

**The Benefice & Team Ministry of Tettenhall Wood and Perton**  
**The Parish of Tettenhall Wood**

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Dear Friends,

I hope you are keeping well and as cheerful as you can! At least we can keep enjoying the sunshine, even if only looking through the window.

This week is the Second Sunday of Easter, and the set Gospel reading is about so-called 'Doubting' Thomas. I am grateful for Jane Brough for this week's sermon, as she helps us to reflect on matters of doubt and faith for ourselves. Please continue using the Easter service booklet sent out last week through the Easter season. The collect for this week is particularly apposite:

*Risen Christ, for whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:  
open the doors of our hearts, that we may seek the good of others  
and walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,  
to the praise of God the Father. Amen.*

Now, I need to talk briefly about money (sorry!) As with many organisations, most of the church's out-goings remain the same, but income is diminished (notably, the income from hall-hire which we rely on). Your giving helps us to sustain the church's financial security. It means we are able to continue to pay our parish share and to meet our commitment to the vital work of Christian charities, both locally and overseas.

We are very grateful for all who continue to give through standing orders, bank transfers or other means. Normally at this time of year we hand out the weekly giving envelope boxes, but we are not able to distribute them until restrictions are relaxed. If you normally give through the envelope scheme, or are not yet part of a planned giving scheme, we would ask you if you would consider setting up a standing order. This can be done directly through on-line banking, or otherwise by contacting your church treasurer (details below).

Good Shepherd: Natwest Account number: 00240079 Sort Code: 55-70-46  
Treasurer: Stephanie Hemming – 01902 472656 – [stephaniehemming@btinternet.com](mailto:stephaniehemming@btinternet.com)

Christ Church: Lloyds Bank Account number 00532094 Sort Code 30-18-56  
Treasurer: Richard Humphrey – 01902 822835 – [rhd127982@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:rhd127982@blueyonder.co.uk)

If you don't wish to set up a standing order, one-off payments are of course still valued, or if you simply keep putting the money aside until we can meet again, that's great as well. Whichever way you are able to support the church financially it is really appreciated.

For the benefit of those who give to the Children's Society through the collection boxes, I can let you know we have had received a thank you letter for the £235.86 raised this year.

And a final 'thank you' to end with this week. I really appreciate all the work that Russell Taylor and Steph Hemming are doing each week to ensure that you either receive the weekly letters, sermons and orders of service either through the post or by e-mail. Thank you both!

May God bless you

Phil