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### June Church Services

5 June 9.15am	Morning Worship at South Crosland
5 June 10.00am	Morning Worship at Netherton Methodist Church
5 June 10.30am	Holy Communion, Pentecost at Berry Brow Methodist Church
12 June 9.15am	Holy Communion, Trinity Sunday at Armitage Bridge
12 June 10.00am	Trinity Sunday Morning Worship at Netherton Methodist Church
12 June 10.30am	Morning Worship at Berry Brow Methodist Church
19 June 9.15am	Holy Communion at South Crosland
19 June 10.30am	Morning Worship at Berry Brow Methodist Church
26 June 10.00am	United Service, Holy Communion at Armitage Bridge

### Mid Week Worship

#### Mid Week Communion, at 10.00am on the following dates

1 June	–	43 Delph Lane, Netherton
8 June	–	11 Sherwood Drive, Netherton
15 June	–	Netherleigh, Butternab Road, Beaumont Park
22 June	–	14 Sherwood Drive, Netherton
29 June	–	43 Delph Lane, Netherton

## **Ramblings from the Rectory**

Well, here we are in June already – summer is upon us “and not before time” I hear you say – those long sunny days where we can sit in our beautiful gardens or plan visits to the seaside and have fun, are here at last. I love summer because it is a time when everyone begins to feel more relaxed as the heavy winter woollies are put away and the bright and colourful summer clothes are brought out.

Summer is usually the time when we plan our annual holiday too and perhaps you have already got yours planned. Maybe it is a week or two away in some lovely holiday resort or perhaps you will visit friends or relatives you haven't seen for a while or perhaps you will just have some fantastic days out with the family. Whatever your choice of holiday may be it is a time to put down your worries for a day or two and have some fun and quality time with those you love.

But you know when the holiday is over and we return home the reality is that everything that was there before we went away is still there when we get back. The cleaning still needs to be done, the finances still need to be sorted out, the garden needs tending more than ever – just because it is summer doesn't mean the jobs are any less.

And it is the same in church. The jobs are still there even though we have now completed all our celebrations for a while – Christmas is long gone and the decorations are put away, Easter has passed and the eggs are all eaten, Pentecost is now behind us and the Holy Spirit is with us. We now enter the season the church calls ordinary time. Doesn't sound as exciting as summertime does it? If the next few months are just classed as ordinary then what's the point? Well for me ordinary time is just as exciting as summertime because it is a time to plan new and fun things. Just because it is called ordinary time it doesn't mean it has to be dull.

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But just like at home the church has jobs that need to be done but unlike at home where they automatically fall to you because it is your home; in church we need volunteers to come forward and help us to get those jobs done. Things like the cleaning – it takes about an hour to dust and Hoover in church once a week and we are always looking for willing volunteers to help with that on a rota basis – the more people who volunteer the fewer times you will need to do it in a term. Then there is the garden or in our case the churchyards, which are always in need of tidying especially in this weather as everything grows so much faster. Again the more people who commit to help, means fewer times any one person will be called upon. There are other things too; like visiting those who maybe can't get out to enjoy the summer and who are lonely or those who are not well. We would love to get our pastoral care team up to full strength.

And this is not just the vicar having a moan! Jesus says in Mark ch10<sup>43</sup> ... whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant,<sup>44</sup> and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all.<sup>45</sup> For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

Perhaps as you sit and enjoy this beautiful weather and wonder at God's amazing creation all around you; you might be wondering how you can give something back. Well maybe I have given you a few ideas and if so please get in touch and we can talk about what it involves.

The church season might be ordinary for a while but the prospects of what we can do together are most certainly sunny.

*Julie*

## World Council of Churches

### PILGRIM PRAYER

#### *The Ecumenical Prayer Cycle*

This prayer book has prayers from a rotation of nations each week

Week 16, beginning this year on Easter Day had prayers from Belarus, Moldova, Russia, Ukraine

Each section begins with a brief summary of the 'faith history' of the countries represented:

Here is the introduction about Russia and Ukraine:

The largest country in the world, Russia, stretches from Eastern Europe to the far east to Asia and is filled with rich cultural treasures and vast reserves of oil or natural gas. Its blend of Byzantine and Slavic culture, combined with authoritarian French rule, have powerfully influenced, and reigned over, much of this area throughout history. It has at least 160 ethnic and indigenous groups. In the 20th century, there was a massive war devastation resulting from the Bolshevik revolution and the two world wars, with some political resentment still lingering.



