# 1 – 7 November

## Gratitude and thanksgiving

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

### Read and reflect on Scripture

Read aloud **Philippians 4: 4-10.**
Read quietly to yourself. Is there any word or phrase holding your attention?
Can this help guide your prayers?

Give thanks and praise for:

- All Saints Day on Sun 1 Nov
- remembrance of loved ones who are now in glory
- thanksgiving for Harvest
- God's creation in the autumn season
- daily blessings
- help in challenging times
- families and friends
- midweek prayer meetings every Wednesday
- JAM: young people and leaders and their trip to Sorted on Sat 7 Nov
- **St Mary's Preschool**
- the speaker on Sun 8 Nov
- sermon series on Colossians

**Psalm 19**

### Collect

O Almighty God,
who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord:
Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living,
that we may come to those unspeakable joys, which thou hast prepared for them that unfeignedly love thee;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
**Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

# 8 – 14 November

## Peace and provision

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

### Read and reflect on Scripture

Read aloud **Revelation 21: 1-8.**
Read quietly to yourself. Is there any word or phrase holding your attention?
Can this help guide your prayers?

Pray for:

- Lunch Club on Mon 9 Nov
- Remembrance Day on Wed 11 Nov
- wisdom in making decisions
- strength for the weary
- confidence in God at all times
- His peace transcends all understanding
- unity, support and encouragement
- growth of the work of Stewartby and Wootton Churches Together
- more assistant leaders for the young people's group
- young families with children of Climber group age
- the speaker on Sun 15 Nov

**Psalm 91**

### Collect

O Lord, from whom all good things come:
grant to us your humble servants,
that by your holy inspiration
we may think those things that are good,
and by your merciful guiding may perform the same;
through our Lord Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

# 15 – 22 November

## Obedience

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

### Read and reflect on Scripture

Read aloud **1 Samuel 15: 22-23.**
Read quietly to yourself. Is there any word or phrase holding your attention?
Can this help guide your prayers?

Pray for:

- PCC meeting on Mon 16 Nov
- putting on the armour of God: the belt of truth, breastplate of righteousness, shoes of peace, shield of faith, helmet of salvation, and sword of the Spirit, the word of God (**Ephesians 6: 13-17**)
- seek first the kingdom of God
- faithful in prayer
- Wednesday prayer meeting
- family
- the vulnerable, those sleeping rough
- preparation for **Christmas wreath making** on Sat 21 Nov
- appointment of a Parish Administrator
- church finances
- growth groups
- prayer partners

**Psalm 141**

### Collect

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless
till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts
and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit one God,
now and for ever.
**Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

# 23 – 31 November

## Community mission outreach

The Lord is here. **His Spirit is with us.**

### Read and reflect on Scripture

Read aloud **Colossians 3: 11-17.**
Read quietly to yourself. Is there any word or phrase holding your attention?
Can this help guide your prayers?

Pray for:

- Advent Sunday (29 Nov): preparation and reflection on Christ's birth
- Wootton and Stewartby churches working in unity
- Thanksgiving for God's faithfulness
- our neighbours
- peace in our world
- preparation for school assemblies in church
- vicar Joseph to have health and strength at this busy time of year
- **Festive**, one of our **mission partners**, preparing Christmas outreach – to put copies of Luke's Gospel into students' hands
- **Bedford Foodbank**

*Support Festive*

*Support Bedford Foodbank*

**Psalm 100**

### Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son,
the King of kings and Lord of lords:
Mercifully grant that the peoples of
the earth, divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his most gracious rule;
who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
**Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer