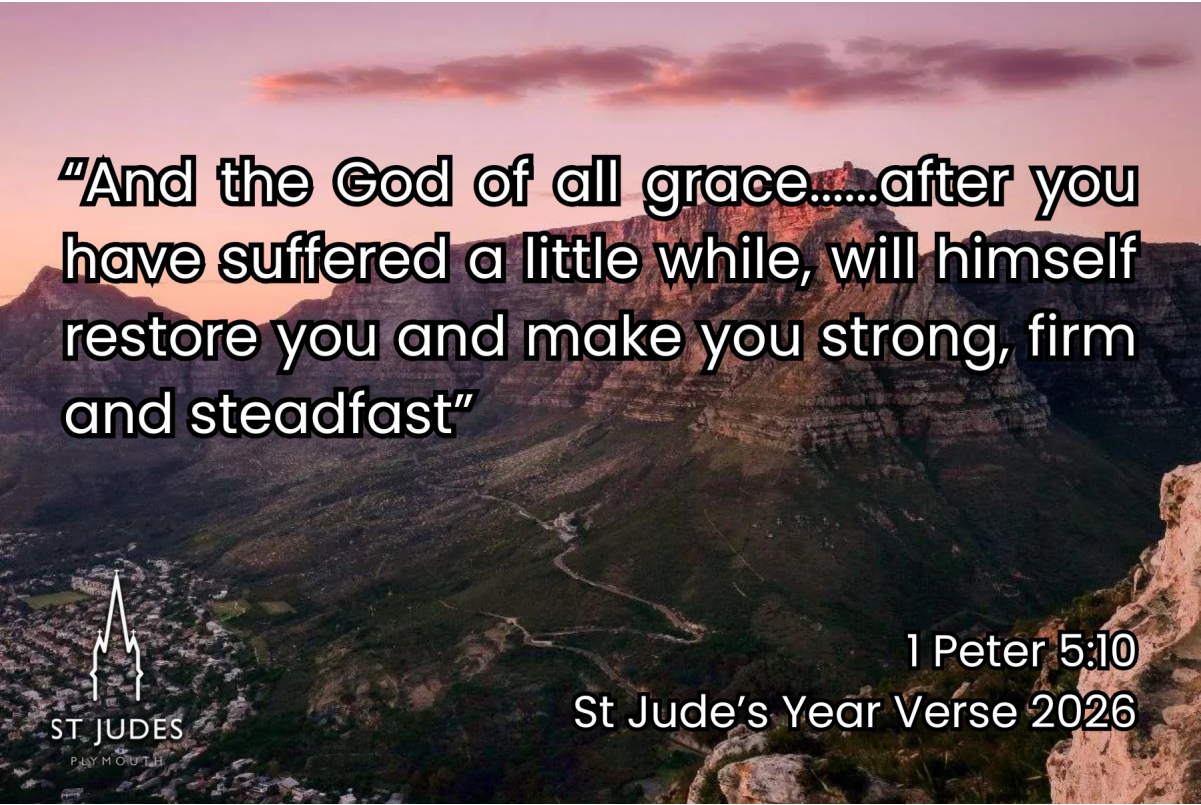


Church Newsletter

Tuesday 15th September 2026



"And the God of all grace.....after you have suffered a little while, will himself restore you and make you strong, firm and steadfast"



1 Peter 5:10
St Jude's Year Verse 2026

Dear St Jude's Church Family

Welcome back as we step out together into the start of the September term! Autumn always brings a refreshing sense of new beginnings, whether you are returning to school, resetting after summer routines, or simply enjoying the changing season. This term we are starting Alpha, restarting our mid-week communion service, meeting for our snack and chat community lunch, a Tearfund quiz and celebrating our 150th anniversary! I'd love to invite you all to reconnect by joining us for Alpha as we grow in faith and friendship, supporting one another in fellowship and prayer. May this season bring you renewed faith, warm fellowship, and peace as we journey through the coming months together.

Every blessing. Robin

Training Sessions for Alpha: And Invitation to Sign up for Alpha

If you are interested in assisting with the small group leadership, there is a training session on Monday 21st September @ 7.30pm in the Church. See Robin if you are interested and unable to make this training session.

Prayer Ministry Training Evening for Alpha Day (Saturday 21st November) the session is on 16th November starting @ 7.30pm and is for those who wish to grow their abilities to pray with and for others on Sunday and during the week.

