

St John's News - 10 May 2022

Dear friends,

Thy Kingdom Come



Thy Kingdom Come started a few years by encouraging us to pray for 5 people to come to know the amazing, life-transforming love of Jesus. It is one of the most powerful things we can do. Persistent prayer for others brings transformation to their lives.

Over the next few weeks, we will be dedicating a short slot in our Sunday services to pray for our friends. But you can also pray each day at home.

There are so many ways you can pray for your 5. We suggest you use a piece of cord and tie a knot representing each one of your 5. Use this each day to help you pray. Cords are available at the back of church. Maybe each time you drink a cup of tea or coffee, you could remember to pray? Alternatively, you could write their names on your bathroom mirror, or in a card, to help remind you to pray each day. Or perhaps you could pray during your daily exercise such as running or walking the dog. There are many different ways.

Looking for a prayer to use? Why not try this one:

*Lord, I pray that you will lead ... to you.
Thank you that you love them. I pray that you would break into their life
and show them your love, grace and peace, for Your glory. Amen.*

Sunday's services

If you missed last Sunday's service, when Peter preached on Acts 17:1-15 (Paul in Thessalonica and Berea), you can catch up here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zh5LtBjig00>

This coming Sunday, Richard Webb will be speaking on Acts 17:16-34 (Paul in Athens)

Prayer Meeting

The weekly church prayer meeting is on Zoom on Saturday at 9:00am for 40 minutes. To join, click <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6852951296> or, load Zoom and use Meeting ID: 685 295 1296 and Password: 816262.

Beavers in Church

Please pray for the local Beavers group as they visit church on Wednesday 18 May to learn about worship and do an act of service for the community.

Ascension Day

There will be a short service of Celtic Prayer and Taize music on Thursday May 26 at 4:30pm to celebrate Ascension Day. All welcome.

*Loving Father, in the face of Jesus Christ your light and glory have blazed forth.
Send your Holy Spirit that I may share with my friends the life of your Son and your love for all.
Strengthen me as a witness to that love as I pray for them, for your name's sake. Amen.*