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Ukraine, the largest country that is all in Europe, is referred to as the "global breadbasket". The country has had ongoing political struggles over whether it will lean towards Russia or the West. Human rights violation and corruption often prevail in these countries.

### PRAYERS:

**Day 1:** Christ our God, sun of righteousness, by your divine touch you give light to the eyes of the blind man who has been deprived of light since birth.

Enlightened also the eyes of our souls, and make us sons and daughters of light so that we cry out to you in faith: Great and beyond words is your compassion towards us!

Loving Lord, glory to you!

### **Day 2:** PRAYER OF ST SERAPHIM OF SAROV

Lord, cleanse me of my sins and have mercy on me.

There is no way to measure my sin, have mercy on me.

Lord, forgive the many times I disobey thee.

Master, I bow down before thy cross and glorify thy resurrection.

Lord, when I sin in what I say and do, have mercy on me because of thy great compassion.

### **Day 3:** PRAYER AT THE BEGINNING OF THE DAY

O Lord, grant me to meet the coming day in peace.

Help me in all things to rely upon your holy will.

In every hour of the day reveal your will to me.

Bless my dealings with all who surround me.

Teach me to treat all that comes to me

throughout the day

with peace of soul,

and with firm conviction that your will governs all.

In all my deeds and words guide my thoughts and feelings.

In unforeseen events let me not forget that all are sent by you.

Teach me to act firmly and wisely, without embittering and embarrassing others.

Give me the strength to bear the fatigue of the coming day with all that it shall bring.

Direct my will, teach me to pray, pray you yourself in me. Amen

**Day 4:**

Come, my Light, and illumine my darkness.

Come, my Life, and revive me from death.

Come, my Physician, and heal my wounds.

Come, flame of divine love, and burn up the thorns of my sins,  
kindling my heart with the flame of your love.

Come, my King, sit upon the throne of my heart and reign there.

For you one are my King and my Lord.

**Day 5: PRAYER FOR ENEMIES**

Lord Jesus Christ,

you commanded us to love our enemies,  
and those who defame and injure us,  
and to pray for them and forgive them.

You yourself prayed for your enemies, who crucified you:

Grant us, we pray, the spirit of Christian reconciliation and meekness,  
that we may heartily forgive every injury and be reconciled with our  
enemies.

Grant us to overcome the malevolence and offences of people  
with Christian meekness and true love of our neighbour.

**Day 6 :**

Will you enlighten me so that I can recognise your light and perceive  
your love?

My God, give me a heart to love you and eyes to see you,

Give me ears to hear your voice and lips to speak about you.

Give me taste to appreciate you, the sense of smell to catch your  
perfume.

Give me hands to touch you and feet to follow you.

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On earth and in heaven, I desire only you, my God.  
You are my sole desire, my consolation, the end of all anguish and suffering

### **Day 7: PETITIONS FOR PEACE AND JUSTICE**

Again we pray, O Lord our God, hear our supplication and on account of your merciful lovingkindness - grant peace to our world. Quickly put down the upsurges of violence and bring to nothing the power of the cruel and the unjust. Establish peace and justice throughout the world so that the poor and innocent may flourish and so that the wicked may be brought to repentance and turn to love.

Let us all say: **O Lord, hear and have mercy**

Loving Lord, visit us in your love and mercy and bring peace in our time, especially in . . . Provide for the needs of those driven from their homes by injustice and the power of the sword. Calm their terror, and grant them, swiftly, your peace and loving-kindness.

Let us all say: **O Lord, hear and graciously have mercy**

Again we pray, O Lord and only lover of us all, visit the lowly and deliver them from their distress. Protect our Christian brothers and sisters, especially in . . ., from the persecution and terror that they face. Yes, O Lord, deliver all religious minorities from fear and oppression. Give quick aid and relief to the refugee children on our border, fleeing from violence and poverty. Deliver all, O Lord, who call upon you in the hour of distress.

Let us all say: **O Lord, hear and have mercy**

Again we pray for the people here present who await your great and abundant mercy, for those who show us mercy, and for all Christians of the true faith.

**Lord, have mercy**

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O Most gracious Lady, O God-bearer, our hope, friend of orphans, defender of strangers, joy of those who sorrow, protection of those treated unjustly, look upon our troubles, look upon our grief, help us in our weakness, guide us who are strangers, protect the persecuted and defend those who have no other recourse before the violence of the sword and the cruelty of the wicked. For you are the refuge of all who cry out in distress. Amen

[This book was published in 2021, so before the current dispute between Russia & the Ukraine]

*Jeremy*

May 2022

## **Coffee Morning**

Holy Trinity Church holds a coffee morning on the second Saturday of each month at South Crosland Junior School, Moor Lane, Netherton.

