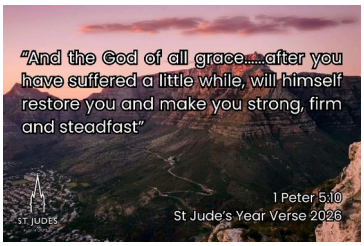
At St Jude's, we don't take a collection in our services as if you are visiting or just started coming, you are very much our guest. However, if you want to give a gift today, that is possible either via the box at the back or using our contactless card machine.

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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Tuesday 27th October 2026



Advent Course online with Bishop Mike

Bishop Mike says, I will be offering an online Advent course for any churches (or individuals) who would like to take part – hopefully this will be particularly of interest for smaller congregations unable to put their own course on or for those who can't get to such a group for one reason or another. Watch out for the relevant links which will be shared soon in the Roots, Shoots & Fruits newsletter, on social media and such like.
To help us go deeper in our discipleship this season and perhaps offer a fresh perspective beyond the fairy lights and crib scenes, I want to focus on what Advent before the 18th century always focused upon, known as 'the last things', i.e. death, hell, judgement and heaven, one per week. The subject matter may be heavy, but the teaching will be accessible and thought-provoking. I'll provide input online for up to 40 mins with slides and then, if you are watching as a group, you can take whatever time you agree for discussion. The dates are 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd December @7.30pm –8.15pm

150th Anniversary of St Jude's This is a significant event in our Church Life the church will open all week from Monday 16.11.26 between 10am – 4pm culminating in a final Sunday Celebration Service, led by the Bishop of Exeter on 22.11.26. Thanks to Robin, Ian and Les who are heavily involved in the planning and execution. Les is researching our history and producing high-quality exhibition displays that will form the basis of a St Jude's archive for future events and school visits. **We have a sign-up list asking for at least 2 people each 2-hour session to help to keep the Church open. If you feel that you can assist, please see the sign-up list at the back of Church or Tina** 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, or weeks, we would still like your memories**.**



Tear Fund Quiz Night at St Jude's Church on Saturday 14th November @ 7.30pm. Come along and have some fun. Doors open at 7.15 costs £5.00 per person. Come with your friend, neighbour or on your own and join a team and the fun! Break for Coffee and cake halfway through and the expected time to end is about 9pm. Prize for the winning team.
All monies raised will be donated to the Tear Fund organisation.

St Jude's Community Hub has been selected as one of several local charities to receive support from the Co-op Local Community Fund over the coming year. The amount we receive is dependent on how many Co-op members choose our cause - so please download the Co-op App, become a member and choose our cause, so we can receive a share of £3.5m. Please use the following link to find out more about the Hub and how to support
https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/103052

Snack and Chat the next Snack and Chat Lunch is 14th November @ 12:45pm for 1pm start. Cost £5 for a 2-course meal and hot drink. Due to the popularity of Snack and Chat, bookings are necessary and the list fills quickly so please contact Denise if you wish to attend.

Mission Focus: Our Mission Partner Focus for October is TEN (Transforming Europe Now)

The month of October sees the focus for the Mission Partner Board to change to Transforming Europe Now (TEN) and in particular its celebration of Harvest for the Hungry - a means of sending money directly to needy churches in the struggling churches of the Balkans. These churches carry out their feeding programmes amongst Europe's poorest, whilst offering help, not just physically but also in faith. Please see the Mission Partner board at the back of the church for further details.

Jesus said "I am the bread of life: whoever comes to me will never be hungry again. Whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Help us to fight both sorts of hunger in our own city and abroad.

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. **Term time ends 14th December and new Term will start 11th January 2027.*

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 – We hope to celebrate Communion twice a month. Please see the Rota.

10:30AM SUNDAY MORNINGS

Sunday 1st November	Brunch Service
Sunday 8th November	Remembrance Service/Communion
Sunday 15th November	Morning Worship

The next newsletter will be on 10th November. Please send items to Tina James, Church Administrator, by Monday 9th November: church.office@judes.org.uk

Rapid Response Vehicle in church car park. A clinician's car is parked on the church driveway by agreement between the church and the Practice Plus Group who run out of Friary Surgery.