



Portishead Church of England
Growing & Going in God's Love

Sunday 19th October – Trinity 18

This week's readings are:

Jeremiah 29.1, 4-7; 2 Timothy 2.8-15; Luke 17.11-19

8.00am Holy Communion at St Peter's Church

9.15am for 9.30am Café Church at St Nicholas' Church

9.45am The 9.45 Special at St Peter's Church

11.15am Café Church with The URC at St Nicholas' Church

11.30am Parish Eucharist at St Peter's Church

1.45pm Baptism at St Peter's Church

6.00pm Evensong at St Peter's Church

To join the 9.45am Live Stream,

please visit: <https://www.youtube.com/live/6VlynUp0K5A?si=ZzF2dt0bPWjE45ju>

We depend on the regular faithful giving of the church family to continue our mission and ministry to Portishead and maintain our church buildings. If you do not already do so please prayerfully consider giving regularly to the church – no matter how small the sum you can afford.

Visit www.portisheadparish.co.uk/welcome#Giving for more information of how to do this.

Please think of God's creation when coming to church; walk or cycle if you can or consider car-sharing. If there is anything that we can do to make worship or information about what we do more accessible please speak to one of the clergy or call Rachel in the office on 846230 / office@portisheadparish.co.uk

Parish Calendar for the Week Ahead:

Mon 20th October	7.15am	Mission Prayer - https://teams.live.com/join/9399632380155?p=x10GS1guFQs7vCocPK
	7.30pm	Ethics Forum at St Peter's Church
Tues 21st October	9.00am	Refresh Parent, Baby and Toddler Group at St Peter's Church
	9.00am	Morning Prayer via Zoom https://bit.ly/WednesdayMorningPrayer
Weds 22nd October	10.30am	Midweek Communion at St Peter's Church
	10.40am	Midweek Church Coffee via Zoom https://bit.ly/3RybNnJ
	2.00pm	Lighthouse Café at St Nicholas' Church
	2.30pm	Mothers' Union at St Peter's Church
	7.30pm	PCC Vision Group at St Peter's Church

Next week's services:

Sunday 26th October – Bible Sunday

Isaiah 45.22-end; Romans 15.1-6; Luke 4.16-24

9.30am Parish Eucharist at St Nicholas' Church

9.45am The 9.45 with Communion at St Peter's Church

11.30am Parish Eucharist at St Peter's Church

Our Prayers



Those in need Eva Pickard, John Massey, Anne Lewins, Peter Finch, Mary Powell, Judith, Irene Flockhart, Charmaine Cornish, Sam Edwards, Ann Field, Margaret Carey, Pat Jouxson, Maureen Noakes, Brenda Greenham

The departed Alan Longdon, Gillian Jones

Wanted: Church Administrator for Portishead Church of England

Do you love living in Portishead and would enjoy a job that is rooted locally and helps support out community?

Are you someone with the gift and experience of helping organisations run smoothly?

Do you thrive on variety and flexibility in your work patterns?

Portishead Church of England is looking for someone to join their friendly and welcoming team to help with the administration and communication side of the church's ministry.

The role requires experience of working with Microsoft Office. The right candidate will enjoy the diverse challenges of taking initiative, working with others and communicating across a variety of media.

This is a part-time role based in our Church Office in Portishead. We are open to consider flexible working patterns including the possibility for some of the work being done at home. For more information and to request an application form, contact Rev Mark Fuller at

pilgrim@portisheadparish.co.uk or 07766310509 or visit the website. The closing date for this role

is 9.00am for the 27th October 2025. Interviews will be held on 5th & 7th November.

www.portisheadparish.co.uk/administrator%20-%20vacancy

Portishead Church of England is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. All post holders and volunteers are expected to share this commitment.

Miss Alexandra Hilda Betty Ferriman

Betty celebrates her 100th birthday on Saturday 25th October. We are all delighted that she will reach this milestone. She is in good health despite problems with her sight. – Andrew Curtis

An Auction of Goods and Promises – Saturday 18th October – 7pm - St Peter's Church

YOU R I N V I T E D !

An Auction of Promises

AN EVENING OF GENEROSITY, LAUGHTER AND FRIENDLY BIDDING.
MEMBERS OF OUR COMMUNITY HAVE PLEDGED THEIR TIME,
TALENTS AND TREATS - AND YOU CAN BID FOR THEM!
FROM HANDMADE GIFTS TO PRACTICAL HELP, FROM SPECIAL
EXPERIENCES TO LITTLE LUXURIES - THERE'S SOMETHING FOR
EVERYONE!

