



# Welcome

**Sunday 22nd September 2024  
Seventeenth Sunday After Trinity (Proper 20)**

**Today's Collect** - Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you: pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself, and so bring us at last to your heavenly city where we shall see you face to face; 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**

<b>Readings Sunday</b>	<b>Proverbs 31: 10-end</b>	<b>James 3: 13-4.3,7-8a</b>	<b>Mark 9: 30-37</b>
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## Church Services and other Activities until Sunday 13th October 2024

Sunday 22nd	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Harvest Festival</b>	<b>Moreton</b>
	11.00am	Celtic Morning Prayer	Lustleigh
	6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)	Manaton
Monday 23rd	6.30pm	Confirmation Class, The Rectory	Moreton
Wednesday 25th	9.30am	Day Trippers, (Weave Session)	Moreton
	7.30pm	Lustleigh Society Meeting, Hall	Lustleigh
Friday 27th	10.00am	Friendly Friday, Union Inn	Moreton
<b>Saturday 28th</b>	<b>9.30am</b>	<b>Vision Morning, Village Hall</b>	<b>Manaton</b>
	10.00am	Parish Council Coffee Morning	Moreton
Sunday 29th Sept	11.00am	<b>Group United Holy Communion</b>	Moreton
Monday 30th Sept	6.30pm	Confirmation Class, The Rectory	Moreton
Tuesday 1st Oct	9.30am	Prayer Meeting, Twyneo	Lustleigh
	9.30am	Day Trippers, (Ten Pin Bowling)	Moreton
Friday 4th Oct	10.00am	Friendly Friday, Union Inn	Moreton
Sunday 6th October	9.30am	Morning Worship	Moreton
	11.00am	Morning Prayer	Lustleigh
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Manaton
Monday 7th	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Harvest Festival</b>	<b>North Bovey</b>
	6.30pm	Confirmation Class, The Rectory	Moreton
Saturday 12th	11.30am	Two Moors Festival, St Michaels	Chagford
	7.30pm	Barn Dance, Neadon Barn	Manaton
Sunday 13th Oct	9.30am	Holy Communion	Moreton
	11.00am	Holy Communion	Lustleigh
	11.00am	All Age Service	Manaton

**VISION MORNING on Saturday 28th from 9.30am. All welcome, please mention to your church warden of you are going to attend!**

*All Churches in the group (Moreton, Manaton, Lustleigh and North Bovey) are open for private prayer from 10am until 4.00pm. Online services are available on the Exeter Cathedral website.*

**Prayers for the week** - Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life: deliver us from unbelief and banish our anxieties with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Lord, we pray** that your grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

**Old Testament Reading The Seventeenth Sunday of Trinity - Proverbs 31: 10-end**

A capable wife who can find? She is far more precious than jewels. The heart of her husband trusts in her, and he will have no lack of gain. She does him good, and not harm, all the days of her life. She seeks wool and flax, and works with willing hands.

She is like the ships of the merchant, she brings her food from far away. She rises while it is still night and provides food for her household and tasks for her servant-girls.

She considers a field and buys it; with the fruit of her hands she plants a vineyard. She girds herself with strength, and makes her arms strong. She perceives that her merchandise is profitable. Her lamp does not go out at night.

She puts her hands to the distaff, and her hands hold the spindle. She opens her hand to the poor, and reaches out her hands to the needy. She is not afraid for her household when it snows, for all her household are clothed in crimson. She makes herself coverings; her clothing is fine linen and purple.

Her husband is known in the city gates, taking his seat among the elders of the land.

She makes linen garments and sells them; she supplies the merchant with sashes. Strength and dignity are her clothing, and she laughs at the time to come. She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue. She looks well to the ways of her household, and does not eat the bread of idleness. Her children rise up and call her happy; her husband too, and he praises her:

'Many women have done excellently, but you surpass them all.' Charm is deceitful, and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised. Give her a share in the fruit of her hands, and let her works praise her in the city gates

**Epistle Reading The Seventeenth Sunday of Trinity - James 3: 13-4.3,7-8a**

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the

truth. Such wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly, unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded.

**Gospel Reading The Seventeenth Sunday of Trinity - Mark 9: 30-37**

They went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, 'The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the way?' But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another about who was the greatest. He sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, 'Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.' Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, 'Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

**CONFIRMATION** - We are holding a Confirmation Service at St Andrew's, Moretonhampstead on **Sunday 24th November** at 11 am

Classes for candidates will be held on Monday evenings 6.30 pm–8 pm for six weeks from 23rd September. The classes will be following Faith Confirmed. The sessions will be:

Mon 23rd Sept – God

Mon 30th Sept – Jesus: Life & Ministry

Mon 7th Oct – Jesus: Death & Resurrection

Mon 14th Oct – The Holy Spirit

Mon 21st Oct – The Church

Mon 28th Oct –What Is Confirmation?

These will be held at The Rectory in Moretonhampstead