

CELEBRATION OF NEW MINISTRY

**Order of Service
for the Institution, Induction and Installation of
The Reverend Beth Hutton**

**As
*Team Rector of Whitton***

***The Bishop of Ramsbury
The Rt Reverend Andrew Rumsey***

***The Archdeacon of Wilts
The Venerable Sue Groom***

Thursday 19th November 2020 at 7.00pm

St Michael's Church, Aldbourne
Parish of Whitton

THE PARISH

Whitton's formation as a single parish with six churches 3 years ago, has freed up resources for new growth. We hope that with encouragement, fresh ideas and new leadership we will be able to move forward together on the next stage of our shared pilgrimage.

There is both space and opportunity for innovation in terms of forms of worship and music, and for outreach without jeopardising what is already held dear. Recent events have also opened up new opportunities for outreach, deepening discipleship and evolving patterns of ministry.

We serve long-established village communities that are vibrant and good at welcoming in the energy and skills of "incomers" whose contribution to community life is rightly valued.

We model collaborative working in which lay and ordained people work closely together, using their gifts and competencies in a complementary and mutually supportive manner.

We look forward to working with Beth as someone who enjoys rural life, understands the challenges of rural ministry, and who will be creative as we build on our foundations, whilst respecting the different identities and traditions of the village communities.

THE PRESENTATION

The Archdeacon welcomes those present and those watching via the recording on the Parish Facebook page (@WhittonTeamNews)

Bishop Andrew, Archdeacon Sue, Team Rector-designate Beth, Team Vicar Rhona and Churchwarden Paul take their places as we listen to

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the holy one is here.

Bishop: Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All: And also with you

The Bishop introduces the service.

The Archdeacon, on behalf of the Patron, presents the new Team Rector.

Patron Reverend Father in God, I present to you The Reverend Beth Hutton, whom we have chosen to serve as Team Rector in this Benefice.

Bishop I thank you for your presentation and for the prayer and discernment that lie behind it.

Bishop Churchwardens and people of this Benefice, do you welcome Beth?

People We do

Bishop Will you share with Beth in mission and in pastoral care?

People We will

Bishop Beth, I ask you in the presence of this congregation, are you willing to receive this cure?

Beth I am

THE COLLECT

Bishop Andrew introduces a period of silent prayer with these words:

Bishop As we now institute a new priest to this cure of souls, let us pray for her and for all who share in the ministry of this Benefice that/she may be a faithful priest and true shepherd, and that they may work together for the building up of God's Kingdom in this place.

God our Father, Lord of all the world, we thank you that through your Son you have called us into the fellowship of your universal church. Hear our prayer for all your faithful people that in their vocation and ministry each may be an instrument of your love, and give to your servant Beth and all who minister in this place the needful gifts of grace; through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

All Amen

GOD'S CALL & OUR RESPONSE.

Bishop Andrew and Beth move to the Altar. Team Vicar Rhona and Churchwarden Paul meet them there.

Paul 'You are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvellous light.'
(from 1 Peter 2)

Bishop The church is called in the power of the Spirit to proclaim to all the love of God by word and deed, and to welcome and nurture all who turn to Christ. Beth, as a priest in this Benefice will you by your teaching and example lead the church here in making disciples, and encourage every Christian to grow in their ministry?

Beth With the help of God I will

(to people) Will you all share with me in the ministry of making new disciples to which we are called together.

People We will

Bishop Beth, it is your duty and privilege to preside at the Holy Communion, to lead the worship of God's people, and to bless them in the name of the Lord. Will you lead them in unity that as the body of Christ in this place they may bear witness to his love?

Beth With the help of God I will.

(to people) Will you share regularly with me in this Sacrament of Holy Communion, that we may grow in unity and love, and together proclaim the death of the Lord until he comes?

People With the help of God we will.

Rhona presents a Chalice and Paten saying:

May the body and blood of Christ that we share at this table unite us on earth and prepare us for the table in his Kingdom.

All Amen

Archdeacon Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers – not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be; not greedy for money, but eager to serve; not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock. And when the Chief Shepherd appears, you will receive the crown of glory that will never fade away." (1 Peter 5.2-4)

Bishop Priests are called by God to work with the bishop and with their fellow-priests, as servants and shepherds among the people to whom they are sent.

