

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

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Dear Friends,

I hope you are well and enjoying some new freedoms! It's good to see some of our user groups returning to our halls, but in terms of church services this particular easing of restrictions has not changed how worship is conducted. So, as I said last week, social distances still have to be maintained, and hugging in church is definitely still banned!

It is Pentecost Sunday: we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit on the first disciples, and pray for the Spirit to descend on the church afresh today. In church, the services are Morning Prayer at 9.30 at Good Shepherd, and Holy Communion at 11.00 at Christ Church. I enclose the sermon I have written, and intercessions from David Fulljames.

Readings: Acts 2: 1-21 John 15: 26-27; 16: 4b-15

Collect: *Holy Spirit, sent by the Father, ignite in us your holy fire;  
strengthen your children with the gift of faith,  
revive your Church with the breath of love,  
and renew the face of the earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to Christian Aid Week. It's wonderful to see the envelopes coming in and the website total clicking up. Let's be hopeful of matching last year's total.

Christian Aid Week has highlighted again how damage to the environment so often most affects those who are already disadvantaged. Care for creation is a vital part of Christian calling, and as a parish we have pledged to act in more environmentally-conscious ways. I know many in the church are already very committed to living 'greener' lives, so to encourage one another over the next week or so, I'm going to be asking what sorts of things you may be doing. Watch this space for more details! There's also an online conference on Faith and the Environment on Thursday 27 May, 7.30-9.00pm. Let me know if you'd like more details.

May the Spirit of Pentecost blow through you this week!

Phil