

## **Sunday 28 June – Fourth Sunday after Trinity**

### **Prayers written by Sheila Gunson**

Let us sing of your steadfast love O Lord for ever with our mouths, we will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations. We declare that your steadfast love is established for ever, your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.

Let us pray for our world and its people.

Our world is very diverse with many beautiful places some hot and some cold all created by you Lord for us preserve and enjoy, may we learn how to continue to do this and leave a good legacy for future generations.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

Sadly, some areas are war torn and battered and the people weary, afraid and lost. We pray that your steadfast love will support them and give hope. We pray that world leaders will see that war and conflicts are not solving problems. Help them to see that it is OK to stop fighting and start rebuilding.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We pray for our own communities, for the people who live and work in them, each one playing a part to make it work effectively. We give thanks to the many areas of our community: health workers, police, fire officers, shopkeepers, dustmen and many others all part of the community jigsaw puzzle. Bestow your steadfast love on them all.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We bring before you this morning those who are unwell Jericho Hasieber, Sarah, Andy and Jean and please take a moment to pray for someone dear to you. Lord please wrap your comforting arms around each one and give relief to their suffering. We pray also for those who care for the sick in our hospitals, hospices and homes. Give them strength, wisdom and compassion in their work.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

Heavenly Father we pray for those who have recently died. We thank you for their lives, for their inspiration and love shared. We may not see them

anymore, but their love lasts forever. Please pray for Diane, and Peter Outen and their families at this time.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

From our memorial book we remember Frederick James Thompson, Pat Sorrell, Jean and Bob Murray and William Pearson. Comfort all families and let them see your steadfast love is forever.

Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

We continue to pray for ourselves and our churches here in Tiptree. May we continue to sing of your steadfast love and welcome all who come to St Luke's. Give us continuing strength and willingness during this time of vacancy

- to share responsibility
- Grow in faith
- Love one another
- Care for those in need
- Reach out to others
- Welcome newcomers

Lord Jesus, help us to guard and grow this church.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.