

GODREY TEAM CONTACTS

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COPPERHOUSE COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Phillack Church Memorial Hall.

Copperhouse, Hayle. **Thursdays**

11.30-2.30pm. All welcome - every Thursday we serve a variety of soups & sandwiches. Hot and cold drinks and cakes are also available.

GWITHIAN CREAM TEAS

Cream Tea afternoons in Gwithian church hall each Wednesday in August from 2pm until 5pm.

Friday warm space Craft Group at Gwithian is now breaking for Summer and will resume on Friday 11 September from 1pm until 3pm.

BELL RINGING

Gwinear

Practice evenings 1st Tuesday of every month. 7.30 to 9pm. Contact Kevin Green kevingreen100@yahoo.com

St Erth

Practice is each Wednesday at 7pm. Do come along if you're interested in seeing what goes on. Contact Lindsay (lindsay@tolroy.com).

Summer Prayers at Gilbert's Beach Bar, North Quay at 10am on Mondays,

If you've not been before why not give it a try, it's a lovely time of prayer & fellowship.

Daily Morning Prayers 9.00 to 9.30am

"This is a wonderful way to start the day"

We use a printed Morning Prayer Sheet and pray for the future of our churches,

The town and the needs of the world.

It's also an opportunity to be visible presence and to welcome visitors.

We meet:

Mondays - St Elwyn's

Tuesdays - Phillack

Wednesdays - Gwinear

Thursdays - St Erth

Fridays - Gwithian
With Blessings, Michelle

ST ERTH CREAM TEA

From 2pm 31 August—Bank Holiday Monday at St Erth Church Hall.

COACH OUTINGS

5 December Exeter Shopping/Christmas Market **Cost £30**

19 June 2027 Cost £45

Totnes; Steam Train to Buckfastleigh followed by a visit to Buckfast Abbey.
Details to follow. Subject to demand!

SONGS OF PRAISE

GWITHIAN METHODIST CHAPEL

behind The Red River Inn, TR27 5BX
Sunday 23 August 2026

Come along and sing your favourite traditional hymns together in this special place of fellowship at the heart of Gwithian Village since 1810

3-4.30 pm followed by tea
Contributions to Gwithian Chapel gratefully received
RSVP Lavinia 07713 400 071
lavinia@godrevy.net



The Godrevy Team Ministry

The Parishes of Phillack with Gwithian, Gwinear, St Erth and Hayle St Elwyn

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Reflection

If you read through the gospels you discover that Jesus spent nearly all his time with Jewish people. In our Gospel reading he encounters a gentile, a Canaanite woman who wants him to heal her daughter. The reception she gets from Jesus couldn't be more discouraging. Matthew tells us Jesus "did not answer her a word". Finally she kneels in front of Jesus and asks again for his help. This time she gets an answer but it can hardly have been the one she wanted. "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." But still the woman does not give up. "Even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters table." And then everything changes. "Woman, great is your faith. Let it be done for

you as you wish. And her daughter was healed instantly. So what's going on here? I'd like to suggest that Jesus wants to establish whether or not he's being addressed by a person of faith. And he does establish that. "Woman, great is your faith." and having established that, it's open for him to perform a work of healing. Sometimes we can feel discouraged when our prayers don't seem to be answered. Maybe there are occasions when, like the women in our gospel reading, we just have to persevere in faith and wait for the answer to come.

May God grant us all a patient faith in our times of waiting.

Clive

Sunday 16 August

**The Eleventh Sunday
after Trinity**

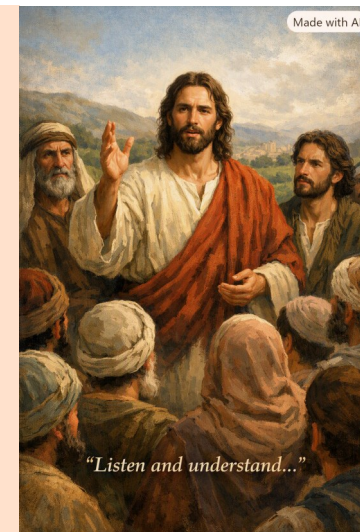
9.30am Phillack Holy Communion

11am Gwithian Come as You Are

11am Gwinear Service of the Word

4pm St Elwyn's Evensong

9.30am St Erth Holy Communion



Please take this pew sheet away with you and recycle when finished.