An invitation to explore Faith is open to all and will be held at St Jude's Parish Church. The course will run over 10 weeks and will commence on 1st October 2026 @ 7.30pm. There are invitations in the Church and a sign-up

list at the back of Church. Please sign up ***and consider asking a friend or neighbour if they would like to attend also.

Mission Focus for September Our Mission Partner Focus for September is on students and ministry to them.

We support the Christian Union at Plymouth University in their late night outreach "Tea and Toast" Pray for them as they get stuck into a new year with changes of leaders etc and as they welcome new students. Remember to the work of UCCF (University and Colleges Christian Fellowship) as their workers support Christian unions around the country.

See the Missions notice board (on the left as you come into the church) for more information and leaflets, or visit cpas.org.uk

Summer Services Many thanks to all who made it possible for us to enjoy the Brunches and other services this summer – helping us to understand more about Miracles in the Bible, as well as providing us with endless drinks and food (and clearing up afterwards).

We are grateful to all who contributed their time and effort over the holiday period, enabling us to be nourished in every way!

MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING

Tuesday 29th September MACMILLAN COFFEE MORNING at the Hub
Please come to the Hub in church 10.30 - 12.00 to help raise funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. Bring and Buy - cakes, plants, books. All are welcome!

Saturday 19th September - Doughnut Club, Prayer Breakfast, Snack and Chat Restart

Come to the Doughnut Club any time between 9am and midday, to help with essential cleaning and tidying of the buildings and site, to keep everything as safe and attractive as possible. Includes a mid-morning break for coffee and doughnuts.

For more information, see Sid Prout or Ian Turner.

There is also an informal Men's Prayer Breakfast at 7.30am in the Lower Hall. See Sid or Ian for more details.

Snack and Chat Lunch 12:45pm for 1pm start. Cost £5 for a 2-course meal and hot drink. 19th September.

Due to the popularity of Snack and Chat, bookings are necessary. There are however a few places still available for this month so please contact Denise if you wish to attend.

READER'S RAMBLES START UP

Pete Hadden is starting up his Reader's Rambles on Dartmoor again and the first one is on Friday 25 September. Starting at Two Bridges, this circular walk will take just over 3 hours and will visit the site of the original Stannary Parliament together with Devon's only upland oak wood - Wistman's wood. Full details can be found (leaving time, what to wear etc and Peter's contact details) www.judes.org.uk

Tot's Time:

Birth to 3 years. Tots Time is a friendly group for children from 0 to 3 years and their parents and carers. Meeting on Monday mornings during term time, from 9.15 to 11.30 am.

150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS.

Following Les Roper's request on Sunday don't forget we also want your written or verbal memories. What was church life like in St Jude's in the past – and was St Jude's part of your journey to faith. Maybe you've been in St Jude's since a child, or only here a couple of years, we would still like your memories.

You can e-mail the church office, or speak to Les, Tina or Robin.

REGULAR MEETINGS

THURSDAY PRAYERS IN CHURCH

An open invitation to come and pray together for our fellowship, our city, country and the world as a family of God. Meeting every Thursday from 9:30 – 10:30am in the Quiet Room inside the church. Come when you can and stay for as long as you are able. No pressure. Just turn up and be a part of this joyous time together.

WEDNESDAY EVENING ZOOM PRAYERS

To join the Zoom prayer time at 7pm on Wednesdays, just [click here](#) (In case you need them, the Meeting ID is 833 0893 9783 and the Passcode: 031312)

MIDWEEKER AT 10:30am IN THE UPPER HALL - Re-start Wednesday 23rd September.

10:30AM SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sunday 13th September	Communion Service
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Sunday 20th September	Morning Worship
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Sunday 27th September	Communion Service
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The next newsletter will be on 29th September. Please send items to Tina James, Church Administrator, by Monday 28th September:

At St Jude's, we don't take a collection in our services as if you are visiting or just started coming, you are very much our guest. However, if you want to give a gift today, that is possible either via the box at the back or using our contactless card machine.

Should you want to consider donating either regularly or a one-off, you can also do it online via the Parish Giving Scheme where we can reclaim Gift Aid if you are a tax-payer, with the Government adding 25p to every £1 of your donation. This can now also be arranged via our Parish Giving web page here: www.judes.org.uk/giving/



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