

to love, follow, and serve Jesus

Sunday 12th Jan 2025

Click the “Notice sheet” button on our website: www.pinhope.co.uk to access an online copy. Please email new notices to: office@pinhope.co.uk by 9am on a Thursday.

Dates for your Diary...

26th Jan: 7pm Churches Together worship at Pinhoe URC, Old Pinn Lane, Pinhoe, EX1 3RF
19th Mar: 7:30pm Revd Rachel Dunn’s Licencing Service at St Andrew’s Church, Halberton

Home Communion

Communion at home is available to those who are unable to attend Holy Communion services at the Church. Please contact the Church Office to arrange a visit office@pinhope.co.uk

SPREE Volunteers

I hope you heard about the amazing time our young people and children had at Spree last year. SWYM is hoping to recruit 300 volunteers to enable Spree to work even more smoothly. Would you be free to help for a minimum of 4 hours? There are teams that cover stewarding, make sandwiches, clean toilets, stand on a gate, etc. SPREE runs from 27th -29th June 2025. If you are free in the day times leading up to the event – we could also use your help then too.

For more information, or to sign up please contact volunteers@swym.org.uk

LENT 2025

This year Lent begins on Wednesday 5th March. The Church of England’s Lent theme this year is **Living Hope**, which offers us the opportunity to deepen our hope in God and be part of what God is doing to bring hope in the world.

The Diocese have put together a **Living Hope** page on their website, which contains details of reading materials. This will be updated over the coming weeks, to provide details of resources for individuals, churches, study groups, schools, young people, children and families.

There will also be a daily challenge for children and families available as a booklet and in free digital form from February 2025.



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To visit the Living Hope resources web page, please click on the following link, or type the following URL into your browser:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/faith-life/what-we-believe/lent-holy-week-and-easter/living-hope-resources-lent-2025#>

Revd Dr Adrian Hough – New PTO Status

Adrian has become aware of some confusion following the celebration of his 65th birthday and his change from Associate Priest to PTO (Permission To Officiate) status. From 1st January 2025, the only practical change to Adrian's role, is that he will no longer be a member of the Parochial Church Council. Adrian can and will, still take services and preach and has indicated that he will be doing so as much as he has during the last few years.

Isaiah 43: 1-7 (NIV)

¹ But now, this is what the LORD says—he who created you, Jacob, he who formed you, Israel: “Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. ² When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you. When you walk through the fire, you will not be burned; the flames will not set you ablaze. ³ For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour; I give Egypt for your ransom, Cush and Seba in your stead. ⁴ Since you are precious and honoured in my sight, and because I love you, I will give people in exchange for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵ Do not be afraid, for I am with you; I will bring your children from the east and gather you from the west. ⁶ I will say to the north, ‘Give them up!’ and to the south, ‘Do not hold them back.’ Bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the ends of the earth— ⁷ everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made.”

Luke 3: 15-17 & 21-22 (NIV)

¹⁵ The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. ¹⁶ John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

²¹ When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened ²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

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