



Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> November – The Widow's Offering

**Read:** Mark 12:38-44

Jesus was teaching a large crowd and began to warn them about teachers of the law – especially teachers of the law who like to show off wearing fancy clothes, wanting everyone to see them and making sure they have the best seats at the feasts. These people, Jesus said were only doing things to show off – not to do God's work.

Jesus then moved closer to where people gave their temple offerings. While he was there, he watched lots of wealthy people put large amounts of money into the collection pot. A poor widow came and put two small copper coins into the pot. Jesus called his disciples over and explained that although the widow only gave a small amount of money, she had actually put more into the collection than any of the other rich people. The widow couldn't afford to give a lot of money, but she gave everything that she had – everything she had to live on. She gave her all to Jesus.

**Watch:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cauP52JaBdQ> (Brunstad TV Kids)

Who did Jesus warn people about? What were they doing that was wrong? How much money did the rich people give for their collection? How much did the widow give? Who gave the most? Why do you think this? What should we give?

**Do:** Colouring Page - <https://sundayschoolzone.com/activity/cheerful-giver-coloring-page/view/>

Money Box Craft - <http://sabbathschoolcrafts.com/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/the-poor-widow-money-box.pdf>

Word scramble - <https://sundayschoolzone.com/activity/jesus-taught-about-giving-word-scramble/view/>

Colour by numbers - <https://sundayschoolzone.com/activity/jesus-taught-about-giving-color-by-number-activity/view/>

What does the Bible say? – can you find other examples of people giving generously in the Bible (for example Luke 1:4-7, Luke 7:36-38, Luke 15:11-32)

**Pray:** God help us to be considerate of others and to give generously. Amen

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Give wisdom to the doctors and nurses too we pray,  
renew their strength and bless them for the work they do each day.

Send healing and restoration and let them feel your love.

May your Holy Spirit give them rest as gentle as a dove. Amen

(Taken from Praying Together)

**Share** – Find some coins and make so coin rubbings – as you work think about how you can be generous to others.



Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> November - Remembrance Sunday

**Read:** James 4:1, 6-7

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*What causes wars and fighting among you?*

*Is it not your selfishness at war inside your hearts? Greed, pride, envy etc.*

*But God opposes the proud and gives grace to the humble.*

*Submit yourselves therefore to God.*

*Draw near to God and he will draw near to you.*

God's peace gift to us is Jesus. He is God's gift to all who will receive Him. Jesus makes peace with God for us and as we learn how to pass this gift on, we become peacemakers and peace-givers too. He empowers us to be peace-bringers. (BRF)

**Watch:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=doalcouBKwc> – The Poppy Story

Why do we wear a poppy? What colour are the poppies? What do the collections go towards? How can we remember today?

<https://vimeo.com/showcase/6966586/video/416435231> - Norah, RBL

**Do:** Colouring Page -

<https://static1.squarespace.com/static/5cc6c2d2fd679322b4328e24/t/5db0402d9e306603ccd1f456/1571831854899/Poppy+Poem+Colouring+CCS-1.pdf>

Remembrance Stones - <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/globalassets/docs-and-resources/programme-and-activities/activity-cards/remembrance---brownies---stones-of-remembrance-final.pdf>

The Unknown Soldier - <https://www.westminster-abbey.org/abbey-commemorations/commemorations/unknown-warrior>

Using information about the unknown soldier come up with a way to tell others the unknown soldiers story.

**Pray:** Dear God, it is important for us to remember the sacrifice others made so that we could live the lives we have today. Be with all those who mourn and help us to learn from our history. Amen

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**Share** – ask an adult to explain why they take part in an act of remembrance each year.



Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November – The Kingship of Christ

**Read:** John 18:33-37

Jesus truly was a King, and today in Church is a special day as we celebrate the Kingship of Christ – we are celebrating that Jesus was a King, who came to earth for us, and died for our sins. In our reading Jesus is being questioned by Pilate. Pilate asks Jesus ‘Are you the King of the Jews?’ Jesus does not give a simple yes or no answer but instead explains to Pilate that his Kingdom is currently of another place, meaning the Kingdom of God, but that he came to earth is to tell the people the truth about God. Jesus is the true King and today we celebrate that.

**Watch:** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BxBTV2M5mhk> (Superbook)

Why was Jesus arrested? Who sent him to Pilate? What questions did Pilate ask? How did Jesus answer? What do we celebrate today?

**Do:** Craft – Make a crown - <https://www.firstpalette.com/pdf/princesscrown2.pdf>

Crossword - [https://sermons4kids.com/born\\_to\\_be\\_king\\_crossword.htm?fromSermonId=567](https://sermons4kids.com/born_to_be_king_crossword.htm?fromSermonId=567)

Wordsearch - [https://sermons4kids.com/born\\_to\\_be\\_king\\_wordsearch.htm?fromSermonId=567](https://sermons4kids.com/born_to_be_king_wordsearch.htm?fromSermonId=567)

Hot seating – put Pilate on the Hot seat. How did he feel questioning Jesus? Why did he ask the questions? How was he feeling when Jesus answered? What other questions do you have for Pilate?

**Pray:** Jesus is King! Amen

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**Share** – Make a crown for someone who lives in your house – use this as a reminder that Jesus is King.



Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November – Advent Sunday

**Read:** Jeremiah 33:14-16

Today is a special day in the Church Year – it is the start of the Church Year. We start by preparing for Christmas and marking the four weeks leading to Christmas. This is called Advent. Advent is a time of preparing and praying. It is a time of excitement and joy. It is also a time of patience! Sometimes it feels like Christmas will never get here! In our reading today we hear in the Old Testament what is going to happen – ‘in those days and at that time...he will be called our righteous saviour.’ Long ago, before Jesus was born people called prophets began to tell people what was going to happen – when the time is right, a Saviour would be born. Advent is a time to prepare for the celebration of the birth of a Saviour!

**Watch:**

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=D1TPjdb8Enc>

Why do we use a wreath to mark advent? What does the first week or Advent represent? What did the people of the Old Testament hope for? What does Jeremiah tell us will happen?

**Do:**

Make an Advent Wreath -

[https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5ETRkL51fhMUUFyTWs2QlhOdW8/view?resourcekey=0-b8vbede0eOSwU9M0E3\\_4Yw](https://drive.google.com/file/d/0B5ETRkL51fhMUUFyTWs2QlhOdW8/view?resourcekey=0-b8vbede0eOSwU9M0E3_4Yw)

Prayer Activity from video – on a square of paper write a hope you have. Fold each corner of the paper into the centre. Place the hope in a bowl of water and watch as slowly your hope will be revealed. Take turns to do this and thank God he is the God of hope.

Colouring Page – <https://cdn.www.ministry-to-children.com/wp-content/uploads/2010/11/Christmas-Coloring-pages-hope.pdf>

**Pray:**

Heavenly Father, through this season of Advent, we prepare for our Christmas celebrations of the birth of your Son Jesus Christ.

In all the busy times help us to see the importance of your love for us. Show us new ways to share the message of your love for all people. We pray this in the name of Jesus, whose coming we eagerly await. Amen. (taken from Praying Together)

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**Share** – Advent allows us to take time to prepare for Christmas – take 5 minutes each day to read part of the Christmas Story. Share what you learn with others.