

Sunday 9th August

Notes from Tuesday's prayer meeting

Lord, sometimes life following you can be difficult.

We find so many dilemmas and struggle so much. wishing it could be easier.

We so want to trust you and see your plan for us.

Help us today to relax into your presence,

To clearly hear your word and be prepared to act on it.

In Jesus' name. Amen

Paul opened with Psalm 105 v 1-4 "God's Provision"

- Pray for Liz Crispin John's wife. She has broken her wrist and is in a lot of discomfort.
- Continue to uphold Linda and her daughter Jane
- Pray how we can approach the drop in church finances due to being closed.
- Pray for Kathryn who is awaiting a scan as she has been diagnosed with fatty liver disease.
- Remember teachers preparing to go back school in September pray for guidance as they deal with the new restrictions in their classrooms.
- Pray for young people who will shortly be receiving exam results for exams they were unable to take due to the pandemic. Some might be disappointed with the grades they have been given – pray that their futures will not adversely affected.
- Pray that people in our region will continue to be sensible and maintain social distancing.
- Pray for those who are shielding for a further fortnight.
- Pray for the effectiveness of testing and the development of a vaccine.
- Pray that the media will report accurately and sensibly and avoid rumours and sensationalism.
- Pray for Val's sister she has a water infection and is awaiting a blood test. Antibiotics do not seem be working. Pray that she will receive the appropriate treatment soon.

A prayer for others

Lord God, we come before you to pray for all those people for whom taking risks is a way of life.

We pray for our emergency services – paramedics, the police, the fire service – all who daily face difficult situations as they seek to help to protect us and make our world a safer and more peaceful place.

We pray for people who work in troubled areas – the armed forces in war zones, those who bring humanitarian aid into areas of natural disaster, and many more.

We pray for people who take risks in your name, Lord Jesus – those who take your word where it is most needed – and for people who grapple with faith and doubt. Lord, reveal yourself to them all and keep them safe. **Amen**

A prayer for the week

O Lord my God, you are worthy to be praised. You are the Son of God who walks on water. who mesmerises huge crowds with powerful words, but who also calms a frightened Peter - and you calm me and give me peace. Thank you Lord

Amen