



**October Prayer focus: UN Climate Conference 31<sup>st</sup> October - 12<sup>th</sup> November 2021**

This month, let us join with Christians across the globe in praying for this climate conference. Over 190 world leaders and 10s of thousands of delegates and volunteers will be meeting in Glasgow and working towards uniting the world to tackle climate change.

There are 4 goals for this conference:

- 1) To secure global net zero by mid century and keep a rise of 1.5 degrees within reach.
- 2) To adapt to protect communities and natural habitats.
- 3) To mobilise finances to secure global net zero
- 4) Work together to rise to the challenges of the climate crisis

Prayer points:

- ü Give thanks to our Creator God.
- ü Pray for the world leaders and the UN in keeping the momentum going for action.
- ü Pray for Boris Johnson and COP President Alok Sharma in their key roles...for courage and boldness in leading other countries.
- ü Pray for communities across the world who are already living with the reality of climate change.
- ü Pray for UK churches to become awakened and involved.
- ü Pray for each one of us to examine our own treatment of God's creation and be ready to make changes.

*'Creator God, giver of life, you sustain the earth and direct the nations. In this time of climate crisis, grant us clarity to hear the groaning of creation and the cries of the poor. Challenge us to change our lifestyles. Guide our leaders to take courageous action. Enable your church to be a beacon of hope. And foster within us a new vision of your purposes for your world, through Jesus Christ our Lord, by and for whom all things were made.*

*Amen'. Archbishop of York*

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Verse of the Year: 'Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes' – Isaiah 54:2

**Notice Sheet - 24.10.2021**

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Member of the Leadership Team responsible for the morning is Ramona Chenery - all queries to be referred to Ramona.

We welcome you to our service today at 10.30a.m. Today is Shoebox Sunday and we will be thinking about the work of Samaritan's Purse. Nicki Waterworth and Jane Poyntz are leading our service this morning.

As well as joining together in the church building we also live stream our service through Zoom. Unfortunately this Sunday this will not be possible. We apologise for this.

Oct. 25<sup>th</sup> - Roots Community Café open at WBC  
10.00a.m. to 1.00p.m.

Oct 26<sup>th</sup>/27<sup>th</sup> - Paul is on leave, any problems please contact  
Vic Wright or Gill Price

Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> - 'Coffee @3' - 10.00-12 noon - more information  
From Nicki Waterworth

Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> - Roots Community Café open at WBC  
10.00a.m. to 1.00p.m.

Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> - Pumpkin Party for Y1-4 - 3.00p.m. - 4.00p.m.

To book a place go to <https://rsvp.church/r/iepgkEVd>

Oct. 30<sup>th</sup> - Neon Light Party for Y5 upwards - 6.30-8.30p.m.

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Oct. 31<sup>st</sup> - Worship at 10.30a.m.

OUR VISION - To be 'An authentic church with a place  
for everyone'



**Remember in your prayers, thoughts and actions:-**  
Jane, Jenni and family, Alan and Rose and family, Vic and Mary and family, Rita Harris, Burke family, Jason O'Dell, Lara Boucher. Remember our brothers and sisters in Southend following the death of Sir David Amess.

**TODAY IS SHOEBOX SUNDAY** – We are fast approaching the time of the year when we need to be collecting items for our shoe boxes.

We hope that you have made a start on your shoebox.

We have some boxes that you may purchase from Jane for just 50p or if you would rather decorate one, that would be great – rolls of Christmas wrapping paper available in the office.

Do encourage the children to add a message or maybe a photo/picture.

Our collection week is between the 15<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> of Nov. So if you wish your box to go with boxes from WBC, please ensure that it is in the Church Office by 14<sup>th</sup> November.

We have 50 leaflets to accompany your box. Please ask Jane or Nicki for as many as you need.



On Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> November we will be holding a Special Church Meeting to consider and vote on the CIO constitution and to confirm the church's endorsement of Paul's recognition as a Baptist Minister. The meeting will follow our church service at 12 noon and hopefully will be quite short. Please make every effort to attend. All church members should have received an agenda and associated documents - if you haven't received this information please contact Cathy or call in at the Church Office - Spare copies of the agenda are on the Church Notice board opposite the kitchen.

Please start thinking about what you can contribute to our next edition of 'The Rooted Life'. All articles should be in the Office by 28<sup>th</sup> November