



Grapevine

The Sunday bulletin for Holy Trinity, Bradford on Avon

Sunday 11 October 2026
Trinity 19

Rooted – Growing – Fruitful
Life in all its fullness

*I have come that you may have life
and have it in all its fullness*

John 10.10

TODAY

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)

**09:30 In the Round - Mapping our Future
Together**

HYMNS AND MUSIC

**The details of all the readings, hymns and music are
provided within today's printed Order of Service.**

Thank you for all who joined our Come and Sing Evensong with guest director Simon Lole and our Director of Music, Martin Cooke, for what was a grace filled experience. Thank you for enabling the voices of so many.

TODAY

continued

COLLECT for TRINITY 19

Faithful Lord, whose steadfast love never ceases and whose mercies never come to an end: grant us the grace to trust you and to receive the gifts of your love, new every morning, in Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

LECTIONARY READINGS - Trinity 19

08:00 HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)

EPISTLE - Philippians 4. 1-9

Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honourable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

FIRST READING – Isaiah 25. 1-9

O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you, I will praise your name; for you have done wonderful things, plans formed of old, faithful and sure. For you have made the city a heap, the fortified city a ruin; the palace of aliens is a city no more, it will never be rebuilt. Therefore strong people will glorify you; cities of ruthless nations will fear you. For you have been a refuge to

the poor, a refuge to the needy in their distress, a shelter from the rainstorm and a shade from the heat. When the blast of the ruthless was like a winter rainstorm, the noise of aliens like heat in a dry place, you subdued the heat with the shade of clouds; the song of the ruthless was stilled.

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-matured wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-matured wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death for ever. Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the Lord has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the Lord for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

GOSPEL READING – Matthew 22. 1-14

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, “Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.” But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, maltreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, “The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.” Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

‘But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, “Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?” And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, “Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.” For many are called, but few are chosen.’

THIS WEEK: 11th OCTOBER - 18th OCTOBER

TUESDAY 13th OCTOBER

08:30 Morning Prayer

WEDNESDAY 14th OCTOBER

08:30 Morning Prayer

10:00 Holy Communion

THURSDAY 15th OCTOBER

08:30 Morning Prayer

SUNDAY SERVICES - OCTOBER

SUNDAY 18th OCTOBER (Luke, Apostle & Evangelist)

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)

09:30 Sung Eucharist

SUNDAY 25th OCTOBER (Dedication Festival)

08:00 Holy Communion (BCP)

09:30 Sung Eucharist with offering of our new MAP (Mission Action Plan)

NOTICES FOR THE GRAPEVINE

Please send requests for the new Grapevine *by Wednesday 12:00* to Annie at: beneficeoffice@htboa.org

PASTORAL NETWORK

In wanting to build our pastoral network if there is anyone who might like to explore pastoral visiting, pastoral reflection and even the possibility of training in due course, and being commissioned to serve as a Lay Pastoral Assistant, please do be in touch with Jenny.

CONFIRMATION AT HOLY TRINITY

If you would like to be confirmed by Bishop Robert at Holy Trinity on 17th January 2027, please be in touch with the Rector. Preparation begins this week.

KADUGLI NEWSLETTER:

Printed copies of the October 2026 newsletter are available on the Welcome Desk. Our Bradford Deanery supports the Diocese of Kadugli in Sudan. Kadugli is affected by war in Sudan and is in great need of support: both practical and in our prayers. If you would like to receive a digital copy via email please contact Joanna Harries, Holy Trinity Deanery Representative for Bradford Deanery Synod.

THANK YOU

Leo, Ali and Peter would like to thank everyone, especially Judy Shaw, who supported their recent coffee morning. They raised £210 towards the cost of attending the World Scout Jamboree in Poland next year.

THANK YOU

Chris Hodge would like to thank all who came to her birthday celebration and for the cards and good wishes she received, which made the day so special. 'We are so blessed to have such a warm congregation.'

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL

This year's Christmas Tree Festival dates are as follows – Set up on Sunday – Monday 6th & 7th December. During 8th - 13th the festival is open every day. We clear away on Monday 14th. I would very much appreciate your help to set up, steward, serve refreshments and clear away, so please put these dates in your diary. We will put volunteer lists on the Welcome Desk nearer the time. Many thanks, John Cox

CHURCH COMMUNITY

MAINLY MUSIC

Tuesdays at 10:30 – fun & friendship for pre-school families (contact Marlene on 864412 / marlene.haffenden@googlemail.com if you'd like to come along).

SAXON CLUB

Tuesdays at 14:30 – Fellowship and various activities for seniors.
Tuesday 13th October, Christopher Segar – 'A career in the Middle East; hot and dry.'

COMMUNITY CAFÉ

Wednesdays from 10:00 –12:00. Weekly community café – coffee/tea and biscuits will be provided on a donation basis.