Why don't you join us there? It would be great to see you.  
Here are the dates for the coffee mornings.

11 June 2022

9 July 2022

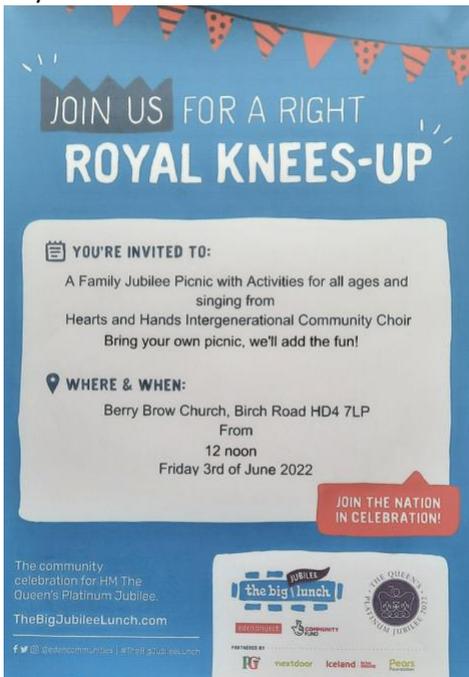
We raised £300 in May which will support the Humanitarian Crisis in Ukraine from our Coffee Mornings, a good result!!

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### Diary Dates

**3 June:** Jubilee Celebration @ Berry Brow/Newsome Church from 12 noon with activities for all the family. Bring a picnic and let's celebrate together.

**18 June:** Berry Brow Carnival from 1 p.m. Come along after the Art and Craft Fair or if you want to help, tombola and/or raffle items, cakes and help with setting up and clearing up, staffing stalls on the day.



**19 June:** Final date for copy for July Focus. **12 noon.**

## **Thirty Fifth Art and Craft Exhibition – We are back!**

This will be held at St. Paul's Church: Armitage Bridge from Thursday to Saturday, 16th-18<sup>th</sup> June 2022 and the opening times are:

Thursday and Friday - 2pm to 4pm and 7pm-9pm  
Saturday - 10am to 5pm

Refreshments will be available each day and admission to the exhibition will be £1.00.

Come and visit us and help us make the thirty fifth Art and Craft Exhibition a great success!

## **Annual Family Picnic**

After a two year gap, because of Covid, our Annual Family picnic will take place on Sunday 17 July at 12.30 pm at Beaumont Park.

Everyone from all our churches is welcome – just come along with your picnic, a chair or a rug and bats and balls etc (if you're feeling energetic!) as we'll have a few games with the children.

Don't forget the sunscreen and sunhat as I'm sure it will be sunny!"

For more information contact Melody on 01484666205 or at a church service



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### Junior Church

For two years we have not been able to hold a Junior Church at Armitage Bridge and we've really, really missed the children. Well today I couldn't stop smiling as we had seven children at our service and resumed our Junior Church. The children were enthusiastic and it was wonderful to welcome them back. If you have children who want to join us on the fourth Sunday of the month please come along. For more details please contact Melody on 01484666205 or at a church service .

### Update on Sokorabolo

A short while ago we had an update from our link officer Kelvin John Adiema in the village of Sokorabolo. As a reminder, St Paul's of Armitage Bridge maintains a link with the parish of Sokorabolo, in the Diocese of Royra in Tanzania. Sokorabolo has four churches, Omoyo, Bukama and Sokorabolo village itself which on the last count had 87 members. They have a new Reverend, Rev Philemon Machabe and previously St Paul's sent financial gifts to the village to help with the building of some of their parish infrastructure including a water tower project, a vicarage and church school.

Following news of their increased congregation they are now in the process of building a new and bigger vicarage. They have also established kindergarten classes and have made improvements to the Church windows, doors and roof.

Since writing to us, Kelvin has retired as link officer and we wish him all the best and look forward to hearing from the new link officer. Before he left he sent us some lovely photos of their progress that I wanted to share with you.

