

Sunday 23 August – Twelfth Sunday after Trinity

Prayers written by Sheila Gunson

Let us Pray.

We give you thanks O Lord with our whole heart before the gods we sing your praise.... For your steadfast love and faithfulness, we come to you in prayer.

We start with prayers for our world and it's many problems from war, fire, floods and famine, help us your people to cope with each challenge with care love and faith, give us strength to do what is right for our world and it's people and encourage peace at every opportunity.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for all churches across the world, may they grow in your love and faithfulness. Let the congregations feel your steadfast love and share their faith with others. We know that being a Christian anywhere is not always easy, but when we believe you are with us Lord we can find our way and help others to find you too.

We pray for our church here in Tiptree and for the continued hard work of ALL it's members to spread your word of love and faith. We look to you Lord to encourage the right person to come and lead us and help us with your work here at St Luke's.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for the people of Tiptree, for the various roles they play helping it to be the community that it is. Continue to give them strength and compassion and love in all they do.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We know in our lives we will encounter illness and pain and we know that your steadfast love we will cope at these times. We ask you to help those in hospitals, hospices, care homes and our own homes who are unwell at this time. Place your loving arms around them and ease their pain and suffering. Please pray for Jericho Hasieber, Sarah, Jean, and Graham Chislett. Please take a moment to pray for those known to you.

We also pray for those who are care givers, give them strength and knowledge to continue this work with care and love.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have recently died and their families and friends, may they feel your love at this sad time. We pray for Andy and Bill Anderson.

From our memorial book we recall the lives of Terrance George Corner, Hilda Elston and Jack Taylor. May the love for them continue.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

Dear lord may you be gracious to us and Bless us and make your face to shine upon us.

Let all the people praise you O God, Let all the people praise you. Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen