

# Church Newsletter for Bishops Tawton & Newport

## Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> July, the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity



Dear friends,  
Recently at bible study we have been looking at the writing of James. James describes himself as a servant of God and the lord Jesus Christ. His epistle is written to the 12 tribes of Israel. James points out to us the importance of being "doers of the word, not hearers only".

I like the way James writes, he is humble and states things simply and honestly. If you haven't read James, I urge you to read it, it consists of only a few pages but is so full of wisdom and short explanations of Christian living, well worth a read. James makes it clear that our faith should bear good fruit, that we should be productive. We shouldn't say one thing, yet do another. We should love our neighbours and help the less fortunate. Remember not to be judgemental or speak badly of others.

We are all human and sometimes it's easy to forget our aims. Under pressure we can all fall short in the patience department; however, God is there to guide us when we ask for his help.

Ask God to come into your heart today.

With love and prayers 🙏

Janet (Churchwarden, Newport)

### Diary Dates in July

**Fri 11<sup>th</sup>:** Quiz Night at 7pm in Newport Church, £5 per person, teams of 6 or just turn up and we can find you a team.

Refreshments, nibbles and raffle prizes! Everyone is welcome.

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup>:** Men's Breakfast, 9am at Shamrocks Cafe, Joy Street

**Sat 12<sup>th</sup>** South West Awake Coastal Prayers 10.30am: Queen's Square, The Strand, Barnstaple followed by refreshments.

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup>:** Mini Music at Newport

**Tues 15<sup>th</sup>:** Toddler Group at Bishops Tawton and at Newport video talks by J John followed by discussion hosted by Andy and Magnus, 10.30am and 7.30pm

**Wed 16<sup>th</sup>:** Pop Up Café at Bishops Tawton 10am – 1pm

Still Space at the Vicarage, 7.30pm

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup>:** Bible Study at Newport, 11.15am-12.15pm

### FIND US ONLINE

[www.bishopstawtonchurch.org.uk](http://www.bishopstawtonchurch.org.uk) and [www.stjohnsnewport.org.uk](http://www.stjohnsnewport.org.uk)

The Newport Church Facebook page is now called St Johns Church Newport Barnstaple.

In Bishops Tawton we use the Bishops Tawton village Facebook group to stay in touch with people.

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### Sunday Services 13<sup>th</sup> July

**9.30am Morning Praise  
at Newport**

**11.00am Morning Praise  
at Bishops Tawton**

**Online service of Morning Prayer:**

<https://youtu.be/z0R-LUeHZt8>

### **Readings:**

**Col. 1.1-14 and Luke 18. 15-17**

### **Collect:**

Gracious Father,  
by the obedience of Jesus  
you brought salvation to our  
wayward world:  
draw us into harmony with your  
will, that we may find all things  
restored in him, our Saviour Jesus  
Christ. Amen

**As we continue to pray for the  
people of Ukraine and the Middle  
East, please pray for...**

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup>:** those who mourn, for  
they will be comforted

**Tue 15<sup>th</sup>:** the meek, for they will  
inherit the earth

**Wed 16<sup>th</sup>:** those who hunger and  
thirst for righteousness, for they  
will be filled

**Thu 17<sup>th</sup>:** the merciful, for they will  
be shown mercy

**Fri 18<sup>th</sup>:** the pure in heart, for they  
will see God

**Sat 19<sup>th</sup>:** the peacemakers, for they  
will be called children of God