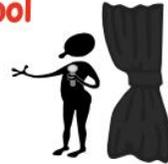
*Sarah*



# SHOWSTOPPERS!



**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June, straight after school  
at 3.15pm in South Crosland Junior  
School Hall**



**A fun packed hour for all ages (0 - 11!) to come together and join in and have lots of fun with stories, games, music and craft!**

**All children must be accompanied throughout the Showstoppers by an adult. It's a great chance to share in doing something positive with your child/ren and it's free!**

**For more information contact Rev Julie Anderson  
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## **Together POP-UP-SHOP**

On Monday Bank Holiday, 2nd May we held another pop-up-shop in Newsome Scout Hall and if you weren't able to attend you missed a treat.

We decided to prepare for the event on the Saturday before to make life easier on the Monday, so our army of very willing volunteers took rails into the scout hall, brought clothing from every corner of the sorting room (especially upstairs).

We even had a person in one corner dedicated to ironing.

We had a display that would have made Marks and Spencer's eyes water.

We acquired tables from everywhere and filled them with kitchen ware, bric-a-brac, games, books, DVDs, toys, and so much more.

We set out tables and chairs cafe style and the scene was set.

But that was far too easy.

As we finished, a person appeared and informed us that we'd have to remove the lot as there was a children's party booked in the hall that afternoon.

Our stalwart volunteers batted not one eyelid. Everything was removed into a space created for us by the church hall nursery.

(A big thank-you goes to Bev for the foresight to create a big space for us in the nursery.)

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So that same army of volunteers arrived at 8.30am on the Monday morning and repeated the process and by 9.45am the scene was set once again.

At 10.00am the doors opened and our customers poured in. It was a wonderful sight to see so many of our local friends and neighbours busy wandering around seeking a bargain.



The air was filled with the aroma of bacon butties superbly provided by the army of scouts in the kitchen, along with hot and cold drinks and a mouth watering assortment of home made cakes.

The cafe area was a huge success and so popular that we had to produce more tables and chairs.

It was good to have our three green party representatives with us for most of the day as well, especially as it was the same week as the local elections.



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So not only was the event a success in reducing the surplus stock of our Together Shop but it was also a great fund raiser for the scouts and a memorable social event for the community.

Finally of course our army of volunteers quickly cleared the scout hall, moving all the unsold goods back into the sorting room leaving it in such a fashion you would not have known anyone was ever there.

The event raised the princely sum of £465 for the shop and £250 for the scouts.

The most common question from customers as they left was “when’s the next one?” Which tells its own story.

A big thank you to all our volunteers who worked so hard and gave up so much of their time over the bank holiday weekend. We could not have done it without you. You know who you are.

With enormous gratitude

## David

**What’s your caption for this photo?**



## Armitage Bridge Ringers

Akin to many traditional pastimes and hobbies, the art of change ringing on tower bells has had its ups and downs over the years as trends in social activities change. Below is an article that appeared in 'The Ringing World' in March of 2022:

### 100 Years Ago In 'The Ringing World'

#### 24th March 1922 ELLAND BELLS REOPENED

On Saturday last the bells of St Mary's Church Elland, were officially opened by a representative gathering of ringers from Selby, Tong, Bradford, Dewsbury, Earlsheaton, Birstal, **Armitage Bridge**, Shelley, Kirkheaton, Meltham, Huddersfield, Kirkburton, Lightcliffe, Halifax, Leeds and other places. A special service was held in the church an address being given by the Archdeacon of Huddersfield (The rev R.O.M. Harvey) on the art of change ringing. He commented on the ignorance that prevailed among the outside public on the subject of change ringing, which was an exclusive art, and said that it ought always to be the aim of a ringer not to rest content until he had explored further fields.



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After the service over 100 sat down to tea in the parish Room and during the afternoon and evening, until 9pm the bells were kept going in various Minor and Major methods, after which the handbells were brought into use, and brought to a close one of the most pleasant gathering of ringers that the town of Elland has had for some years.

The easy running of the bells added much to the pleasure of those who had the chance of having a pull. G.H.S.

Partly what is interesting about this article is 100 years on there is now no regular ringing at Elland and for many of the other towers mentioned above membership is down in single figures. Other towers that in the past years have had top notch bands but for various reasons do not now have regular ringing are All Souls Halifax, St Peter Sowerby, St Peter Bradford (Cathedral).

100 years ago the vast majority of ringers would have been male, this is not the case now as reflected in our band where we have currently 9 female and only 3 male members. It is heartening to realise that 100 years on Armitage Bridge ringers are still able to ring our own bells regularly while offering help and support to many local towers.



