

## Our 10.15am Sunday Service

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*Welcome and Notices*

*Call to Worship*

*A gathering prayer*

**Opening Hymn** Come now is the time to worship

*Opening Prayer*

*Confession*

*Collect Baptism of Christ*

*Ministry of the Word*

*Epistle Reading Acts 8: 14-17*

**Hymn** Let your living water flow

*Gospel Reading Luke 3: 15-17, 21-22*

*Sermon*

*Nicene Creed*

*What has God been doing this week?*

*Prayers and Intercessions*

*The Peace*

*Eucharistic Prayer H*

*The Lord's Prayer*

*Distribution of Communion*

*Post Communion Collect*

*Prayer of thanksgiving*

**Closing Hymn** Before the throne of God above

*Blessing - Northumbrian Community Blessing*

After the service please join us for refreshments, and remember there are people willing to pray with you in confidence.

### **Online Services:**

Follow on YouTube by searching for St Michael's Church Highworth

## This week and upcoming.....

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### **Sunday 12th January**

10.15am Holy Communion

### **Monday 13th January**

10-11.30am Toddler Group in Church

7.30pm Prayer Hour in Church Room

### **Tuesday 14th January**

9am Tuesday Prayers

6.30pm Regency Dancing in Church Room

7pm Youth Group

### **Wednesday 15th January**

11am Midweek Church

*Coffee and cake served from 10.15am prior to the Service*

### **Thursday 16th January**

7.30pm Bellringing Practice

### **Friday 17th January**

9.15am Friday Blessings

### **Saturday 18th January**

10am-12pm Coffee Morning in Church Room

### **Sunday 19th January**

8.45am Holy Communion

10.15am Morning Worship

### **Monday 20th January**

7.30pm PCC Meeting in Church Room

### **Sunday 26th January**

10.15am Holy Communion followed by Wedding Admin Day in church

### Sunday Services

8.45am - 1st and 3rd - Holy Communion

10.15am - 1st, 3rd and 5th - Morning Worship

10.15am - 2nd and 4th - Holy Communion



**Sunday 12th  
January 2025**

**L**ord, you have called us. Make us worthy of our calling, that, in the mighty name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, we may rejoice in your love and saving power, and proclaim your presence and glory in the world; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, Almighty Father, and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Join us for Prayer

### Tuesday Prayers:

Prayers are held in church every Tuesday morning from 9am. We come together to pray for the week ahead.

### Friday Blessings:

Blessings are held in church every Friday morning from 9.15-9.45am. It is a time for everyone to come together to bless the Town.

### Prayer Hour:

The next prayer hour is on Monday 13th January 2025 2024 at 7.30pm in the Church Room.

Please do consider joining us.

It is vital that we join together to pray for our church, our community and the wider world.

## Get in touch

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Copy deadline is 12pm Thursday

## Prayer for this week

You have called us, O God,  
to be your people.

You have loved us  
and chosen us for your own.

Clothe us with your compassion, kindness,  
humility, gentleness and patience.

Help us to forgive one another  
as you have forgiven us.

And bind us all together  
in the perfect unity  
of your love.

*(based on Colossians 3: 12-14)*

### ... and praying for our parish:

those who live in Barra Close, Beech Grove,  
Biddell Springs and Blandford Mews.

.... and all those ill in body, mind or spirit.

**Lord, in your mercy. Hear our  
prayer. Amen**

### Prayer Chain:

To commit to join the prayer chain or if you have something for which you would like specific or urgent prayer, please email [smprayerchain@yahoo.com](mailto:smprayerchain@yahoo.com)  
All requests are confidential.

## News and Events

### Explore your Rhythm of Life

There are leaflets in church with further details about this online resource to help you explore and find your spiritual rhythm.

### Prayer Hour

Prayer hour is back on Monday, 13th from 7.30pm in the church room. Everyone is welcome to join us.

### Early Holy Communion

From February, the early Holy Communion service on the first and third Sunday will move to the new start time of 8.30am.

### What a load of rubbish!

As a church we are getting better at recycling paper, bottles, glass, food waste etc which is great news. The downside is the rubbish and recycling doesn't make it's way to the refuse collection point every week on it's own.

More good news! Our collection day has moved to Monday so the bins can be put out on Sunday after service so if you'd be happy, or even vaguely willing, to join a rota of people putting the bins out please let Phil Sapwell know. This is a job that really can't continue to be the responsibility of one person, Phil S, and a reluctant (me) stand in when required. Thanks. *Julie*

### Eco Tip

*In the kitchen*

Use a bowl to wash up rather than a running tap and save £25 a year in energy bills.  
[www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins](http://www.energysavingtrust.org.uk/home-energy-efficiency/energy-saving-quick-wins)