

St Edmund's Shipston, Tidmington Church,
All Saints' Honington & St James' Idlicote

Morning Worship

Gathering Worship

God speaks to us
in the riches of creation

God speaks to us
in the stories of Jesus

God speaks to us
in the lives of other people

God speaks to us
in words and ways that we can understand

God of fire and beauty **warm us**

God of peace and justice **disturb us**

God of wind and wonder **amaze us**

God of the past, present and future
kindle your love in our lives

Hymn - Praise my soul the king on heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring.
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praises sing.
Praise him, praise him!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress.
Praise him, still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless.
Praise him, praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness!

Fatherlike he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows.
In his hand he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him, praise him!
Widely as his mercy flows!

Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face.
Sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him, praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace!

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**What does it look
like to love someone?**

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**Is anyone off
limits?**

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**What does it
mean to be a good
samaritan today?**

The Good Samaritan in Reading

Reading - Luke 10:25-37

Reflection

Song - Beauty for brokenness

Beauty for brokenness
Hope for despair
Lord, in the suffering
This is our prayer
Bread for the children
Justice, joy, peace
Sunrise to sunset
Your kingdom increase!

Shelter for fragile lives
Cures for their ills
Work for the craftsman
Trade for their skills
Land for the dispossessed
Rights for the weak
Voices to plead the cause
Of those who can't speak

*God of the poor
Friend of the weak
Give us compassion we pray
Melt our cold hearts
Let tears fall like rain
Come, change our love
From a spark to a flame*

Refuge from cruel wars
Havens from fear
Cities for sanctuary
Freedoms to share
Peace to the killing-fields
Scorched earth to green
Christ for the bitterness
His cross for the pain

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Rest for the ravaged earth
Oceans and streams
Plundered and poisoned
Our future, our dreams
Lord, end our madness
Carelessness, greed
Make us content with
The things that we need

Lighten our darkness
Breathe on this flame
Until your justice
Burns brightly again
Until the nations
Learn of your ways
Seek your salvation
And bring you their praise

Prayers

If we have worshipped you as a relic from the past,
a theological concept, a religious novelty,
but not as the living God:

God, forgive us.

If we have heard stories of struggle, with no intention of sharing
the burden or pain:

God, forgive us.

If we have identified the misuse of power but failed to prophesy
against it, and refused to empower the weak:

God, forgive us.

If we have sung songs in praise of your creation, while defiling the
goodness of the earth:

God, forgive us.

The Lord says: I will bring my people back to me.

I will love them with all my heart.

No longer am I angry with them.

I will be to the people like rain in a dry land.

This is the promise of God.

Amen, Thanks be to God.

*We are led in prayer in response to what we have seen and heard
and said this morning.*

This week's prayer from the Church of England

Loving God,

at this time of crisis

when so many are suffering,

we pray for our nation and our world.

Give our leaders wisdom, our Health Service strength,
our people hope.

Lead us through these parched and difficult days

to the fresh springs of joy and comfort that we find in Jesus Christ
our Lord.

Amen

Our prayers end with the Lord's Prayer:

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done

on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation

but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours

now and for ever. Amen

Hymn - Will you come and follow me?

- 1 Will you come and follow me
if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown,
in you and you in me?

- 2 Will you leave yourself behind
if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer prayer
in you and you in me?

- 3 Will you let the blinded see
if I but call your name?
Will you set the prisoners free
and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean
in you and you in me?

- 4 Will you love the 'you' you hide
if I but call your name?
Will you quell the fear inside
and never be the same?
Will you use the faith you've found
to reshape the world around,
through my sight and touch and sound
in you and you in me?

5 Lord, your summons echoes true
when you but call my name.
Let me turn and follow you
and never be the same.
In your company I'll go
where your love and footsteps show.
Thus I'll move and live and grow
in you and you in me.

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Services this Week

Monday

8.45am Morning Prayer

Tuesday

8.45 Morning Prayer

Wednesday

10am Eucharist

Thursday

8.45 am Morning Prayer
7.30 for 7.45pm Compline

Sunday

10am Zoom worship

The Blessing

May the outrageous welcome of the Father
accept us for who we are;
may the incarnation of the Word
touch and hold us close;
may the wandering of the Spirit
help us risk ourselves for love
and the blessing and joy of God be with each one of us
scattered yet together
this day and always

Amen