

Our vision is that our congregations and churches should be...

**Growing in faith,  
growing in loving service  
& growing in numbers.**

Our development priorities are:

- a. *Grow Tea Time Church into a viable, sustainable new congregation of at least 50 sharing weekly family-friendly, informal, contemporary worship by the end of 2020*
- b. *Seek a joint venture to refurbish the URC site to provide recreational, meeting and worship facilities for the village and the churches.*
- c. *Help each one of us draw nearer to God by deepening our understanding of our Christian faith.*

**A prayer for Church Growth**

God of Mission  
Who alone brings growth to your Church,  
Send your Holy Spirit  
To give vision to our planning,  
Wisdom to our actions,  
And power to our witness.  
Help our church to grow,  
To deepen our spiritual commitment to you,  
And to reach out in service to our local community.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen

If you have any suggestions for amendments or additions please contact the Parish Office.

Your personal prayer requests can also be passed on via the Parish Office, pinned to the Prayer board in church or emailed in confidence to [prayer@sth-stp.org](mailto:prayer@sth-stp.org).

This Prayer Cycle is also on our website: [www.sth-stp.org](http://www.sth-stp.org)  
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# Cycle of prayer

**“Devote yourselves to prayer, keeping alert  
in it with thanksgiving.”** *Colossians 4*

This monthly cycle of prayer is for your personal use as an individual, a family or in one of our GROWING IN FAITH groups. It covers aspects of:

- ✓ our church life
- ✓ our village community
- ✓ outreach and Charity Partners supported by our church

# Prayer Calendar

Please add these concerns for our village and our church to your own prayers each day.

Any Month 2018/2019						
<b>1</b> <b>Tea Time Church</b> <b>For the growth of this family-friendly and informal congregation</b>	<b>2</b> Everyone in our village affected by poverty, addiction issues or domestic violence.	<b>3</b> Those involved in pastoral care and the Home Communion team	<b>4</b> Our Ministry team, Churchwarden, PCC and their families	<b>5</b> Macintyre Home, staff and residents, the Thursday Club and those who are infirm or lonely in our village	<b>6</b> <b>For all those who belong to or lead a Home group. For those attending growing in faith courses.</b>	<b>7</b> For all those involved in Coffee in the Chancel, the Summer Hamper project and Sunday lunches.
<b>8</b> Neighbours in the village and all those living in the same road as you.	<b>9</b> The work of the <b>Children's Society</b> in this country	<b>10</b> Church cleaners, flower arrangers, the recycling team & behind the scenes workers.	<b>11</b> <b>Local Police and Fire service, Ambulance crews and everyone involved in healthcare</b>	<b>12</b> For friends who are not Christians, that they might hear about the love of God.	<b>13</b> All who contribute to music in our different congregations. Bell-ringers and those on the sound system rota.	<b>14</b> Wheathampstead Churches Together including The Vine magazine
<b>15</b> Wheathampstead Friends and the Wheathampstead Community Group	<b>16</b> Sidespeople and welcomers who make our churches friendly places.	<b>17</b> The <b>Azalea</b> charity supporting vulnerable women and their children in Luton.	<b>18</b>  Women's Fellowship	<b>19</b> <b>Work to refurbish the URC hall as a community resource and provide a gym in the church building</b>	<b>20</b> All those individuals supported by the <b>St Helen's Community Fund</b>	<b>21</b> All those volunteers involved in work with children, families and young people in our churches
<b>22</b> Visitors to our churches and all those married or Christened here this year.	<b>23</b> The Watford and Three Rivers Refugee Partnership and the Wheathampstead Foodbank	<b>24</b> Fabric committee and working parties and contractors working to improve our buildings	<b>25</b> Mel, our <b>Parish Administrator</b> and all who help in the office	<b>26</b> The <b>Kimbilio Project</b> run by the Congo Children's Trust	<b>27</b> Our work & relationships with <b>Beech Hyde &amp; St Helen's Schools</b>	<b>28</b> <i>Sunday Coffee rota volunteers, Hospitality Team and drivers rota</i>
<b>29</b> The 2:67 Project and STEP working with children and young people in the area	<b>30</b> <b>Orphans Know More</b> supporting families in Uganda in practical ways.	<b>31</b> Our Parish Councilors, District Council and MP	<b>Your Notes &amp; Prayers:</b>			

**And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people. *Ephesians 6:18***