

PLEASE take note of these!

Open to God has finished for this term.
We will start again on January 18th with our new series on the 10 Commandments, looking at commandments 1 & 2. Do come along, though, on the 14th at 5:30 for the Carols in the Churchyard at Littleham. We anticipate welcoming close to 100 - 150 of our local community.
If I don't see you before, have a wonderful Christmas! Every blessing, Benedict.



CAROLS IN THE CHURCHYARD Sunday 14th December St Margaret & St Andrew's Church, Littleham

Come along at 5.30 pm for mince pies and hot dogs outside, then move inside to sing carols.
Wrap up warm and bring a torch!

EXMOUTH SCHOOLS CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

December:

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
15	16	17

@ Holy Trinity
Church

5 - 7 pm

All are welcome!



Carol Singing at Tesco's Salterton Road Friday 19th December 5 p.m. til 7 p.m

Using the Bethlehem Carol Sheet. Some handbell ringing as well during intervals.

All are welcome to join in or support. All money raised will go to Christian Aid's Christmas Appeal.

Thank you

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Next Sunday's Services

LYMPSTONE

8.00 am Holy Communion
9.30 am JOURNEY service
5 pm Carols Around the Village

HOLY TRINITY

10.00 am Holy Communion
followed by fellowship in the Hall

LITTLEHAM

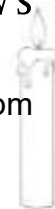
10.00 am AWAKE service
6.30 pm Nine Lessons & Carols

Service of Nine Lessons & Carols Holy Trinity Church EXMOUTH



Sunday 14th December at 6.30 pm
followed by mince pies & hot drinks.

Service of Nine Lessons & Carols ST MARGARET & ST ANDREW'S LITTLEHAM



Sunday 21st December at 6.30 pm
followed by mince pies &
mulled apple juice.

DON'T FORGET

The Coffee Bar at Holy Trinity is
open Mon - Sat from 10 - noon.

Come along for a Chat with Friends or
meet new ones. We also have books
and jigsaws for sale in our warm space
and the Coffee's cheaper too!!



THE MISSION COMMUNITY OFFICE

is open Mon, Tue, Wed, Fri 9.00 am - 2.30 pm
Thursdays 10 am—12.00 noon
(in-person visits between 10.00 am and 12.00 noon)

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The Link



between the people of the
Littleham+Holy Trinity, Exmouth+Lymington

Mission Community

Third Sunday of Advent 14th December 2025

OUR VISION AS A MISSION COMMUNITY IS TO:

- grow in prayer
- help others become disciples of Jesus Christ
- serve the people of Exmouth and Lymington with joy

TODAY'S SERVICES

LYMPSTONE

8.00 am Morning Prayer
9.30 am Holy Communion

HOLY TRINITY

10.00 am Family Holy Communion
followed by fellowship in the Hall
6.30 pm Nine Lessons & Carols

LITTLEHAM

10.00 am Holy Communion
5.30 pm Carols in the Churchyard

WE WANT TO HELP YOU...

....*hear the service* - we have a **LOOP SYSTEM**.
Please set your hearing aid to the T position.

....*follow the service* - **LARGE PRINT**
Service books are available.
Please ask a sides person.

.....*receive Holy Communion* -
GLUTEN FREE WAFERS are available at our
communion services. Please make your needs
known to a sides person.

This Sunday's Collect and Readings Year A

Introduction and Call to Worship

Today we think about those who speak and work on the basis of a firm foundation, instead of creating confusion and distracting others with false information.

Our Mission Community Prayer

Heavenly Father,

As we meet in your presence,
hold us together in our Mission Community.
May your church grow as we deepen
our love for you and our service to others.
Help us always to remember,
though we are many,
we are one body,
as we all share in you,
our one God.
Amen

Collect

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the
light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you
in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

First Reading Isaiah 35:1-10

The ransomed of the Lord will return to Zion. The desert will sing, those who are blind will see and deaf people will hear. Everlasting joy will be upon the ransomed of the Lord.

