



2 before Advent | Sunday 15 November 2020

Bible Matthew 6.19-21 'Where's Your Treasure?'

**Online Service with Holy Communion
+ Children's Church (from 9am)**

www.amington.church/next-service

Services in the church building are currently suspended

Prayer of the Week

The prayer calendar is on the back page... don't miss it!

Heavenly Lord,
you long for the world's salvation:
stir us from apathy,
restrain us from excess
and revive in us new hope
that all creation will one day be healed
in Jesus Christ our Lord.



Important Information

Our church building may be (mostly) closed, but...

'God's eyes are open, and his ears are attentive to our prayers'

2 Chronicles 7.16

Daily Prayer www.amington.church/daily-prayer (every morning at 6am)

Night Prayer www.amington.church/night-prayer (every evening at 8pm)

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Noticeboard


Tearfund Big Quiz Night
www.amington.church/quiz

14 November from 7.30pm – to raise money for Tearfund. We will play in teams, either of one household each or people joining together.

All money raised on the night will be given to Tearfund. There will be a Just Giving page to make donations on the night.

 The survey results are not ready to publish with the news sheet – we hope to share some headlines in the Sunday service.

Annual Meetings

The following were elected to serve:

- John Taylor (Warden)
- Janet Land (PCC)
- Peter Sheppard (PCC)
- Jess Green (Deanery)

Special thanks were given to Geoff Wyatt who stepped down after many years' service.

Full details are in the draft minutes.

Church Building

Due to the re-imposition of lockdown restrictions, the church building is closed for services again, until further notice.

Thanks

First of all I'd like to thank everyone who made the services possible – especially those who volunteered on the cleaning rota (who now get a month – or more – off!) and Carol who opened up for them. Thanks also go to Ray and Sue who have been helping to lead the services.

What's happening instead?

We continue to produce the following resources, which are available by email or by post (please contact the church office):

- The weekly news sheet (with the prayer calendar on the back page)
- Daily Prayer (with a Proverb or two)

The future

Although we don't know how long this situation will last, as soon as it is permitted (and safe) we will open the church building for services again.

Noticeboard

Christmas Lunch Delivery

This year the Tamworth Christian Churches lunch on Christmas Day will be 'meals on wheels'.

The food will be cooked as normal, but we need as many drivers as possible to help deliver the meals on Christmas Day.

If you would like to help, please contact Ben.

Also, if you, or anyone you are aware of, would like to receive a meal, please contact Vic & Wendy Van Den Bergh on (01827) 65926.

Cartoon Church

BEATITUDES

FOR A GLOBAL PANDEMIC

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO STAY INDOORS



FOR THEY HAVE PROTECTED OTHERS

BLESSED ARE THE UNEMPLOYED AND THE SELF-EMPLOYED



FOR THEIR NEED OF GOD IS GREAT

BLESSED ARE THE CORNER SHOPKEEPERS



FOR THEY ARE THE PURVEYORS OF SCARCE THINGS

BLESSED ARE THE DELIVERY DRIVERS AND THE POSTAL WORKERS



FOR THEY ARE THE BRINGERS OF ESSENTIAL THINGS

BLESSED ARE THE HOSPITAL WORKERS, THE AMBULANCE CREWS, THE DOCTORS, THE NURSES, THE CARE ASSISTANTS, AND THE CLEANERS



FOR THEY STAND BETWEEN US AND THE GRAVE, AND THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS SURELY THEIRS

BLESSED ARE THE CHECKOUT WORKERS



FOR THEY HAVE PATIENCE AND FORTITUDE IN THE FACE OF OVERWORK AND FRUSTRATION

BLESSED ARE THE REFUSE COLLECTORS



FOR THEY WILL SEE GOD DESPITE THE MOUNTAINS OF WASTE

BLESSED ARE THE TEACHERS



FOR THEY REMAIN STEADFAST AND CONSTANT IN DISTURBING TIMES

BLESSED ARE THE CHURCH WORKERS; THE DEACONS, PRIESTS AND BISHOPS



FOR THEY ARE A COMFORTING PRESENCE IN A HURTING WORLD AS THEY CONTINUE TO SIGNPOST TOWARDS GOD

BLESSED ARE THE SINGLE PARENTS,



FOR THEY ARE COPING ALONE WITH THEIR RESPONSIBILITIES AND THERE IS NO RESPITE

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO ARE ALONE,



FOR THEY ARE CHILDREN OF GOD AND WITH HIM THEY WILL NEVER BE LONELY

BLESSED ARE THE BEREAVED,



FOR WHOM THE WORST HAS ALREADY HAPPENED. THEY SHALL BE COMFORTED

BLESSED ARE THOSE WHO ARE ISOLATED WITH THEIR ABUSERS



FOR ONE DAY - WE PRAY- THEY WILL KNOW SAFETY

BLESSED ARE ALL DURING THIS TIME WHO HAVE PURE HEARTS; ALL WHO STILL HUNGER AND THIRST FOR JUSTICE; ALL WHO WORK FOR PEACE AND WHO MODEL MERCY



MAY YOU KNOW COMFORT. MAY YOU KNOW CALM. AND MAY THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, AND THE LOVE OF GOD, AND THE FELLOWSHIP OF THE HOLY SPIRIT, BE WITH US ALL. AMEN

For Your Prayers

Please pray for:

- † All those recently bereaved, especially the family and friends of the late Malcolm Orton, and John Fletcher.
- † TCHA staff and tenants.
- † Rough sleepers, and all those who are isolated – especially given the new lockdown restrictions.
- † Medical staff and emergency workers, who are putting themselves in harm's way to keep the rest of us safe and well.
- † Political leaders, for wise decisions – especially as cases rise.

Prayer Calendar

Even if you don't know someone you can still ask God to bless them by name!

SUN	15/11	Young Family (Blithe, Mo, Quincy, Richard)	Church Wardens (Carol & John)
MON	16/11	Muriel Smith, Albert Pegg, Simon Garratt	Leaders of Church Groups
TUE	17/11	Hazel Lawson, Olive Carter, Julia Pinner	Overseas Mission Partners
WED	18/11	Taylor Family (Alex, Chris, Holly, John, Ruby)	Place of Welcome
THU	19/11	Irene Davies, Alan & Joyce Page, Rita Harris	Local Councillors
FRI	20/11	Janet Wilson, Catriona Paton, Joyce Moore	Baptism Candidates & Families
SAT	21/11	Price Family (Ash, Elsie, Emilia, Matt)	Lonely & Bereaved People
SUN	22/11	Roger Myring, JoAnne Griffin, Joyce Madeley	Knit & Natter