

# Littlehampton Churches

## Together



### PRAISE

#### From the Churches

- for the beauty and warmth of this Summer.
- the Rest and Nursing homes we have contact with have remained free of the virus.
- for continued well-being of the church family.
- for those getting the treatment and appointments they need from the NHS
- for God's protection on the Health workers in the church family.
- *for all the local church leaders who have worked so tirelessly through such difficult circumstances to support the congregations and communities. May God bless you for your faithfulness.*
- for the opportunities that the gradual relaxation of restrictions will bring; we had two visitors come to All Saints for quiet prayer the first time it reopened
- *for the peaceful demonstrations*
- *for the protection of the market stalls which have returned to Littlehampton in St Martins Car Park*
- *for our shops and businesses who are trying to serve our Town.*
- *for our Nurseries and Preschools who are trying to stay open, who still want to be around when September comes.*

# WEEKLY PRAISE AND PRAYER

Week beginning 28.06.20

#### From Turning Tides

- for those involved in the developments at Littlehampton Hub which are currently underway.
- for individuals and organisations who continue to give time and goods to those in need.

**For all Key Workers - according to a government list, these include:**

- Doctors
  - Nurses
  - Midwives
  - Paramedics
  - Social workers
  - Care workers
  - Other frontline health and social care staff including volunteers
  - Support and specialist staff
  - Producers and distributors of medicine and equipment
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- Nursery staff
  - Teaching staff
  - Social workers
  - Certain specialist professionals
- Justice system
  - Religion
  - Charities
  - Other key frontline services
  - Death management
  - Journalists and broadcasters providing public service broadcasting
- Food production
  - Food processing
  - Food distribution
  - Food sale
  - Food delivery

(More next week)

## THANK YOU GOD



## From the Schools

Things in school are a strange mixture of frantic (mostly cleaning!) activity, and long chats with parents and staff who are finding life more and more difficult for all sorts of reasons.

- we need prayers for parents who are feeling guilty at the moment for not being able to teach their children at home as well as they'd like to.
- Teachers are feeling guilty for not being able to teach the children they care about.
- Headteachers are feeling guilty for asking staff to do things that are way over and above usual expectations (back to cleaning!).
- I think we all need to be kind to ourselves and recognise the fantastic team efforts that are going on and settle for doing the best we can.

## From Turning Tides

- for a solution to securing continued housing for rough sleepers as we move through COVID.
- for the wellbeing of staff working hard to support the homeless.

## From the Churches

- *for those who have recently been bereaved*
- *for the comfort of knowing that their loved one is with the Lord*
- *for those unable to work at present, for continued provision*
- *for those who run a business, for wisdom about starting up again*
- *for wisdom with regard to the new possibility of some kind of Church service.*

- *for opportunities for small groups to meet together to share fellowship without Zoom!*
- *for teachers, techies, engineers, delivery drivers, shop workers and all who have continued working throughout this period - that they would feel appreciated and valued for their service.*
- for all the shops, businesses, venues and churches as they seek to reopen safely - may God guide our decisions and draw people in.
- *for unity within Churches and community as things move forward, as we're all likely to need to move at a different pace. That we would find a good way to include everyone, including newcomers*
- for the safety aspects from the decrease on the social distancing two metre to just one metre+
- for Germany as they have sad news of the R number reaching a sharp incline to 2.88
- for the heightened fear in Beijing of Covid 19
- pray against fears in the USA of news manipulation in the run up to elections.
- for our young people who, it seems, are feeling invincible e.g. playing close contact sports. picnicking in close proximity to each other and sharing drinks and food, 'Lord bring some common sense to our families to equip our teenagers with some awareness that all is not yet well with our country.

## HOT OFF THE PRESS

The Littlehampton Churches Summer Camp will take place from Monday 10<sup>th</sup>-Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August at Lodge Hill. Churches will be asked to sponsor children and to help with the extra costs to ensure that the camp is following all the government guidelines.