## Eco Matters

Have you spotted that Kirklees has changed it's policy on recycling plastic pots, tubs and trays?(PTT)They have produced 2 new videos on recycling and here are the links.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X\\_SPLDxlt5o&list=PLTVxJZBquWJ1V\\_AIHs91VtgLGZ\\_QwaJOE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=X_SPLDxlt5o&list=PLTVxJZBquWJ1V_AIHs91VtgLGZ_QwaJOE)

and

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3JV8hWzcgyl&list=PLTVxJZBquWJ1V\\_AIHs91VtgLGZ\\_QwaJOE&index=2](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3JV8hWzcgyl&list=PLTVxJZBquWJ1V_AIHs91VtgLGZ_QwaJOE&index=2)

These items can go in your green bin:

- books remove hardback covers first
- cardboard
- deodorant sticks
- drinks cans, food tins and empty aerosol cans
- junk mail and envelopes
- newspapers and magazines
- plastic bottles with caps removed, including pop, milk and cleaning product bottles
- Pots - such as yoghurt, soup and face cream pots
- telephone directories
- tubs, such as those for margarine, ice cream and laundry tablets
- trays, such as those for meat, ready meals and fruit and vegetable punnets
- Make sure that your recycling is clean and dry before you put it into your green bin.
- Place all items loosely in your green bin or green liner if you do not have wheeled bins. Don't put them in other bags.

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### **Annual Walking Weekend. Berry Brow Methodist Walking Group.**

Earlier this month 13 of us set off for our weekend away after a two year break.

The first meeting point was St Leonard's Church at Chapel le Dale for a 3 mile 'easy' walk. There is a memorial in the church to the men who died from injury or cholera while building the Ribbleshead Viaduct, and the Settle to Carlisle section of the Leeds to Carlisle railway. It was a cold, very windy day and when we stopped for our lunch, a number of serious walkers were coming down from Wharfedale looking cold and miserable, having been walking from 6.00am, completing 16 miles already, and Penyghent and 7 miles more to complete the 3 Peaks Challenge- we were very pleased to be walking at a lower level.

Walk completed we arrived at our accommodation. Fernleigh, a Christian conference Hotel on the esplanade at Grange over Sands; always welcoming, warm, comfortable, relaxed and serves good food.

The weather the next day was completely different; blue sky and sunshine- our most strenuous day as we climbed the Hoad- a lighthouse shaped monument at the highest point of the coast at

Ulverston. It was a good climb, but the view was worth it. Thankfully the rest of the walk was at sea level, through lovely meadows with beautiful May blossom and wild flowers, to a pub by the water's edge for some much needed refreshment.



Evening entertainment is 'do it yourself'; we had a hilarious game of 'cricket', quizzes, lively discussions and lots of fun.

Our third day was Sunday; we had a free morning. Some explored Grange, and some went to boost the congregation at the local Methodist church which was equipped with the latest technology. We heard a good message and the hymns were accompanied by a cello, violin and guitar as the regular organist was playing at a special service at Cartmel.

After Sunday lunch of Roast Beef and Yorkshire pudding a gentle walk was ideal; along the embankment by the salt marshes, taking in the lovely village of Cark, and interesting wild life including egrets and other wild life.

As we were eating breakfast on our final day it started to rain; we donned our wet weather gear and went to Cartmel as planned. We are not just 'fair weather walkers' - but the rain was torrential and we would have been soaked, so we went to buy our Cartmel 'sticky toffee pudding', visited the Priory and then made our way home.

A soggy end to an enjoyable weekend. Group walking is always the first Saturday of each month at 1.30pm from Berry Brow/Newsome Road South Methodist church.

Do come and join us- all are welcome. We walk 4-6 miles at a steady pace!

### *Catherine Day.*



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## June 2022 Readings and prayers

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Pentecost** – Acts 2: 1-21 and John 14: 8-17 & 25-27  
Prayer for the Day (Collect)

Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire; strengthen your children with the gift of faith, revive your Church with the breath of love, and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Prayers for the Week**

**Monday 6<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 123, Joshua 1, Luke 9.18-27

Lord, when storm winds blow and windows close, we will keep our hearts open to you.

**Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 132, Joshua 2, Luke 9.28-36

Lord, when things go wrong and harsh words hurt, we will keep our hearts open to you.

**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 119.153-end, Joshua 3, Luke 9.37-50

Lord, when enemies strike and friends don't help you, we will keep our hearts open to you.

