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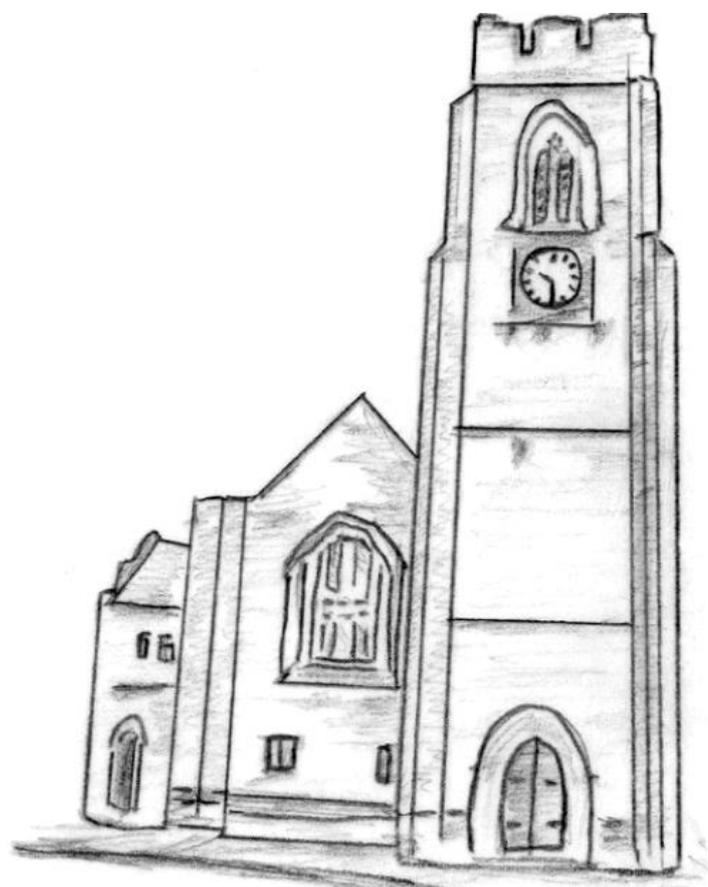
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Welcoming, worshipping, working in the name of
Jesus Christ



You are welcome to worship God with us

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The Editors Page

Due the current situation the Newsletters are going to be in a

very condensed form, do hope you will understand.

Once Covid-19 is no longer with us the usual Newsletter will come back to print.

Our congratulations to Bethany Prior, she has gained a First Class Honours Degree from Derby University

The Lord be with us all.

God Bless you all

Terri & Pauline

Our thanks for Arnold

Hi please can you include in your general Prayers :-

It is with great sadness that we have to report that Thokozani passed away on 20th July and we would ask you to hold her family and friends and everyone at Phakamisa in your prayers.

Pray for those who are bereaved:

As well as others known to us.

Feed Me Lord

Matthew 14.13-21

In a dramatically political atmosphere, Jesus organises a meal for a multitude in the wilderness as a sign of compassion, and a lesson to the disciples that they need to look around them, see the need and meet it.

This week's resources explore: bringing people together; the need to share while there is still time.

Call to worship

Let us sit quietly for a moment,
and think about our journey here today,
and how we are feeling now.

Are we ready to give God our full attention and worship
him?

Then let us come together to share in God's love,
to lift our hearts and voices in praise and worship,
to seek God's blessing with a new and deep experience
of God's power and generosity.

Amen.

A gathering prayer

Mighty God of miracles, we come before you.

We imagine what it might have been like
being part of a crowd of 5,000.

There may be far fewer of us here today,
but we think about the people in other churches
in our town, village, and country, also worshipping you.

Bound together by your great love,
we gather in spirit to meet with you, Jesus.

Amen.

A prayer of approach

Dear God, you look deep inside us,
seeing not only our outer but our inner needs.

Have compassion on us, we pray.
Feed us today from your holy word,
and we will be filled.

Amen.

A prayer of confession

Sometimes, Lord,
I know I don't listen properly to you.
I'm easily distracted.
Or I listen, but still go my own way
putting myself first.
Forgiven by you, I can start anew.

Sometimes, Lord, I don't trust you
to meet my needs, to take care of me,
to feed me with food both physical and spiritual.
Forgiven by you, I can start anew.

Sometimes, Lord,
I'm anything but prepared for my journey with you.
Forgiven by you, I can start anew.

Sometimes, Lord,
I look for my own ways out of a situation,
instead of seeking and trusting you.
Forgiven by you, I can start anew.
Amen

A prayer of adoration

Lord God of compassion and boundless blessings,
we are full of amazement
that you care so greatly for the needs of your people.
We worship and adore you for your generosity,
your love, and your power.
Amen.

Prayers of intercession

Lord, today, we pray for people who have little or nothing:
for those who feel trapped in their situation,
and can't see the bigger picture,
or even any tiny glimmer of light.

We pray for people who are hungry:
for parents who struggle to feed their children, and
themselves.

We thank you for the work of food banks,
and pray that they would have the resources
to continue to meet so many needs.

We pray that you would give us an appreciation of our food:
the work that goes into producing and distributing it.

Teach us not to be wasteful,
but to preserve and pass on the goodness of your earth.

Amen

We give our thanks for Arnold's work
for his compassion, his gentleness, and his love

Let the Lord be always with him

*Andrew Prior has sent us a list of goods that
The Foodbank are in need of.*

*For anyone wishing to donate to the
Long Eaton and Sawley Foodbank
We are now desperate know for
Laundry Powder and Fruit Juice, Savoury snacks, Rice
Pudding, Sponge puddings, custard.
These donations can be dropped off at
Christ Church on Tuesdays and Fridays
10—12.00 or at the corner of Wilmot Street
Beresford Rd, Sawley on Saturdays
9.00 till 11.00.*

*Anyone unable to get to either of these drop off points,
please contact us on
07980357107*

*And we will be willing to pick things up.
Many thanks Diane & Andrew*

*There will be a large number of people who you
have not seen for quite a while, perhaps you could give
someone a phone call, if you don't know their phone number
you can call on Janet Brown, Ruth Reynolds, or Terri &
Pauline; we would contact the person you want to speak to
in order that we can check that the person is happy to have
a call.*

Meditate on Romans 12 verse 1

I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice , Holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

God is not afraid to make us wait. What are you waiting for at the moment? How can you live faithfully, worship fully and gracefully in this time? What truth about God can you hold onto with complete confidence.

Who or what is causing you frustration at the moment? How are you handling your emotions? What has been your response? Ask God to give you patience and help you to forgive.

What are the sad things in your life? What things in your broken world (that God calls us to make better) weigh heavily on you? Bring Him now your pain and your fears and put trust in Him, the beginning and the end.

Pray for those you know who do not yet know Jesus, that they may find life.