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Loop Special – Sunday 23 August 2020 – 11th Sunday after Trinity

READINGS - Psalm 138 - Romans 12.1-8 - Matthew 16.13-20

As usual you will find these printed in full on the website.

COLLECT

O God, you declare your almighty power
most chiefly in showing mercy and pity:
mercifully grant to us such a measure of your grace,
that we, running the way of your commandments,
may receive your gracious promises,
and be made partakers of your heavenly treasure;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

PUBLIC WORSHIP THIS SUNDAY – 23 AUGUST

Bicton	11 am
Leaton	10.45 am
Montford	9.30 am
Shrawardine	11 am

Public Worship Next Sunday

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ADVANCE NOTICE – SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

Bicton: there will be no service as there is a wedding on Saturday 5 September and the church will be closed to further use for 72 hours following that service.

Shrawardine: there will be no service at St Mary's. If you would like to worship with the congregation at Montford, it is important please to book in advance by contacting Tricia Jones on 01743 850810 or triciajones78@btinternet.com we have a limited number of places available in St Chad's under the social distancing regulations.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES TO WORSHIP:

PYJAMA CHURCH 9.30 am

via Trinity Churches website & Facebook

SUNDAY AT SIX 6 pm

via Zoom – email Mary-Lou to receive the link which is sent out on Sunday

SHARING THE LIGHT IN THE LOOP

Our weekly phone line worship – see top of this page for the local number to call

DAILY HOPE – national phone line, see number above.



PLEASE REMEMBER THAT FACE COVERINGS ARE NOW MANDATORY IN PLACES OF WORSHIP UNLESS YOU ARE LEGALLY EXEMPT

24/7 PRAYER – TUESDAY 25 AUGUST! – LIVING STONES

24-7

Our next 24/7 day of prayer runs all through next Tuesday 25 August, from midnight to midnight. The theme is LIVING STONES. See what the Bible says about this in 1 Peter 2 vs 1-10:

'Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight, and like living stones, let you yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood.'
1 Peter 2.4-5

If you can take part on the 25th, by spending part of Tuesday in prayer and reflection at home, please contact Philippa Herbert on Philippa.herbert@btinternet.com or 07871 865253. Some people love to express their thoughts and prayers in artwork



HOME COMMUNIONS

One very particular sadness of the pandemic has been the need to cease Home Communion.

We're very pleased to be able to say that from September we are now able to start gently re-introducing this central part of our usual pastoral ministry. As Peter and Hannah are our ministers available for conducting funerals, they may not be able to visit quite as many people as they were before the virus hit us, but we're blessed to have Joyce as our Pastoral Minister and she will in due course be increasing her visits. Joyce is going to be off duty in the first half of

September – hence the gentle re-introduction. The team will contact everyone before visiting to see if a visit is appropriate and welcomed. We hope you will all understand that while we wish to continue regularly, events beyond our control may mean that we have to stop again.

For Our Prayers This Week

*For Bishop Michael and his companions
as he completes his pilgrimage this week.*

*For the young people left in continuing anxiety and uncertainty in the exam results fiasco.
For school, college and university staff under huge pressure as a result of it.*

*For our schools at Bomere Heath and Bicton
as they prepare for the new term, with all its challenges.*

For our 24/7 day of prayer - Living Stones.

For those who are losing their jobs and livelihoods as a result of Covid-19.

For all who are sick, in any kind of trouble or anxiety.

For all who are bereaved.

May Light Perpetual Shine Upon Them

Simon Hughes and Gerald Friend

Both of Fitz Parish

passed recently to their eternal rest.

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