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# **Loop Special- November 2021**

Weekly Collects, Readings and Reflection are on the website (see above.)

# A season of Remembering

It's been lovely to be able to hold our Remembering with Love service in person again this year. You will remember that in 2020 we created an online version instead, which was very wellreceived, but guite a difficult service to put together in that context. This year we once again find ourselves noticing what a strange and challenging season we have had, and this of course makes the grieving process complex in new ways. It's a real privilege to be able to gather together those families we've supported through a bereavement during the past twelve months, and to be companions on their journey. Please do continue to keep those who mourn in your prayers as we move from All Souls to Remembrance, always ministering out of the resurrection hope we have in Jesus.

Remembrance Sunday falls on the 14th November, and we will be marking it in the usual way with services and Acts of Remembrance around Severn Loop. We're also holding a Festival of Remembrance with the Yeoman Singers at 5.30pm that day, at Fitz- no need to book, do just come along. We understand that the usual service in the town centre isn't happening this year, so there may be some extra folk who come to us instead- who will of course be most welcome!

## Forest Church

This month we will be holding Forest Church at Battlefield, 3pm, Sunday, 21st November. Please meet in the carpark of 1403 (SY4 3DB), bring your own picnic, torch and wrap up warm! The plan is to walk up to Battlefield Church (those with limited mobility can park at the church and meet us there), enjoy exploring the area/doing activities and then have a short service in the church itself. For our tea we will walk back to the Exhibition Room at 1403 where there will be two luxurious things- an urn for hot drinks, and a toilet!

All ages are welcome- last time the range was 8 months to over 80! We are looking forward to seeing you there.

# Bicton CAMEO Coffee Morning

The monthly coffee mornings in church are back- the next one will be 10.30am- noon on Thursday, 11th November. All welcome.

# Praying for COP26

There are two ways this is being marked in Severn Loop:

- As part of the diocesan response, there will be an outdoor prayer event at Leaton Church, 3pm- 4pm, Saturday 6th November. The event will be led by Revd. Rich Clarkson (of the Diocesan Environment Team), and will include some discussion of COP26, prayer stations and worship. All are welcome to come and join us as we pray for world leaders to enact real and lasting change to address the Climate Emergency. Because the plan is to be outside for the duration, do wrap up warm, bring a flask and a camping chair.
- Our 24/7 prayer is running from midnight to midnight on the 11<sup>th</sup> November. This is being organised by Philippa Herbert, and she has booked Fitz Village Hall from 9am-5pm for a real, in-person prayer room! Do contact <a href="mailto:philippa.herbert@btinternet.com">philippa.herbert@btinternet.com</a>, or 01939 291352 to book either an hour in the Fitz prayer room (in pairs please) or an hour to pray from home individually. Some of us find it easier to sing our prayers- so at noon that day, David Fletcher and Hannah will be leading half an hour or so of informal sung worship with a creation theme- some traditional hymns, and some contemporary worship songs. Do let Philippa or Hannah know if you'd like to come along for that.

# Soul Purpose Christmas

If you would like to help with Soul Purpose Christmas, do get in touch with Revd. Fiona Iddon (Tel: 07793731512, e: fi.iddon@trinitychurches.org), or fill in this form- Soul Purpose Christmas (google.com). People from around Severn Loop have helped in the past- either on the day, or in the preparations. SP Christmas is a big Christmas Lunch, held at the Trinity Centre, for anyone who would otherwise be alone on Christmas Day. There are opportunities to help with wrapping presents, making donations, providing lifts, peeling vegetables, serving food... Equally, if you know of anybody who might value an invitation to the lunch, do let Hannah know.

## Farewell to Martin Davies

Martin Davies has been a warden at Albrighton for many years. At our Harvest Festival service we bade him farewell- with much gratitude, and with the assurance of our continued prayers as he moves with his son to Ludlow. Martin has been very much at the heart of the Albrighton community, and he will be deeply missed.

# Readings for November

Sun 7 Nov 3 <sup>rd</sup> before Advent		Psalm 62.5-12	Hebrews 9.24-28	Mark 1.14-20
<b>Sun 14 Nov</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> before Advent	Remembrance	Psalm 16	Romans 8.31-39	Matt 5.1-12
Sun 21 Nov Sunday before Advent	Christ the King	Psalm 93	Revelation 1.4b-8	John 18.33-37
Sun 28 Nov Advent Sunday		Psalm 25.1-9	1 Thessalonians 3.9-13	Luke 21.25-36

#### SUNDAY SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER

## SUNDAY 7 NOVEMBER- 3rd before Advent

Albrighton 9.15 am Holy Communion Bicton 11 am Holy Communion

Bomere No service

Fitz 9.30am HC BCP

Leaton 10.45 am Holy Communion

Montford No service

Shrawardine 9.30 am Morning Worship

#### **SUNDAY 14 NOVEMBER- Remembrance**

All services will include an Act of Remembrance, and some have slightly earlier start times. After the service at Leaton there will be Acts of Remembrance at the War Memorial and Preston Gubbals.

Albrighton No service

Bicton 10.45am Morning Worship Bomere 9am Holy Communion

Fitz 5.30pm Festival of Remembrance

Leaton 10.45am Morning Worship Montford 9.30am Holy Communion Shrawardine 10.50am Morning Prayer

## **SUNDAY 21 NOVEMBER- Christ the King**

Albrighton 9.15am Morning Worship Bicton 11am Holy Communion

Bomere No service

Fitz 9.30am HC BCP

Leaton 10.45am Holy Communion Montford 9.30am Morning Worship

Shrawardine No service

Battlefield 3pm Forest Church

## **SUNDAY 28 NOVEMBER- 1st of Advent**

Albrighton No service

Bicton 11am Morning Worship Bomere 9am Holy Communion

Fitz No service

Leaton 10.45am Morning Worship Montford 9.30am Holy Communion Shrawardine 11am Holy Communion

### SUNDAY 5 DECEMBER- 2<sup>nd</sup> of Advent

Albrighton 9.15 am Holy Communion Bicton 11 am Holy Communion

Bomere No service

Fitz 9.30am HC BCP

Leaton 10.45 am Holy Communion

Montford No service

Shrawardine 9.30 am Morning Worship

## For Your Prayers

- The preparations for COP26 and the collective courage to turn from harmful ways that are destroying the natural world.
- The NHS and Care Sector, who are working at the very edges of their capacity.
- Our local schools, who are navigating very challenging circumstances with high Covid levels amongst children and young people.
- For all working in the supply chain, delivering and distributing goods.
- The family and friends of Bryan
  Littlejohns (a member of our
  Shraden congregation) and Liz
  Simons (a member of our
  Montford congregation), both of
  whom died last month. RIP.
  Bryan's funeral is on 6<sup>th</sup>
  November, 12.30pm at Shraden.
  Liz's funeral is on 17<sup>th</sup> November,
  10am at Montford. In both cases,
  numbers will be limited by the
  capacity of the church.
- The appointment process for a new Priest in Charge.

# OTHER WAYS TO WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

SUNDAY AT SIX 6 pm via Zoom – email Peter or Hannah to receive the link.

SHARING THE LIGHT IN THE LOOP
Our own weekly phone line worship –
see top of this page for the local
number to call.

DAILY HOPE – national phone line, see number above.

LICHFIELD CATHEDRAL www.lichfield-cathedral.org 10.30 am Eucharist