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

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Dear Friends,

I hope you enjoyed the Ascension Day service on Thursday. I often think it's one of the church's forgotten festivals, but to my mind the Ascension is really important in drawing to a close the cycle of our remembering of Jesus' time on earth, and leading in to the new age of the Spirit-led people of God – a point of transition, as Richard called it in his sermon.

Today is a lighter mailing – just the sermon for Sunday, which Joy Dipple has written: so, thank you, Joy. Please use again the order of service for Ascension, where you will also find the collect and readings for Sunday, and also Samantha's beautiful prayers. Don't forget 'Thy Kingdom Come,' as explained on the last letter.

As before, a video version of this service will be on the parish website, YouTube channel and Facebook pages from Sunday morning. In addition, it is my intention to keep offering something mid-week – a short reflective service (10-15 minutes) on the website each Thursday, available from 9.30am – so keep an eye on the website if you're interested.

Meanwhile, here's the latest Christian Aid news:

Thank you all again for your generous donations to this year's Christian Aid Week appeal. The total raised so far has now reached a fantastic £1837.

There is still time to donate: Go to the parish website to make an online donation (which can be gift aided): <a href="http://www.christchurchtettenhallwood.co.uk/caw/">http://www.christchurchtettenhallwood.co.uk/caw/</a> or send a cheque (payable to Christian Aid) to Christian Aid, c/o David Fulljames, 55 Richmond Road, Wolverhampton, WV3 9JH

Many thanks to you all for your contributions – by cheque and on-line, and also to those who have donated directly to Christian Aid. In these challenging and worrying times, we are thankful that we are able to support our less-fortunate global neighbours. "All things come from you, and of your own do we give you." Angela and David.

May I add my thanks to David's and Angela's, as well as to David and Angela? A terrific effort! Keep well, and safe, and hopeful,

Phil