



## Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022 - Epiphany 3

### SUNDAY SERVICES

#### Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup>

8:00am	Early Eucharist (Winterslow, St John's)
9:15am	Parish Eucharist (Winterslow, All Saints)
11:00am	Parish Eucharist (Pitton, St Peter's)
6:00pm	BCP Evensong (Farley, All Saints)

### NEXT SUNDAY

#### Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> - Candlemas

10:00am	Team Service (West Grimstead)
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### FOR YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Please pray for those who are sick including:

**Max Parker, Amanda Dixon, Tren Torode,  
Natalie Moss. & Sheila Thompson**

And pray for the family and friends of those who have recently died

**Iris Stowell, Revd Andrew Williams, Steve Dymott**

Please contact Cynthia, Simon or the Office  
if you would like someone prayed for.



Face coverings are required during our  
church services.  
"Let's all stay safe."



Next Week

### Team Service

Next week we all meet as joint  
congregations at West Grimstead church as  
we celebrate the feast of Candlemas.  
If you have never visited West Grimstead  
church this is a great time to join us.

**10:00am Special Communion Service**



### Message from Revd Ruth:

Hello, and greetings to everyone in the  
Clarendon churches. I'm really looking  
forward to moving to Alderbury, and getting  
to know you all.

I grew up near Portsmouth, and went to  
school in Southsea, before studying  
mechanical engineering at London  
University. I was sponsored by British Rail  
for my studies, and then worked for a  
manufacturer of rolling stock in Derby. In  
Derby I met John, also an engineer, and we married in 1989.

I sensed a vocation to ordained ministry in 2005, and studied at Sarum  
College on their part-time Theology for Ministry and Mission  
programme whilst working for Atkins in London. I was ordained in  
Portsmouth Cathedral in 2009, and have served in rural and suburban  
parishes since. I am very much looking forward to finding out with  
you what God is calling us to do in the villages of Alderbury, West  
Grimstead, East Grimstead and West Dean, and in the wider team and  
deanery.

John and I will be bringing our two rescue cats, Minnie and Charlie.  
Our children Helena and Ben are now grown up, and living in Austria  
and Canada respectively. John and I enjoy getting out into the  
countryside, on foot and on two wheels. We're looking forward to  
taking an active role in the community.



### THIS WEEK'S DIARY

#### Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup>

9:00am	Morning Prayer (Winterslow, All Saints)
9:15am	Informal Prayers (Pitton, St Peter's)
3:00pm	SORRY, NO Tea and Chatter (Pitton, St Peter's)

#### Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup>

9:00am	Morning Prayer (Winterslow, All Saints)
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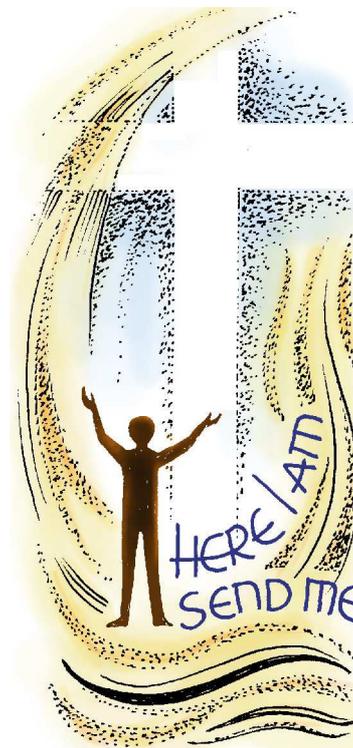
#### Thursday 27<sup>th</sup>

9:00am	Morning Prayer (Winterslow, All Saints)
7:30pm	Joint PCC Meeting (Team)

#### Friday 28<sup>th</sup>

9:00am	Morning Prayer (Winterslow, All Saints)
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PCC



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,  
because he has anointed me  
to bring good news  
to the poor'

Luke 4.14-21

### Live in Love

A Retreat from the commercialisation  
of St Valentine's Day  
Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2022 9.30am – 3pm  
The Quiet Garden at Lopcombe (A30)  
Escape from the Valentine's hype and spend  
some time in God's love. The day will include guided meditations,  
lunch and other refreshments, and a small take home gift;  
plus the opportunity for a one-one conversation  
with your host, Rev Vanessa Cole,  
Places are limited, to book yours call 0781 351 9092  
or email [priestwithoutportfolio@gmail.com](mailto:priestwithoutportfolio@gmail.com)  
£40 per person



# 23 January 2022 - Third Sunday of Epiphany

## The Collect

Almighty God,  
whose Son revealed in signs and miracles  
the wonder of your saving presence:  
renew your people with your heavenly grace,  
and in all our weakness  
sustain us by your mighty power;  
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.

## First Reading

*Nehemiah 8.1-3,5-6,8-10*

All the people gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the LORD had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law.

And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the LORD, the great God and all the people answered, 'Amen, Amen,' lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshipped the LORD with their faces to the ground.

So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, 'This day is holy to the LORD your God; do not mourn or weep.' For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, 'Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our LORD; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the LORD is your strength.'

## Second Reading

*1 Corinthians 12.12-31a*

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body - Jews or Greeks, slaves or free - and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, 'Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,' that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, 'Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,' that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single

member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, 'I have no need of you,' nor again the head to the feet, 'I have no need of you.' On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honourable we clothe with greater honour, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honour to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honoured, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

## Gospel

*Luke 4.14-21*

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,

because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,

to let the oppressed go free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

## Post Communion Prayer

Almighty Father,

whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ

is the light of the world:

may your people,

illuminated by your word and sacraments,

shine with the radiance of his glory,

that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed

to the ends of the earth;

for he is alive and reigns, now and for ever. Amen.