PROMISES INCLUDE

PADDLE BOARDING LESSONS
DRIVING LESSONS
FULL BIKE SERVICE WORTH £100
PILATES SESSION
& SO MUCH MORE!

ST PETER'S CHURCH,
PORTISHEAD
BRING YOUR OWN DRINKS
NIBBLES PROVIDED

EVENT BEGINS
7PM



SAT 18TH OCTOBER | FREE ENTRY

	AUCTION OF GOODS AND PROMISES
LOT	ITEM
1	2 hours of Gardening/Autumn clear up
2	Bespoke (8 inch) Sponge Celebration Cake x 2
3	<i>70cl bottle of 10 yr old Single Malt Whisky from Isle of Jura - in presentation box</i>
4	Return trip to Bristol Harbourside for a 2.5 hour Paddleboarding or Kayaking session for the over 50s provided by All Aboard Watersports charity. No previous experience required, all equipment provided and an expert on the water with us. Currently on Fridays 1-3.30pm
5	Caravan in Bigbury sleeps 4 - 6. Mon - Fri or Fri - Mon (£60 cleaning charge)
6	Sewing - make a Tie Top - bring your own sewing machine and fabric (max 4 people)
7	Full bike service (excluding parts) worth £100
8	<i>Meal for 2 at Searock on the Marina (donator to accompany)</i>
9	Professional Career Coaching Session 45 minutes
10	Cover a Cushion for Christmas - bring your own pad and material - 3 half day sessions (max 5 people)
11	A day to help you with some DeCluttering - an extra pair of hands and practical solutions
12	Introductory Clarinet Lessons 3 x 30 minutes & the loan of a clarinet for 3 months
13	Sailing Trip out of Falmouth for 4 people - details of boat to follow
14	Framed Print Claude Monet titled 'Dans les Blès à Pourville' It measures 90cms X 70 cms and has a hanging on the back (picture available)
15	<i>I will cook a meal for 6 people either in your own home or in my home</i>
16	Set of 4 or 6 Beautifully Handcrafted Sustainable Christmas Crackers in a fabric of your choice
17	Paint A Room for you
18	How to incorporate Edibles into your Ornamental garden - advice visit and follow up recommendations
19	Research your family history using Ancestry, Know Your Place & Newspapers online, and build your family tree - 3 x 1 hour sessions
20	Introduction to Pickleball for Novices (max 3 people)
21	<i>Crochet Workshop for novices - Saturday 15th November 10.30am - 1.00pm - (max 6 people)</i>
22	Cream Tea for 2 with transport - mystery destination
23	A Sports Massage or Osteopathy Treatment 30 minutes
24	Victorian Sapphire & Gold Necklace with 18 carat chain - (picture available)
25	Sewing - make a Gypsy Skirt - bring your own sewing machine and fabric (max 4 people)
26	Bicycle Service https://www.happybicyclemechanic.co.uk/
27	1-2-1 Kettle Bells Session
28	Afternoon Tea (max 6 people)

29	A half day to help you to plan your Christmas Shopping - practical tips and suggestions
30	Bird Watching experience (can take 2 cars max 6 people)
31	Paddleboarding lesson for 2 people
<i>32</i>	<i>Introduction to Basic Sewing Skills (ie Taking up a hem) (max 5 people)</i>
<i>33</i>	<i>A game of tennis - refresher - (3 people)</i>
34	2 Driving Lessons (worth £90)
<i>35</i>	<i>Bottle of FreddyB Posset Gin</i>
<i>36</i>	<i>2 Hours learning & playing the board game Splendor (2 - 3 people)</i>
37	A 45 minute Pilates Session in The Folk Hall (in a group)
38	Professional Career Coaching Session 45 minutes
<i>39</i>	<i>Android Phone or Computer Tech Support</i>
<i>40</i>	<i>A Baby Sitting Session</i>
<i>41</i>	<i>2 Sauna Sessions, each for two people</i>
<i>42</i>	<i>A Trio of Homemade Jam - loganberry, raspberry and plum</i>
43	Golf Lesson with Ryan Crowley - The Professional at Clevedon Golf Club
<i>44</i>	<i>Framed Watercolour of Mariner's Path, Portishead</i>
<i>45</i>	<i>Get your car washed in the carpark behind Willow Gardens - more info on the evening</i>
<i>46</i>	<i>12 beautifully presented jars of quince jelly (homemade) for sale on the evening</i>
<i>47</i>	<i>White Grapevine ready to plant - plus Instruction Book</i>
<i>48</i>	<i>Treasures from a Bishop's Desktop - auctioned individually, view on the evening</i>

Those in green are in addition to the list of sealed bids. As before, huge thanks to all who have donated. Now, can we get lots of bidders to church ready for 7pm on Saturday 18 October?

