## **Christ Church Prayer and Gift Day**

As with many organisations, church finances have been depleted by the effects of Covid 19.

Thank you to those of you who already give to support the work of the church. Everyone should give within their means; however, we are asking, can you give more?

Consider prayerfully before God your commitments and ask Him to guide you in your response to this request.

Christ Church will be open on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> October, 10am-12noon for prayer and gifts to be brought before the Lord. You can also give online at <u>https://mountsorrelchurch.org/donate/</u>

## **Prayer** – Some pointers for prayer

- For those who lead our church
- ✤ For those in positions of responsibility, Church Wardens, PCC members, Treasurer
- Children and family workers, Alison and Linda,
- ✤ Lay Readers, Edmund and Helen
- For Outreach and Mission to be fruitful
- Fellow church members
- For the sick, bereaved, lonely and those who need our prayers
- For the financial position of the church

**Reflect** - Think prayerfully about the verses from scripture given below:

*O Lord, our God, how majestic is your name in all the earth. Psalm: 8: v10* 

The Lord is my shepherd. I shall not be in want...He restores my soul, He guides me. Psalm: 23 v1and 3

God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in times of trouble. *Psalm:* 46 v1

The Lord is my rock, my deliverer, My God is my rock in whom I take refuge. He is my shield...my salvation, my stronghold. Call to the Lord who is worthy of praise. *Psalm:* 18 v2-3

*Praise be to the Lord, the God of Israel, from everlasting to everlasting, Amen, Amen. Psalm: 41 v13* 

*Celebrate...the Lord your God by giving a freewill offering in proportion to the blessings the Lord your God has given you. Deuteronomy: 16 v10* 

*The righteous give generously. Psalm 37: v21* 

One man gives freely, yet gains even more; another withholds unduly, but comes to poverty. A generous man will prosper; he who refreshes others will himself be refreshed. Proverbs: v24-25

*Give and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. Luke:* 6 v38

The Lord Jesus Himself said, "It is more blessed to give than to receive." Acts: 20: v35b

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. You will be made rich in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion...Your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God. 2 Corinthians: 9 v7 & v11