Beth, will you work with your colleagues in this Chapter that together you may further Christ's work within the Deanery, and witness to the unity to which we are called?

Beth With the help of God, I will.

Archdeacon May God, who has called you to his service, make us one in heart and mind, in Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

THE READINGS

Rhona A reading from Ephesians 4:1-6,

I therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Archdeacon A reading from Luke 14:7-14

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honour, he told them a parable. 'When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honour, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, "Give this person your place", and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, "Friend, move up higher"; then you will be honoured in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.'

He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbours, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

THE SERMON

THE INSTITUTION

Beth stands before the Bishop, who reads the Preface:

Bishop The Church of England is part of the One, Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church worshipping the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the Catholic Creeds, which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-Nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer, and the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and deacons. In the Declaration you are about to make, will you affirm your loyalty to this inheritance of faith as your inspiration and guidance under God, in bringing the grace and truth of Christ to this generation and making Him known to those in your care?

Beth affirms and takes the Oaths, saying:

I, Susan Elizabeth Hutton, do so affirm, and accordingly declare my belief in the faith which is revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the Catholic Creeds and to which the historic formularies of the Church of England bear witness; and in public prayer and administration of the Sacraments, I will use only the Forms of Service which are authorised or allowed by Canon.

Taking a New Testament, she turns to the people and says:

I, Susan Elizabeth Hutton, do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, her heirs and successors, according to law: so help me God.

And turning to the Bishop, she says:

I, Susan Elizabeth Hutton, do swear by Almighty God that I will pay true and canonical obedience to the Lord Bishop of Salisbury and his successors in all things lawful and honest: so help me God

Bishop Having made those declarations, Beth may now receive the Cure of Souls here.

The Bishop reads the Licence.

Bishop With you Beth has dedicated herself afresh to God's service.
We now ask God's blessing upon his/her ministry among you.

All kneel, the Team Rector-designate kneeling before the Bishop.

Silence is kept.

Bishop Almighty Father, give your servant grace
to fulfil her calling in this parish.
Give her reverence in ministering the sacraments,
faithfulness in proclaiming your word,
diligence in pastoral care,
tenderness in comforting,
power in healing the wounds of Christ's people,
and humility and self-sacrifice in all things;
that, following the steps of your Son,
she may guide your people towards eternal joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Bishop hands the Licence to the Beth, saying:

Receive this Cure of Souls, which is both yours and mine; in
the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord
Jesus Christ, that great shepherd of the sheep, make you
perfect in every good work to do his will; and the blessing of
God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon
you and upon all your work done in his name. **Amen.**

All stand

THE INDUCTION AND INSTALLATION

Bishop Archdeacon, I ask you to Induct and Install Beth.

Archdeacon Sue says:

By virtue of the authority given to me I induct you into this Church and Benefice with all the rights and responsibilities belonging to it.

Churchwarden Paul says:

Receive this key as a representation of the keys of all our churches in this Parish, in token of the responsibility which we share.

Beth rings a bell, cast in Aldbourne, as a sign of the start of her ministry.

Archdeacon Sue leads Beth to her stall.

Archdeacon I place you in the stall of the minister of this parish of Whitton; and may God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side, and guide you in the ways of truth and peace. **Amen.**

THE WELCOME

Bishop Andrew invites all present and those who are joining virtually to welcome Beth.

THE INTERCESSIONS

As our newly installed Rector, Beth gives out notices and invites the people to pray.

The intercessions for the world and the local community are led by Paul.

At the end, Beth leads the congregation in saying the Lord's Prayer.

THE COMMISSION AND DISMISSAL

The Bishop moves to the Chancel step and is joined by Beth and all present who stand before the Bishop.

Bishop Those who are baptised are called to worship and serve God. Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and in the prayers?

People With the help of God I will

Bishop Will you persevere in resisting evil and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People With the help of God I will

Bishop Will you proclaim by word and example the good news of God in Christ?

People With the help of God I will

Bishop Will you seek and serve Christ in all people, loving your neighbour as yourself?

People With the help of God I will

Bishop Will you acknowledge Christ's authority over human society, by prayer for the world and its leaders, by defending the weak, and by seeking peace and justice?

People With the help of God I will

Bishop May Christ dwell in your hearts through faith, that you may be rooted and grounded in love and bring forth the fruit of the Spirit; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always.

People Amen

Beth Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

All In the name of Christ. Amen

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