Pastoral Care

Revd Tonya will be loitering most weeks in a café in Portishead. Should you have something Pastoral you'd like to discuss or just to say hello, why not drop by.

Dates & Time for October: Weds 22nd - All 10.15am – 11.45am

Venue: The Port, 3 The Precinct, Bristol BS20 6AH

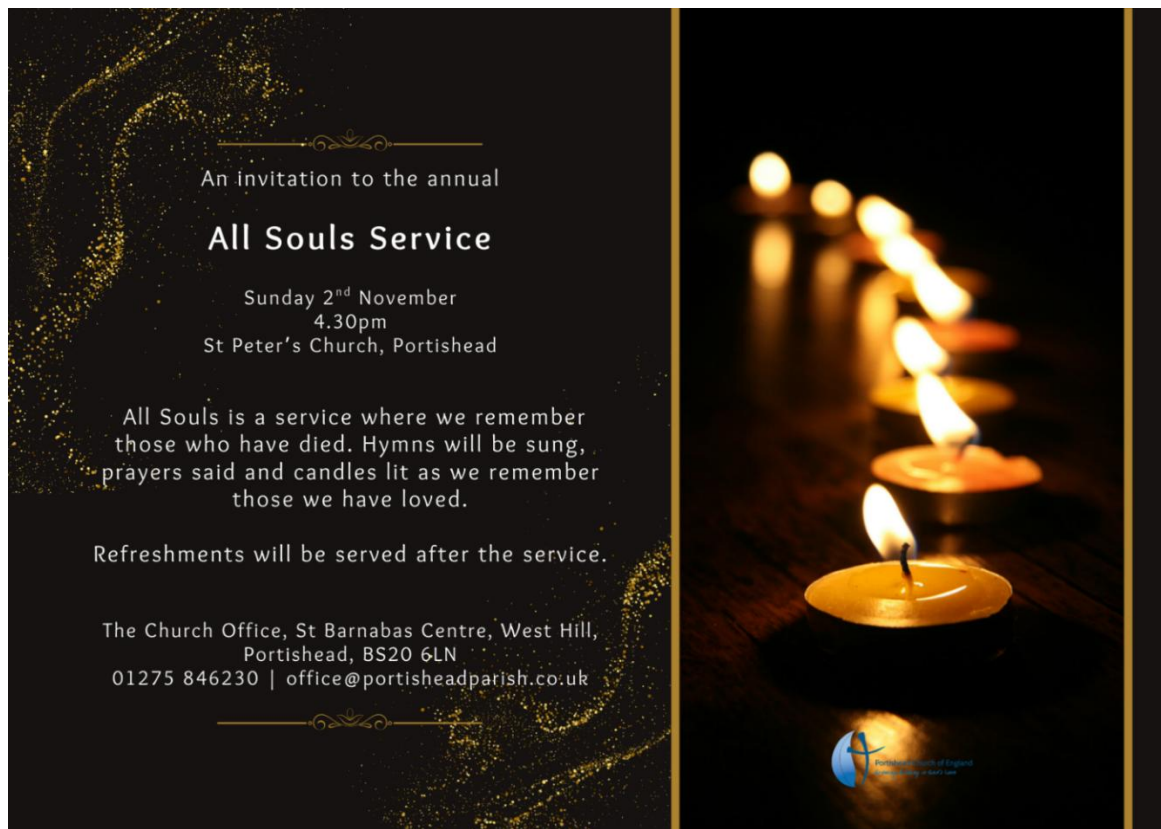
Or you could contact her on 01275 840016 / 07341328682 – pastorportishead@outlook.com

Cleaning at St Nicholas' Church

St Nicholas' will be having a clean-up day on the 11th October, with Diane cleaning the walls and glass inside. They will both be 10am – 12pm. Please do come and help. Tea and Coffee will be provided.

All Souls Service

If you would like to add a name of a loved one to the list of names being read out during the annual All Souls Service, please contact the Church Office by 21st October on 01275 846230 or office@portisheadparish.co.uk. Lists will be available in both churches too.



9.45 Special – St Peter's Church

Sunday 19th October

Join us for an informal, creative service which includes an interactive craft activity for everyone to enjoy. Tea and toast served from 9.30am, service begins at 9.45am. Bring your friends, bring the family – there's a place for you here.

