The Stodden Churches in January 2023

In memory of those whose lives have come to a close

We remember with thanksgiving;

Those we have loved but are with us no longer:

Give rest, O Christ, to your servants with the saints where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting.

Eternal Father, let your light shine on those who mourn that they may rejoice in your comfort. Amen .

Baptisms and Weddings in Stodden in the last month

If you are interested in either of these life events please get in contact with Stephen the Rector (01234 709740)

There were no weddings or baptisms in December

.Worship in Stodden for January

We now have two services on a Sunday in a pattern that designed to give each church a set time on a set Sunday each month so that it should be easier for people in each village to know when there is service in their church. All the services will be Holy Communion with the exception of Café Sunday. So you will see that we will have a regular 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th Sunday pattern. All the services with have hymns, either using the Bose or with the organ.

We are not providing a ZOOM service on a regular basis now however on our Stodden website or via the weekly service news email you will find a morning prayer with readings and a reflections to use for your own personal prayers, not just for today but for use during the week when you might find the need to spend some quiet time with God. .

On a Sunday if you wish to worship from home you can join the Church of England Service that is available on the main C of E website which takes place at 9.00am and you can also find it on Facebook or YouTube. It will also be available for playback immediately afterwards.

If you email Stephen at <u>stephenholroyd@btinternet.com</u> you can be included in our weekly email which will update on the latest news about services in Stodden.

Here are the details of our Sunday worship for January

January 2023

1st Sunday

January 1st Naming of Jesus: 10.30am Melchbourne Holy Communion

2nd Sunday

January 8th Epiphany: 9.00am Shelton Holy Communion

10.30am Pertenhall Holy Communion

3rd Sunday

January 15th 2nd of Epiphany: 9.15am Café Sunday @ Yelden Village Hal

10.30am Holy Communion @ Melchbourne

4th Sunday

January 22nd 3rd of Epiphany: 9.00am Swineshead Holy Communion

10.30am Dean Holy Communion

5th Sunday

January 29th 4th of Epiphans: 10.30am Melchbourne Holy Communion

9.00am Holy Communion services follow the pattern of the Book of Common Prayer in traditional language.

10.30am Holy Communion sercices follow the pattern of Common Worship in modern language