**The parish of TIPTON ST JOHN****with VENN OTTERY**

*Sharing God’s love with our community*

**Notices for Sunday 12th October 2025**

We have a service of **Holy Communion** at Tipton Church

at 11 am on 2nd Sunday of the month; 9.30 am on 4th Sundays.

All ages are welcome to receive God’s blessing at the Communion rail or to share the bread and wine with us, if you would normally do so. Gluten free wafers are available on request.

**Today’s Bible readings** are 2 Timothy 2: 8 – 15 (p 843 in the church Bibles) and Luke 17: 11 – 19 (p. 740).

You can find details of **all services in our Mission Community** on the website home page <https://ottervalechurches.org/>and local ones on the notice board at the back of Tipton church (by the stairs).

On 3rd Sunday of the month (19th October, for example) at 10.30 am we hold **Café Church** in TSJ Community Hall:

coffee, pastries, chat, craft activity; 11 am informal worship.

Also, on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of the month: 9.30 am- 10.10 am **live online worship service**, accessible on Zoom through your internet browser from the website homepage. For technical help in getting online, do contact [David Williamson](mailto:davidhwilliamson@btinternet.com) in advance. Either he or our other Licensed Lay Minister, Caroline, leads the service, mostly with live music. You can chat face-to-face (if you want to) from 9.20 am and after the service too.

Until 23rd October we are collecting packaged **food** andspecific **clothing** to donate **to St. Petrock’s Centre for the Homeless** in Exeter – see August’s Tipton Times or <https://stpetrocks.org.uk/give-help/harvest/>. You can take it to either of our churches or deliver to David & Becky’s home: St. Mary’s, Hayne Close, Tipton St. John.

If you would like to make a **card payment** to support the work of our church parish, you can do so by clicking [here](https://ottervalechurches.org/donate/).

Click [here](https://ottervalechurches.org/prayers/prayer-diary-1st-7th-september/) to read the monthly prayer page. If anyone you know would appreciate a **paper copy** of the notice sheet or monthly prayer page, please contact [Becky](mailto:beckywilliamson@btinternet.com) 07853 496883.

Some dates for your diary:

Thursdays 16th & 23rd October and 6th November: Homegroup series studying the Nicene Creed (1700th anniversary this year). 7.30 pm at Becky and David’s home, St. Mary’s, Hayne Close, TSJ. Further details from David.

Sun 26th 9.30 am at Tipton Church Holy Communion for Bible Sunday, with infant baptism

Sun. 2nd **November** 3 pm All Souls Service at Tipton Church

Sat. **8th** 10 am Church coffee morning in Tipton Community Hall.

Sun. 9th 10.55 am Service of Remembrance with Holy Communion at Tipton Church

Weds 12th 7 pm for 7.20 pm Deanery Synod at St. Peter’s Church, Sidford, including an Alzheimer’s Society Dementia Friends Information Session, to support us in thinking round what we can do to make our churches more dementia-friendly*.* Ask Becky Williamson if you would like to share transport.

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