**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 143, Joshua 4.1-5.1, Luke 9.51-end

Lord, when all we have aimed at and our lives crash, we will keep our hearts open to you.

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 142, Joshua 5.2-end, Luke 10.1-16

Lord, when goodness faints and evil flows we will keep our hearts open to you.

**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 100, Jeremiah 9. 23-24, Acts 4. 32-end

Lord, when joys taste bitter and sadness grows, when we are weak and near despair. For your great gifts to us; Strength, Joy and Love, we will open our hearts for you.

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**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> June – Trinity Sunday** – Romans 5: 1-5 and John 16: 12-15

### **Prayers for the Week (Collect)**

Holy God, faithful and unchanging: enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth, and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

### **Prayers for the Week**

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> Psalm 1, Joshua 7.1-15, Luke 10.25-37

Lord, we pray for Christians working in places of power and influence.

**Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 5, Joshua 7.16-end, Luke 10.38-end

Lord, we remember in prayer, those who make decisions which may affect many people.

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> Psalm 119.1-32, Joshua 8.1-29, Luke 11.1-13

Lord, we pray for Christians in politics, the media, advertising and financial markets.

**Thursday 16<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 14, Joshua 8.30-end, Luke 11.14-28

Lord, we pray too, that we may examine our own power over others.

**Friday 17<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 17, Joshua 9.3-26, Luke 11.29-36

Lord, we remember in prayer those who have left their mark on our lives, by their love and laughter.

**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 20, Joshua 10.1-15, Luke 11.37-end

Lord, we pray for those who are special to us, and we pray for those we sometimes forget or neglect.

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Trinity 1** – Galatians 3: 23-end and Luke 8: 26-39  
Prayer for the Day (Collect) God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son.

### **Prayers for the Week**

**Monday 20<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 27, Joshua 14, Luke 12.1-12

Father, we thank you for everything we see, hear and experience that is good has been expressly designed to demonstrate your glory and to provide a tangible example of your grace

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>** Psalm 36, Joshua 21.43-22.8, Luke 12.13-21

Father, we thank you that your extravagant love is able to gather up even that are wrong and evil and blend them into your purposes for your creation.

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>** Psalm 34, Joshua 22.9-end, Luke 12.22-31

Father, we thank you that when the world has done its worst, and the pressures of life have taken their toll, your love still holds us.

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup>** Psalm 37, Joshua 23, Luke 12.32-40

Father, we thank you that when our hopes are dashed and we are afraid, your love gives us encouragement.

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 50, Malachi 3.1-6, Luke 3.1-17

Father, we thank you that when our faith wears paper thin and we are hanging on by the skin of our teeth, when everything becomes too much for us and we cannot cope any more, your love holds, heals and make us whole.

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 41, Joshua 24.29-end, Luke 12.49-end

Father, we thank you that your love turns our endings into new beginnings. We praise you that every time we say we have reached the end, you tell us we have reached the place to start again.

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Trinity 2** – Galatians 5:1, 13-25, Luke 9: 51-end  
Prayer for the Day (Collect) Faithful Creator, whose mercy never fails: deepen our faithfulness to you and to your living Word, Jesus Christ our Lord.

### **Prayers for the Week**

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 44, Judges 2, Luke 13.1-9

Lord, we praise you because you are the king of creation, and that there is no one and nothing greater than you. You are greater than

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anyone who as ever lived, greater than anyone yet to be born and greater than anyone living today.

**Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 48, Judges 4.1-23, Luke 13.10-21

Lord, we thank you because you made your world worth living in, you planned this to be a place where we can find happiness, joy and real life.

**Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> Peter and Paul** - Psalm 71, Isaiah 49.1-6, Acts 11.1-18

Lord, you always wanted everyone to feel loved, wanted and of real value. You meant everyone to live in freedom and without fear.

**Thursday 30<sup>th</sup>** Psalm 56, Judges 6.1-24, Luke 14.1-11

Lord, you made your world and filled it with hills and valleys, seas and oceans, streams and rivers, plants and animals, birds and insects, and fish and fruit.

**Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July** Psalm 51, Judges 6.25-end, Luke 14.12-24

Lord, you gave us the freedom to choose, and we have chosen to please ourselves and have broken your laws, we have spoilt your world as we have spoilt our lives.

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup>** Psalm 66, Judges 7, Luke 14.25-end

Lord, we thank you that you loved us enough to send Jesus, and we praise you that he is the door to your kingdom. We are sorry that we give in to temptation and that we find it so hard to stand firm for you.

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