

Coming soon

Sun 16 Dec: 11.15 Carol Service, BRANSCOMBE

Sun 16 Dec: 3.30 Carols and crib, **COLYFORD**

Sun 16 Dec: 5.00 Carol service, MUSBURY

Wed 19 Dec: 10-12 Café St Michael, Coffee, cakes & chat, COLYFORD

Sat 22 Dec: 4.00 Christingle, **SOUTHLEIGH**

Sun 23 Dec: 6.30 Carol service, **COLYTON**

Full details of all Advent and Christmas services are in the Christmas

leaflet, on the website and in the magazines.

<u>Advance Notice</u>: Hilary will be saying goodbye to our mission community congregations and to the wider community at a special service on <u>Friday 4th January at 7.30 pm</u> in St Andrew's Colyton. Refreshments afterwards. All very welcome.

Services this Sunday and next Sunday

	9 th December		16th December	
Branscombe	Holy Communion	11.15 am	Carol Service	11.15 am
Colyford	Evening Prayer	3.30 pm	Carols and crib	3.30 pm
Colyton	Holy Communion	9.30 am	Holy Communion	8.00 am
•	Messy Christingle	4.00 pm	Breakfast then	10.00 am
	, ,	•	Breakfast service	10.30 am
Musbury	Holy Communion	8.00 am	Carol service	5.00 pm
Southleigh	Holy Communion	11.15 am	Holy Communion	11.15 am

Readings for 16th December, Advent 3

Zephaniah 3.14-end, Luke 3.7-18, Canticle: Isaiah 12.2-end

Welcome

to the

Holyford Mission Community

graying, growing, and serving God and one another in



Branscombe, Colyford, Colyton, Musbury and Southleigh

Sunday 9th December 2018

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This sheet is available on the website: www.holyford.org

Prayers and Readings for today, Advent 2

Collects

O Lord, raise up, we pray, your power and come among us, and with great might succour us; that whereas, through our sins and wickedness we are grievously hindered in running the race that is set before us, your bountiful grace and mercy may speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, to whom with you and the Holy Spirit, be honour and glory, now and for ever.

(or)

Almighty God, purify our hearts and minds, that when your Son Jesus Christ comes again as judge and saviour we may be ready to receive him, who is our Lord and our God.

Baruch 5

Take off the garment of your sorrow and affliction, O Jerusalem, and put on for ever the beauty of the glory from God. Put on the robe of the righteousness that comes from God; put on your head the diadem of the glory of the Everlasting; for God will show your splendour everywhere under heaven. For God will give you evermore the name, 'Righteous Peace, Godly Glory'. Arise, O Jerusalem, stand upon the height; look towards the east, and see your children gathered from west and east at the word of the Holy One, rejoicing that God has remembered them. For they went out from you on foot, led away by their enemies; but God will bring them back to you, carried in glory, as on a royal throne. For God has ordered that every high mountain and the everlasting hills be made low and the valleys filled up, to make level ground, so that Israel may walk safely in the glory of God. The woods and every fragrant tree have shaded Israel at God's command. For God will lead Israel with joy, in the light of his glory, with the mercy and righteousness that come from him.

Luke 3.1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high-priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, 'The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every

mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God."

Post Communion Prayer

Father in heaven, who sent your Son to redeem the world and will send him again to be our judge: give us grace so to imitate him in the humility and purity of his first coming that, when he comes again, we may be ready to greet him with joyful love and firm faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

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Coming this week

TODAY: 3.00 EDDC Civic carol service, MUSBURY

TODAY: 4.00 Messy Church and Christingle **COLYTON**

Mon-Fri: 8.30 Morning Prayer at **COLYTON** (every week)

Mon 10 Dec: 8.00 Advent Compline. Also Mon 17th. **COLYTON**

Tuesday: 9.30-11.30 St Andrew's Café SSB COLYTON (every week)

Wednesday: 10.00 Holy Communion at **COLYTON** (every week)

Wed 12 Dec: 10.30-12noon Coffee morning, Village Hall MUSBURY.

Wed 12 Dec: 10.45-12noon. Coffee/tea and chat. In church, COLYTON

Thu 13 Dec: 1.15-2.45 Noah's Ark for babies & toddlers, COLYFORD Hall

Thu 13 Dec: 2.15 MU Members' Christmas Afternoon, SSB COLYTON

Thu 13 Dec: 7.00 Thoughts for Advent: Longing, Waiting, Hoping, A time to listen, share and reflect, all welcome. SSB **COLYTON**

Fri 14 Dec: 10.00 Prayers for healing, & coffee, Methodist Church **COLYTON**

Sat 15 Dec: 7.30 Axe Valley Community Choir, St Andrew's **COLYTON**

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