Collect—*The special prayer for the day*
God of glory,
the end of our searching,
help us to lay aside
all that prevents us from seeking your
kingdom,
and to give all that we have
to gain the pearl beyond all price,
through our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen

1st Reading: Genesis 45.1–15

Then Joseph could no longer control himself before all those who stood by him, and he cried out, 'Send everyone away from me.' So no one stayed with him when Joseph made himself known to his brothers. And he wept so loudly that the Egyptians heard it, and the household of Pharaoh heard it. Joseph said to his brothers, 'I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?' But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence.

Then Joseph said to his brothers, 'Come closer to me.' And they came closer. He said, 'I am your brother Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither ploughing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty." And now your eyes and the

eyes of my brother Benjamin see that it is my own mouth that speaks to you. You must tell my father how greatly I am honoured in Egypt, and all that you have seen. Hurry and bring my father down here.' Then he fell upon his brother Benjamin's neck and wept, while Benjamin wept upon his neck. And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

2nd Reading:
Romans 11.1–2a, 29–32

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Gospel: Matthew 15.[10–20] 21–28
Glory to you, O Lord

[Then he called the crowd to him and said to them, 'Listen and understand: it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles.' Then the disciples approached and said to him, 'Do you know that the Pharisees took offence when they heard what you said?' He answered, 'Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit.' But Peter said to him, 'Explain this parable to us.' Then he said, 'Are you also still without understanding? Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. These are what defile

a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile.']

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, 'Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon.' But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, 'Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us.' He answered, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.' But she came and knelt before him, saying, 'Lord, help me.' He answered, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs.' She said, 'Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.' And her daughter was healed instantly.

Praise to you, O Christ

Post Communion

Lord of all mercy,
we your faithful people have
celebrated that one true sacrifice
which takes away our sins and brings
pardon and peace:
by our communion
keep us firm on the foundation of the
gospel
and preserve us from all sin;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

GWINEAR CHURCH

Open all day, every day.

GWITHIAN CHURCH

Open all day, every day.

PHILLACK CHURCH

Phillack Church is open every day from 9am to 4pm.

MUSIC AT ST ELWYN'S CHURCH

Thursday Lunchtimes 12.30–1.15pm

Admission Free

Donations gladly accepted which will go towards the upkeep of this wonderful church

August

20: Liz Chivers & Karen Abbott;

Contralto & Mezzo Soprano

27: Philip Dyson; Piano

Saturday Evening 7.30pm Concerts

Saturday 22 August • 7:30pm

Opera at St Elwyn's!

A night of passionate operatic favourites

Saturday 29 August • 7:30pm

An Evening of Piano & Classical Guitar

"Say it with Flowers" Friday August 28 to Sunday August 30.

A Celebration of Flowers at Phillack Church.

Refreshments will be served throughout the event

For more details, please contact:

Eileen West: Telephone: 07940 296186

Come and celebrate the beauty, memories, and inspiration that flowers bring to our lives.

August Services

Sunday 23 August

4pm Phillack Café

11am Gwithian Holy Communion

11am Gwinear Holy Communion

9.30am St Elwyn's Eucharist

9.30am St Erth Holy Communion

Sunday 30 August All Together Team Service at St Erth.

AUTUMN DATES for DIARY !!

VISION SUNDAY - BISHOP DAVID visit

St Elwyn's on 27 September 11am

We are delighted that + David will be presiding & preaching at our All Together Service followed by a Bring & Share lunch

More information to Follow

ADVENT WEEKEND together

Away Day -Saturday **28 November**

9.30-4 pm

(Venue TBC)

All Together Service - Sunday

29 November 11am

More information to follow.