake-Making" event on Tuesday, 14 October (2pm), at which we'll be preparing the Christmas cakes which we plan to sell at our Christmas fayre in December.

It's sure to be a fun (and messy!) afternoon —

do speak to Mary or Nicky if you like to come!



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A VICTORIAN HARVEST

Saturday 11 October 6pm Cheddleton Community Centre

Traditional 3-Course Meal & Magic Lantern Show

with Brian Morris

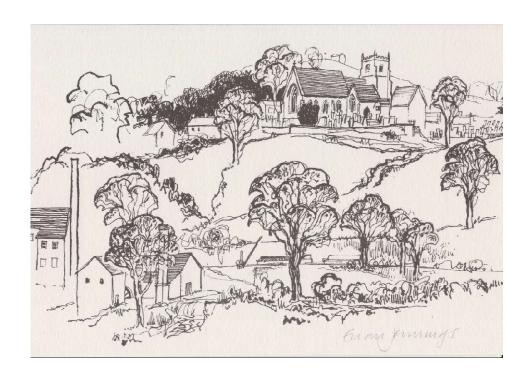
An evening of indulgence, wonder, and heartfelt laughter!

More Information/Tickets https://FOSECCHarvest.eventbrite.com

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Thank you for joining us today; we look forward to seeing you again soon.

A list of forthcoming services can be found on page 9.

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