

## Notices for Week Commencing 4th July

### SERVICES for Sunday 10th July— 4th Sunday after Trinity

- ◇ 9.00am Holy Communion at Little Witley Church
- ◇ 11.00am Holy Communion at Knighton Church
- ◇ 6.00pm Celtic Evening Prayer at Abberley St Michael

Wearing a face mask is now a personal choice, however, alternate pews will continue to be kept free for the distribution of the sacrament.

Wedding couples, please book with Vickie who will alert local churches to ensure there is space allocated for you. For those of you who remain cautious about distancing, it is recommended that you attend worship in the larger of the church buildings (Great Witley, Abberley St Mary and Lindridge).

As always, continue to check the 4Rivers Churches website ([www.4rivers.church/services](http://www.4rivers.church/services)) for the up-to-date information about services and events over the next week.

### Ted's Prayer Pilgrimage

Rev Ted made his pilgrimage across all the churches, plus the Tea Rooms, over the weekend. Some visits were as part of regular worship, some were specific visits for prayer and there was also a Wedding and a Baptism. A pilgrimage with a mix of services.

Ted will be officiating at Little Witley and at Knighton next weekend as the Area Dean, who was officiating cannot now make it. Ted will also be in the congregation for Celtic Evening Prayer at 6pm.

Our prayers continue to be with Ted and Caroline as they prepare to move.

### Churchwarden Admission Service

The Service of Admission for Churchwardens is Wednesday 13th July at 7:30pm at Worcester Cathedral. All are welcome; come and support your Churchwardens at the Cathedral.

### Deanery United Service—Outside at Great Witley Tea Rooms

The Deanery united service will be held outside at Great Witley Tea Rooms, 10:00am on Sunday 31st July. It was a great event last year—come and join with the rest of the Deanery in worship and fellowship.

### Date for your diary—Mandela Day

A fact discovered whilst researching for a school CREW assembly—The United Nations proclaimed Mandela's birthday (July 18) to be Mandela Day. On July 18th, the goal is for people to spend 67 minutes doing something good for others; this represents the 67 years Nelson Mandela spent working for change.

### Coffee and Chat Tuesday 26th July 2022 at Great Witley Village Hall

Come along to Great Witley Village Hall for coffee and chat—10am until midday where Julia, Mary and Linda look forward to welcoming you for coffee, cake and a chat with friends old and new. If you would like to come but haven't got transport please ring Julia on 01299 896412 to arrange a lift.

Everyone is welcome.

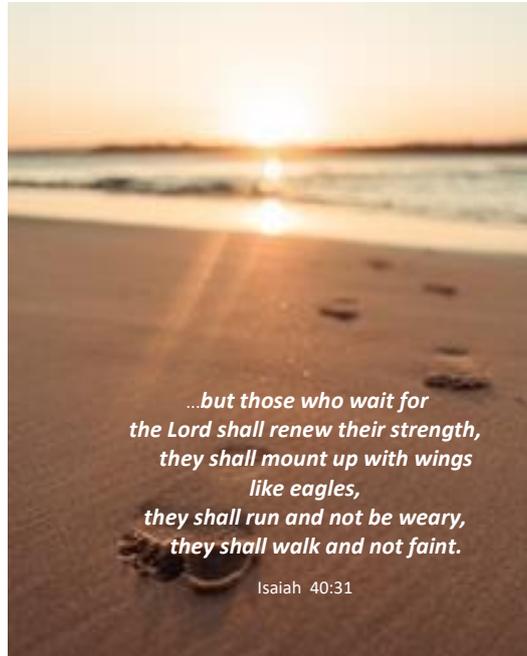
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### 4RIVERS CHURCHES WEBSITE

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**PRAYER**



*...but those who wait for  
the Lord shall renew their strength,  
they shall mount up with wings  
like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary,  
they shall walk and not faint.*

Isaiah 40:31

**COLLECT**

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,  
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:  
increase and multiply upon us your mercy;  
that with you as our ruler and guide  
we may so pass through things temporal  
that we lose not our hold on things eternal;  
grant this, heavenly Father,  
for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen

**BIBLE READINGS for July 10th**

**COLOSSIANS 1:1-14**

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, <sup>2</sup> To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:

Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

Paul Thanks God for the Colossians

<sup>3</sup> In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,

<sup>4</sup> for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, <sup>5</sup> because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel <sup>6</sup> that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. <sup>7</sup> This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, <sup>8</sup> and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

<sup>9</sup> For this reason, since the day we heard it, we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God's will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, <sup>10</sup> so that you may lead lives worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to him, as you bear fruit in every good work and as you grow in the knowledge of God. <sup>11</sup> May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully <sup>12</sup> giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light.

<sup>13</sup> He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son,

<sup>14</sup> in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

**GOSPEL: LUKE 10:25-37**

<sup>25</sup> Just then a lawyer stood up to test Jesus. 'Teacher,' he said, 'what must I do to inherit eternal life?' <sup>26</sup> He said to him, 'What is written in the law? What do you read there?' <sup>27</sup> He answered, 'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbour as yourself.' <sup>28</sup> And he said to him, 'You have given the right answer; do this, and you will live.'

<sup>29</sup> But wanting to justify himself, he asked Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' <sup>30</sup> Jesus replied, 'A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell into the hands of robbers, who stripped him, beat him, and went away, leaving him half dead. <sup>31</sup> Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. <sup>32</sup> So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. <sup>33</sup> But a Samaritan while travelling came near him; and when he saw him, he was moved with pity. <sup>34</sup> He went to him and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them. Then he put him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. <sup>35</sup> The next day he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said, "Take care of him; and when I come back, I will repay you whatever more you spend." <sup>36</sup> Which of these three, do you think, was a neighbour to the man who fell into the hands of the robbers?' <sup>37</sup> He said, 'The one who showed him mercy.' Jesus said to him, 'Go and do likewise.'