

## Using our gifts to bless our Community



Start here! This week marks the final 'Blessings' session in our series. We really hope it's helped you to talk about, notice and ponder the blessings that God has given to each of you and how He wants to use YOU and your family to bless others. We focus on using our gifts to bless our community this week.

\*\*POP OVER AND HAVE A WATCH NOW\*\*

We're getting well in to the Summer Holidays now – we do hope you'll be able to join us in our virtual holiday club as we Adventure with Noses, The Good Samaritan, The Apostles and Jesus himself over the next 5 weeks! Please drop Nicola an email if you've not already signed up!

READ Acts 2 verses 14 and 42-45 together: Here we get a glimpse into how the number of people in the first church grew and grew. The amazing news of Jesus had filled the hearts and lives of the disciples and they couldn't help but let that love overflow to those around them. With everything they had, they wanted to bless the others around them. They were selling things they had to be able to give money to those who needed it. They were together and encouraged one another. They shared time and food together – something we all love to do isn't it (as long as we do it extra safely at the moment!)? The way that the disciples cared for and showed love to those around them, allowed God's love to be seen and helped others to see that Jesus loves everyone and wants them to know Him too.

Have a chat: Over the Summer, could you serve those in your community by doing something helpful for them? Remember that God made each of us really good at different things – we sometimes call these our gifts! How might you use your gift to bless Bedworth?



## **Worship Time**

Grab your CD out/Open YouTube up and press play on The Beatitudes Song



#### Father God in heaven,

Thank you for beginning to teach us all about the blessings you want to shower on us as we follow you and involve you in our lives. Help us to bless Bedworth this Summer with the things you've made us great at!

Amen.





## **Blessing our Community with our Gifts**

Worship at home

We're at the end of our series on Blessings! What has stood out to you most or been on your heart over the last few weeks? Do you have any questions we could explore together? Pop them to Nicola by email if so! (nicola@bedworthparish.org)

The BIG Q



Perhaps you already know what God has made you really good at and what your 'gift(s)' might be. Perhaps you're really not sure at the moment but could try different things out that God has put on your mind. You might feel really strongly about something, want to stand up for certain groups of people who are being mistreated? You might have a heart for justice and fairness. Sometimes it takes a little while to discover what gifts God has given us that He wants us to use to bless people around us.

With the school holidays under way, you might be preparing for a new school or a new teacher in September. Can you think of things you enjoy, are good at or feel really passionate about? Maybe this Summer you could spent time trying to do more of these things and start discovering more of what God has planned for you!



Create a list for yourself of 'random acts of kindness' that you could carry out over the Summer that explore the gifts that you feel God may have given to you.

**Worship/reflection Time** 





**Robot by Cheeky Pandas** 

# Colourful praying hands for in your window





This could be a nice reminder to you but also a sign for your neighbours or people that pass by your window, that you are praying for them.

Templates you need are on the next pages, make them bold and beautifully coloured ©

## **Creative Prayer Activity**

## PRAYER ACTIVITY Kindness Postcards



## Equipment

Postcards or homemade cards, envelopes

### Set up

An adult to help you find the address of a local care home

#### Instructions

Elderly people in care homes sometimes feel lonely because they miss family and friends.

Brighten someone's day by drawing a picture or writing an encouraging message on a postcard and send it to a care home in your area.

Ask an adult to address it to 'The Residents' and put it in the post, Pray that those who read it will feel loved and valued.

For more information visit ageuk,org,uk