Martha's Kitchen at Impero Lounge

Volunteers from Martha's Kitchen will be in the Impero Lounge on the following Tuesdays. Children can stop by on their way to school for a FREE breakfast of cereals and toast, while parents can enjoy an early morning coffee and chat. They will also be available to issue foodbank vouchers and lunch bag vouchers at The Impero Lounge, Portishead High Street. Date & Time: Tues 14th Oct,

Tues 21st Oct – all 8.30am until 9.30am. Rev'd Lindsay: 07483932608 –

pioneer@portisheadparish.co.uk



Gregory Steward Returns!

Gregory Steward is returning to perform again at St Nicholas' Church on the 15th November, 3.00pm – 5.30pm.

Tickets cost just £12.00 and can be purchased from the Church Office or by contacting Kathryn Phillips on 07834097595.

Under 18's go free and refreshments will be provided.

Heatree Weekend 8th – 10th May 2026

We're excited to be planning another fun and relaxed weekend away in 2026 to Heatree Activity Centre. Heatree is a Christian outdoor residential centre based in the beautiful surroundings of Dartmoor National Park in Devon. Expect a welcoming atmosphere, time to connect, optional outdoor activities, shared meals

(cooking and washing up!), gentle spiritual rhythms, and Messy Church-style worship. No pressure, just community and fun! The cost is £64 per adult, £44 per child with under 4s free. For further details you download the letter from our website: <https://www.portisheadparish.co.uk/heatree-weekend-2026> - contact Mark for more information.

Looking for a fresh rhythm of prayer?

Take a moment to slow down and connect with God in a simple and weekly rhythm of contemplative prayer. Join us on Zoom every Monday at 9pm for a short time of reflective night prayer using the Examen, and Thursday mornings at 6.45am to begin the day in stillness and attentiveness to God. These gatherings (just 10 minutes long) create space to breathe, reflect and be reminded of God's presence in the ordinary and extraordinary moments of our lives.

Speak to Mark for more info.

Monday evenings Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84609538552?pwd=kwc9diOCannaGpBWVrb304TkIflm.1>

Thursday morning's Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84759214937?pwd=4iTyAVJmcOtAd5zam1TLyjozq3YTUe.1>



The poster for 'A Musical Evening with Professional Tenor Gregory Steward' features a central portrait of Gregory Steward in a tuxedo. The background is dark blue with musical notes and instruments. Text on the poster includes: 'A Musical Evening with Professional Tenor Gregory Steward', 'SATURDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 3.00PM - 5.30PM', 'St Nicholas' Church Nore Road, BS20 8EN', 'Ticket cost: £12.00 U18s go free. Refreshments provided.', 'Featuring classical favourites such as: *Nessum Dorma* and *O Sole Mio*.', 'Along with popular songs from Musicals such as *Carousel*, *South Pacific* & *Les Misérables*.' There are also small images of musical score covers for 'South Pacific', 'Carousel', and 'Les Misérables'.

Shoebox Appeal 2025

Shoebox time is here again! Fill a box with 'goodies' such as toothpaste and soap, to send as a Christmas gift to Eastern Europe. If you can't manage to get all the items. Please join with a friend – we have been asked not to donate part-boxes this year.

All the information you need is in the leaflet (In church or in Alison's porch). Boxes preferably to my porch at 55 Woodhill Road, or to St Peter's by 26th October please. There will be a few spare shoeboxes in St Peter's porch. If you have a spare shoebox, do pop it in the church porch or in Alison's, if you need a box please take a spare. Thank you - Alison – 01275 849775

Ethics Forum – Social Media, Self Esteem and Mental Wellbeing

Monday 20th October, 7.30pm at St Peter's Church

We are delighted to welcome **Katharine Hill, a Director of Care for the Family**, to lead the session. Smartphones, Snapchat, TikTok, gaming, AI... Technology forms the backdrop to our lives – there are many advantages but also huge challenges.

Discover how to keep young people safe online, while forging good habits ourselves. Learn how to shape our digital lives so they don't shape us! Katharine Hill is a Director of Care for the Family, a national charity which aims to strengthen family life and help those who face family difficulties. She is the author of several books, including the popular "*Left to their own Devices?*

Confident parenting in a digital world" and "*A Mind of Their Own – building your child's emotional wellbeing in a fast changing world*". All are welcome, no tickets needed. Admission is free but donations are welcome etc cover costs and to support the work of Care for the Family (suggested donation £5). We also plan to livestream the forum to the church's YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/live/yvU7h88GnDI> - Contact David on 01275 840245 or David.tyers@gmail.com for further information.

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