



It's such good news when churches and Christians are working together towards God's Kingdom – let me know if you are aware of people working towards unity so I can share more widely!

Deadline for the December newsletter - 25th November.

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Churches Together in Herefordshire – Church Lifeline Update



Churches Together in Herefordshire is continuing to hold a monthly Zoom call where churches' representatives can check in and pick up information about resources and social action projects, as well as hearing about Vennture activities in the county. The next one is on Wednesday 3rd November at 11.00am when Lisa Charles, Project Lead for the Homeless Support Programme at Vennture will be giving us an update on their response to homelessness, rough sleeping and sofa-surfing this winter.

Please contact Anna - herefordshireceo@gmail.com for the link - newcomers welcome particularly if you would like to know more about how Vennture supports vulnerable people to help themselves.

Churches Together in Hereford city - Open Meeting and AGM



Churches and Christians in Hereford are continuing the process of planning the way forward for the Churches Together in Hereford city group and are inviting anyone who cares for unity in Hereford to come to their Open Meeting on Tuesday 30th November, 7-8pm at St Peter's Church, Hereford. They hope to plan what the churches can do together in 2022 – all welcome.

Churches Together in Weobley - Harvest



The churches in Weobley came together in St Peter's & St Paul's Church in Weobley last month for their annual Harvest celebrations, followed by a delicious lunch.

Christians Together in Orleton – Joint Worship plans



After some time of regular monthly ecumenical worship, Christians Together in Orleton are trialling joint services, having canvassed both congregations. Services will alternate between St George's Anglican Church and the Methodist Chapel, with Anglican and Methodist service leaders. They say: "We believe that this coming together of congregations will demonstrate a oneness in faith and purpose, as well as being good for the environment with only one building being heated!" The success of this move will be reviewed in the New Year but the hope is that this will become an established pattern of worship in Orleton.

Eco Service



Last month, Christians Together in Orleton held a joint Ecology Service at which they invited people to meditatively consider God's creation and explore the diversity of the churchyard. They are also planning an After School Club for Years 5 & 6 children to explore the village and their surroundings. This ecumenical and ecological project is entitled

'Finding Out' and is part of CTiO's work with the local school.

Prayer for Youth - Zoom

A group of people from a variety of



different churches are coming together on a monthly basis via Zoom to pray for just an hour for young people across the county. The prayer feeds in to the different youth projects and chaplaincies in the colleges and University. This is an open group and you are more than welcome to join the call – next one on Tuesday 30th November at 7pm. Contact David Morris for the link David.Morris@hereford.anglican.org

Hereford Food Bank – current needs



At their recent AGM, Hereford Food Bank reported how the organisation has had to expand its operations over the last 12 months, to respond to growing food poverty in the city.

They are expecting the winter months to be challenging so would appreciate donations of tinned meat and fish, rice, UHT milk, baby wipes and food for vegetarians. Washing powder, cleaning products and long-life carriers would also be welcome. There are donation points in nearly all the supermarkets in Hereford; donations of money can be done online [here](https://herefordfoodbank.co.uk/)

Bridge Building network – schools and churches links

This open network for Christians



supporting any local schools is meeting again this month, to share resources, pray and receive support and training to help build stronger bridges with their schools. It is organised by the Anglican Diocese of Hereford but is open to all churches. The next meeting on Zoom will take place on Wednesday 24th November 10-11am. Register for the meeting [here](#)

Hereford Interfaith Group – 'Coming to Rest'



Join members of Herefordshire Interfaith Group on Thursday 18th November on Zoom, from 7-8.45pm, as they draw on the wisdom of a variety of spiritual traditions to look at the theme of 'Coming to Rest'. All are welcome – those of all faiths and none - to spend time exploring readings, meditations, contemplation and music.

To register in advance, contact Mike on 01981 500764 or email mikejhadden@gmail.com

Vinesong – in concert



Vinesong, an international and interdenominational team of Christian missionaries, sharing

the Gospel through worship and the word, are visiting Tenbury Wells. They will be at St Mary's Church on Friday 12th November from 7-9pm – admission free. <https://www.vinesong.com/>

HOPE Together – Christmas Magazine

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The Christmas 2021 issue of 'Hope for All' magazine highlights surprising stories of



hope: actress Sally Phillips, artist Charlie Mackesy and footballer Marcus Rashford. Perhaps you could use 'Hope for All' as a free gift from your church or Churches Together group to your community, together with an invitation to your Christmas events. Copies cost just 10p each and can be ordered [here](#).

Churches Together in Britain & Ireland – COP26



Churches Together in Britain and Ireland has collected together the latest responses, resources and ways to take action in support of climate change during and after the UN Climate Change Conference – COP26 in Glasgow. Links and info [here](#)