FORGET-ME-NOT CAFÉ

Thursday 15th October – 11:00 –12:30. A friendly café for those living with dementia and their carers. Come and meet friends, enjoy music, have fun and chat. The café is run by Bradford on Avon Dementia Action Alliance.

FUTURE EVENTS

CANTORES AND CANTAMUS CHAMBER CHOIRS

A celebration of sacred choral masterpieces. Sunday 18th October, 15:00 in Holy Trinity. For more information and tickets please visit - cantamuschamberchoir.co.uk

MOTHERS' UNION

Wednesday 21st October, 14:30

TRINITY TOTS

Tuesday 27th October, 10:30 - 12:00

SAXON CHURCH OF ST LAURENCE

Compline on Wednesday 28th October, 20:00 in Holy Trinity.

THE REMEMBERING SERVICE AND ALL SOULS EUCHARIST

Sunday 1st November, 15:00 Remembering Service. Monday 2nd November, 10:00 All Souls Eucharist. Please record names on the sheets on the Welcome Desk.

PRAYER DIARY:

Loving God, in this National Week of Prayer, we pray for followers of Jesus in every denomination, congregation, Parish, school, workplace and home, as we seek your will together. Renew your Church, and awaken in our nation, Deanery and Benefice a deep love of you.

Compassionate God, in this Baby Loss Awareness Week we pray for all who have suffered the loss of a baby or child, and for all who carry the pain of that loss. Draw near to those who grieve, surround them with love, and help us to weep with those who weep. May they know your tender presence and the hope that one day you will wipe away every tear.

Generous God, we pray for the pupils, teachers and staff of St Laurence School, The Mead School in Wingfield, and Westwood and Iford Primary School. Bless their learning, friendships and work, and give wisdom, patience and courage to all who teach and care for them.

Loving God, we pray for those who are frail, elderly, housebound, lonely or vulnerable, and for those who care for them. Give them strength and peace, surround them with friendship, love and practical support. May they know your presence and love each day.

Amen.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for all who are sick, remembering especially: Tony Bruun, Mary Dawson, Celia Milne, Alison Penny, Geneviève Roberts, Edward Shaw, Malcolm Walsh, James Wright, Tony Haffenden, Ken Holloway, Janet Lywood, Sue Lavis, Mavis Linstrum & Candice Wong

We also pray for those who have recently died, and all who mourn them: Mervyn James 'Jim' Page

And we also pray for all those whose anniversary of death is at this time, especially: Maud 'Vickey' Osborne & Richard Parsley

Please let Revd Jenny, Marlene Haffenden (LPA) and Graham Dove (LLM) know of any pastoral need, including prayer.

SAFEGUARDING

The Benefice of Bradford on Avon Holy Trinity, Westwood and Wingfield takes its responsibilities surrounding the safeguarding of children, young people, and adults who may be at risk, very seriously. We work in partnership with the Diocese of Salisbury to ensure that we work in accordance with best practices at all times.

If you have any Safeguarding concerns please speak to the clergy or our Benefice Safeguarding Officer: **Andrea Unwin** – Tel: 07553161654 Email: safeguarding@htboa.org Advice is also available from: safeguarding@salisbury.anglican.org. To speak to a caseworker, or the Diocesan Safeguarding Advisor 01722 438651, option 3

MAPPING OUR FUTURE TOGETHER

Questionnaire Feedback and Group Sessions

Group Sessions

Following this morning's service there are group sessions from 10.30am to 11.30am. Everyone is warmly welcome to attend. You should have

collected a coloured card on your way into church this morning which is linked to the groups.

We will begin with an introduction from Jenny, followed by four discussion groups, each led by a pair of group leaders:

- 1) Rooted in Christ: Paul and Christina Barnes
- 2) Growing in Faith: Simon and Jo Walker
- 3) Fruitful in Love: Alain Cozens and Diane Rees
- 4) Resourcing God's Calling: Andrew Morgan and Clive Adamson

Your groups will provide an opportunity for all to share their thoughts, ideas and reflections arising from the questionnaire and any other thoughts you have.

Following the group discussion part of the session, we will come together for a plenary, chaired by Jenny, where key thoughts and themes emerging from your groups will be shared. Feedback from the questionnaires will be relayed by group leaders and also following the Dedication Service on 25th October

Your contributions, along with questionnaire feedback will together create our Mission Action Plan, in time for the Dedication Service.

The Feast of Dedication is our annual service celebrating the life of the church, making it a fitting occasion to dedicate the new MAP, when we look forward together to begin the next chapter of our shared ministry and mission.

Everyone is encouraged to come along, take part and share in shaping our future together.

Thank you for our partnership in the gospel.

Jenny

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