Second Reading James 5:7-10

We are called to show endurance, and to be patient until the coming of the Lord.

Gospel Matthew 11:2-11

John sends word by his disciples, asking if Jesus is the one who is to come. Jesus tells them to go and say what they hear and see. Addressing the crowd, he explains that John is more than just a prophet.

Online services this Sunday around the United Kingdom

If you would like to see what the C of E has to offer in the way of Sunday Worship, paste this link into your browser and see what is available.
<https://www.churchofengland.org/prayer-and-worship/church-online/weekly-online-services>

**'Daily Hope' - It is back on 0345 6462206
And - it's FREE .**

Our Churches are open as follows:-

Lympstone: Mon-Sat: 9 am-6 pm.
Sun 7:30 am-6 pm.
Littleham: Monday - Friday 9 am - 4.30 pm
Holy Trinity: Mon - Sat 10 am - 12 noon

**The next mid week service will be a
Common Worship service at
Lympstone Parish Church on
Wednesday 17th December at 11.30 am**

**A Prayer Group meets on
Mondays at Holy Trinity Church ,
at 9.00 am.
Wednesday 9 am prayers at Littleham**

Quiet Prayer is held at Lympstone Church
11.30 am every Wednesday
(unless there is a Eucharist Service)
Community Prayer at Lympstone Church
4 - 5 pm every Thursday

Post Communion

We give you thanks, O Lord, for these
heavenly gifts;
kindle in us the fire of your Spirit
that when your Christ comes again
we may shine as lights before his face;
who is alive and reigns now and for ever.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Do take a look at the readings below and let the Holy Spirit guide you through the word of God as you prepare for next Sunday's worship.

Isaiah 7: 10 - 16, Romans 1: 1 - 7
Matthew 1: 18 - end

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

For Sunday & Midweek Services please see December Net, p. 2

M	15	Prayer Meeting	HT Coffee Bar	9 am
		Schools Christmas Tree Decorating	Holy Trinity	9 am – 3 pm
		Christmas Tree Festival	Holy Trinity	5 – 7 pm
		Rainbows	HT Hall	5.30 – 7 pm
		Next Gen. Youth Party	HT Den	6 – 7.30 pm
		9 Lessons & Carols	Lympstone	7 pm
T	16	0-5s	HT Hall	10 – 11.30 am
		Kingdom Club	Lympstone	3.30 – 4.30
		Christmas Tree Festival	Holy Trinity	5 – 7 pm
		Brownies	HT Hall	5.30 – 7.15 pm
		Choir Rehearsal	Lympstone	6.30 – 7.30
		Bell ringing Practice	Littleham	7 – 8.15 pm
W	17	Wednesday Prayers	Littleham	9 am
		School Christmas Service	Littleham	2 pm
		Christmas Tree Festival	Holy Trinity	5 – 7 pm
Th	18	School End of Term Worship	Holy Trinity	9 am
		Julian Group	HT Lady Chapel	11 am
		Mother's Union	HT Coffee Bar	2 – 4 pm
		Community Prayer	Lympstone	4 – 5 pm
F	19	Tick Tock	Lympstone	9 – 11 am
		0-5s	HT Hall	10 – 11.30 am
		School Christmas Service	Lympstone	2.30 pm
		Choir Rehearsal	Holy Trinity	6.15 pm
Sa	20	Flower Guild Greenery	Littleham	10 am
Su	21	Carols around the village	Lympstone	5 pm
		9 Lessons & Carols	Littleham	6.30 pm
M	22	Celebrate Exmouth!	Holy Trinity	6 pm
		The Gateway Club & Exmouth Town Band		

PLEASE PRAY FOR

As schools break up for the Christmas holidays, we pray for pupils and staff, that this break would be a time of rest and restoration. We give thanks for churches across Devon that will be hosting activities over Christmas and pray that children and young people attending would know more of who you are.