Telford Christians Together

TOGETHER for the Kingdom

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Transforming Teesside Together

'Let me tell you about my church -

The Church of Teesside'

This is the introduction to an inspirational video clip compiled by Christians in Teesside who are committed to relational unity of churches.



1000 Christians gathered for one of their joint services. Here are some comments about the event -

'I found it genuinely moving ... worshipping together, it felt like a glimpse of the Age to Come'

'It was absolutely amazing. I felt so connected.'

Check out their Facebook page for more comments and to watch the video.

https://www.facebook.com/ transformingteessidetogether/

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ReSource

ReSource works for the renewal of people and churches for mission in the power of the Holy Spirit - across all traditions, churches and denominations, with an Anglican distinctive.

They have produced a number of publications including **'Saints at Prayer'** which is a course on praying effectively in groups. It is comprised of 6 sessions designed to help people feel more comfortable praying out loud and in groups. There is a Leader's Manu



in groups. There is a Leader's Manual and individual workbooks.

'**Praying for Mission'** is a booklet with prayers, This ReSource office booklet, extracted from "Celebrating Common Prayer", is a gathering of those prayers to focus on God's work of mission in His world. that focus on God's work of mission in His world.



Praying for Mission

A Short Office

These books can be purchased from the ReSource Office.

ReSource has recently moved its offices to Meeting Point House in Telford. Further information about the work of ReSource can be obtained from the Charity Administrator on 01952 371300 or <u>office@resource-arm.net</u>, or from the website <u>www.resource-arm.net</u>.

Reflections for Lent



Reflections for Lent is designed to enhance your spiritual journey through the forty days from Ash Wednesday to Holy Saturday (6 March - 20 April 2019).

Covering Monday to Saturday each week, it offers reflections on readings from

the Common Worship Lectionary, written by some of today's leading spiritual and theological writers.

Each day includes:

- * Full lectionary details for Morning Prayer
- * A reflection on one of the Bible readings
- * A Collect for the day

This volume offers daily material for 6 March to 20 April 2019, taken from the Reflections for Daily Prayer 2018/19 annual edition.

It is ideal for individuals and groups seeking Lectionary-based reflections for use during Lent and Holy Week, or for anyone wishing to try Reflections for Daily Prayer before committing to a year's worth of material.

It also features a simple form of morning and night prayer and a guide to keeping a good Lent.

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https://www.chpublishing.co.uk/ books/9781781400920/reflections-for-lent-2019

Art & Faith Lenten

Loyola Press have a range of resources for your Lenten Journey. Enter into a visual prayer experience with Arts & Faith: Lent. Each week they provide a video commentary about a work of art inspired by the Sunday Scriptures. Use these videos to take a new look at this season of spiritual renewal through the lens of sacred art. Commentary is by Daniella Zsupan-Jerome, assistant professor of liturgy, catechesis, and evangelization at Loyola University New Orleans. Her unique background in faith and art brings to life a new way of observing Lent and understanding the season on a more personal level.

Art & Faith Ignatian Lenten reflection

Churches Together Lent

Churches Together in Britain and Ireland are focussing on 'The Mystery of God' for their 2019 Lent course. There will be seven resources, one for each week of Lent and two extra resources for Ash Wednesday and for Palm Sunday. The course delves more deeply into the mystery of God, seeking to rediscover what it is that draws us so

deeply in our search for God. The studies will follow Jesus through the Lenten readings, allowing him to draw us, in love



and wonder, into the mystery of God's plan of salvation.

The course will be available to download late 2018 / early 2019 and may be made available in published form.

https://ctbi.org.uk/lent/

#Student Sunday

The Universal Day of Prayer for Students

UDPS has been celebrated since 1898, making it one of the oldest ecumenical days of prayer. It is marked on the third Sunday of February every year, connecting student movements and WSCF friends across the world.



How can your church get involved?

- Invite someone from SCM to speak at one of your services – either on Student Sunday or another date. Contact the SCM office if you're interested. <u>scm@movement.org.uk</u>
- Invite one or more students from your congregation, or from the local university (contact the chaplain or the SCM office for details), to share their story during the service.
- Download the resource toolkit, to help plan your service. Include intercessory prayers for students during the service.

https://www.movement.org.uk/resources/ student-sunday

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Lifewords Easter booklets



During Jesus' last days, he experienced fear, betrayal, forgiveness and much more. **One Friday** tells the story of Good Friday through the 14 Stations of the Cross, with powerful paintings by artist Jenny Hawke. Produced as part of the One Friday campaign, hundreds of churches have now reached and engaged their communities new and creative ways.

This free booklet can be ordered from the Lifewords website.



Lay Down Your Cloak is the first in a series of 8 short animations telling the story of Easter Week from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday.

These animations can be downloaded for free from the Lifewords website.

https://www.lifewords.global/shop/occasioneaster/