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In Romans 8 we have a passage that is rich in a way that far exceeds what we could ever imagine. It speaks of the work of the Holy Spirit in the life of a believer. Jesus had used the analogy of the wind to drive home his point concerning the invisible yet undeniable work of the Holy Spirit. In that analogy we are confronted with the fact that despite the reality that we cannot know the where - abouts of the wind its effect is plain to everyone. The Holy Spirit works in the same way! We may not exactly understand how the Holy Spirit works, but we can see the effect of His work.

Romans 8 points to the work of the Holy Spirit, who though invisible yet is undeniably working in a person's life. Like the wind, the Holy Spirit is invisible to our naked eyes. Like the wind, the Holy Spirit works in ways we do not know and see. Nevertheless, like the wind though unseen but we hear its sound; the work of the Holy Spirit may be hidden the results are visible.

The Holy Spirit works in our lives to produce new life, and the gifts and the fruit of the Holy Spirit. The blessings (the beatitudes) follow, as we allow Him the freedom to work in us.

But the life in obedience to the Holy Spirit brings life and peace (v. 6). The indwelling of the Holy Spirit in our lives provides us with power necessary to live a righteous life. It is our responsibility to listen and carry out the prompting of the Holy Spirit.

Blessings,

Garth

Notice from Redditch food bank:

If you are kindly donating to the food bank, they are getting really short of the following: Thank you

Tinned cold meat	Meals in tins	Fruit Juice	Spaghetti in a tin
Honey	Peanut Butter	Hot chocolate	

The Word Christian Bookshop

Based within St Stephen's the Christian Word Shop is your local Christian resource centre. Situated right in the town centre of Redditch they stock a wide range of Bibles, books, greetings cards and gifts to suit all tastes, pockets and occasions!

Open Monday to Saturday.9.30am to 4.30pm.

What do they stock?

Bibles and Bible Cases

Greeting Cards including Birth, Dedication, Christening, Baptism cards etc.

Sunday School Material

Children's Items Including Pop-up books and Children's Bibles

Music Including major and some of the less well known modern Christian bands.

Christian Books Including Bible studies and Alpha books and materials.

Giftware Including silk scarves, crosses and crucifix's etc

Daily Bible Readings such as Every Day With Jesus, Light and New Daylight.

The Shop is an independent not-for-profit organisation, whose profits go back into the community.

Services

Today

10:30am Worship for Everyone with Amanda Worley
John 1:1-18 'The Holy Spirit - New Birth'

6:30pm Holy Communion with Revd. Ian Evans

Next Sunday

10:30am Morning Worship with Revd. Garth Nathaniel & Rosie Humphrey
Acts 1:1-11 'The Holy Spirit - New Gifts'

6:30pm Evening Worship with Mike Palfreyman

Diary dates

Thurs 9:30am Holy Communion - St. John's, followed by coffee morning.

Mon 25th June 1 - 3pm Card making at Lynda's house

Tues 3rd July 7:45pm DCC meeting - St. John's

Tues 7th August Standing Committee meeting

Lectionary Readings WB 29 May - 4 June

Mon Tob 1.1, 2, 2.1-8 or 1 Pet 1.3-9; Ps 15 or 111; Mk 12.1-12

Tues Tob 2.9-end or 1 Pet 1.10-16; Ps 112 or 98.1-5; Mk 12.13-17

Wed Tob 3.1-11, 16-end or 1 Pet 1.18-25; Ps 25.1-8 or 147.13-end; Mk 12.18-27

Thurs Tob 6.10-11, 7.1-15, 8.4-8 or 1 Pet 2.2-5, 9-12; Ps 128 or 100; Mk 12.28-34

Fri Tob 11.5-15 or 1 Pet 4.7-13; Ps 146 or 96.10-end; Mk 12.35-37

Sat Tob 12.1, 5-15, 20a or Jude 17, 20-25; Ps 103.1, 8-13 or 63.1-6; Mk 12.38-end

Card Making

This will be at Lynda's house on Monday 25th June and 23rd July, 1 - 3pm.
33 Atherstone Close B98 0BD. Small charge of £3 for materials, refreshments included.

Please let her know if you are coming.

Collect for the week

O God, the strength of all those who put their trust in You, mercifully accept our prayers and, because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without You, grant us the help of Your grace, that in keeping of your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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.

Call Ann Donovan (for prayer chain) in the first instance on 01527 527789.

Please pray for:

- ❖ Garth and Jenny, Richard and Wendy, Ian and Judy.
- ❖ Licensed Lay Ministers – Maureen, Rosie and Vicki.
- ❖ Church Warden – Barry Humphrey.
- ❖ Parish Warden - Andrea Mortimer.
- ❖ The members of St. John's who make up the new DCC.
- ❖ Those looking for work or starting new jobs
- ❖ The Kigezi Water and Sanitation project we are supporting.
- ❖ Alex Hospital: Staff, patients & chaplaincy team serving the community.
- ❖ Graeme and Jackie Russell - Community Missioner in Christ Church.
- ❖ Chaplains of the Kingfisher Centre visiting and supporting shop workers.
- ❖ Jenny Mosley recovering from a major operation
- ❖ Parish Prayers: Haseley Close Matchborough, Far Moor Lane, Winyates Green, Fladbury Close Woodrow, Costers Lane Winyates

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