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Loop Special – 17 May 2020 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

And the Last Sunday before Ascension Day!

TODAY'S READINGS: Ps 66.7-18 – Acts 17.22-31 – John 14.15-21

The readings in full and reflection are on the website on the News page.

THE EUCHARIST is offered on Sunday and **Thursday 21 May**, the **Feast of the Ascension**, at 8 am and 10.30 am. Please join us in spirit at home if you would like to. (see Spiritual Communion on the website)

PYJAMA CHURCH 9.30 am Sunday – live streamed! – see <http://www.trinitychurches.org> or get in touch with Hannah who is our key link for more info.

SUNDAY AT SIX 6 pm Sunday – Zoom in the Loop – Evening Prayer and catch up! We had trouble again last Sunday with lots of us unable to connect initially and we're really sorry, we know it's disappointing and annoying! We think the best thing is for a link to be sent out on Sunday quite close to 6 pm and we're going to try that this Sunday to see if it works any better. **Please let Peter, Mary-Lou or Hannah know by email by lunchtime on Sunday**, if you'd like to receive the invitation link. We have quite a good list of regulars, but don't want this to be a closed group. All are welcome – it's relatively easy if you have a laptop, smartphone or pc with a webcam and audio.

SHARING THE LIGHT IN THE LOOP phone in worship 01743 298285

Daily Hope – the national service: 0800 804 8044

HOME GROUP VIA ZOOM happens this Wednesday 20th at 7 pm Please email Gilly Reece on gillyreece@hotmail.com for the invitation you need to access the meeting.

FILLING STATION will be held via Zoom next Tuesday 19th May at 7.30pm. The speaker will be Tim Storey, Area Dean of Telford. He'll be talking about 'the view from the top of the mountain or the bottom of the hill' ... all about the ups and downs in our Christian lives. Philippa says if anybody would like to join in, **please email brianjturner@btinternet.com before Tuesday** and he will provide a link to the meeting.

ASCENSION DAY- THURSDAY 21 MAY

3 pm – Zoom worship to celebrate this great festival together and ... **bring some cake for a Zoom tea (or coffee!) party after the service!**

We will send out a link on the day – please tell us if you'd like to be added to our list as above.



THY KINGDOM COME (TKC) – 21 TO 31 MAY

Our annual, worldwide season of prayer begins this week with Ascension Day and although this year prayer will happen at home, we'd love as many of us as possible to take part!

24/7 PRAYER!

On page 2 you'll find news of some resources, but very importantly our next **24/7 PRAYER** event will be happening as part of TKC on **MONDAY 25 MAY, from 7 am to 10 pm**. Now the eagle-eyed among you will have worked out that this is not 24 hours! The great news is that this time we will be sharing our 24 hours of prayer with the All Souls Anglican Church in Sandringham, Melbourne, Aus. They will be taking over through the hours of our night and the link is possible because this is the church of Philippa's brother Martyn. **Please contact Philippa** if you can take part and commit to praying at home for any part of our share of the day: **01939 291352**.



NIGHT PRAYER LIVE STREAMED by the diocese – every evening through TKC 21-31 May. Details weren't available at the time of circulation so please check the diocesan website or ours for more info nearer the time:

www.lichfield.anglican.org

THY KINGDOM COME RESOURCES

Our own Severn Loop prayer resource will be available next week. As for Holy Week & Easter, there will be suggestions for daily prayer and reflection in our homes. Thy Kingdom Come resources for all ages can be found on the diocesan website or go to www.thykingdomcome.global where you'll be able to download prayer resources directly. We like the look of the Prayer Journal and the Novena booklet. Don't be put off by the title of the Novena, it just means 9 days of prayer! Last year's was lovely.

FOR OUR PRAYERS

Our church primary schools at Bomere and Bicton

Our Head Teachers, Julie Ball and Natalie Johnson

All staff and governors trying to prepare for re-opening in line with the complex, necessary Health & Safety measures required to protect everybody, while still providing a safe space for the children of keyworkers and online teaching for the rest

All the children and their families

Any vulnerable children at risk during lockdown



Our Virtual Blessings Jar

*Hearing the first cuckoo
(Bomere)*

*Seeing the first swallow of the
summer (Bicton)*

The house martins are back - Leaton

*Someone special, safely home from
hospital*

You have just one more week to send in blessings in the season of Easter!

May Light Perpetual Shine Upon Them

Mr David Evans of Bicton passed to his eternal rest on 11 May.

Our thoughts and prayers are very much with Olive,
their family and friends.

Come follow Christ  in the footsteps of St Chad
Know the Story *Share* the Story *Live* the Story