

God calls... everyone, everywhere: Exploring calling together in groups

This sheet is for those who want to use the 'God calls... everyone, everywhere' materials with a group. We are sure that you will have plenty of ideas, so we offer the information and suggestions below simply as a starter.

Before Sunday 6 February:

- Help your group commit to watching the daily videos together, either online or together, if restrictions allow. Sign up to receive the daily content here. Perhaps use this prayer:

God of everywhere, I commit to exploring your call to me this week. Strengthen me when I feel inadequate or uncertain and help me to understand more fully who you might be calling me to be. In Jesus' name. Amen

- Consider how your group might support and connect with each other during the week. You could meet together, use a WhatsApp group, phone calls, Zoom or whatever works to share experiences and encourage each other.

Monday 17 January	Launch of The Calling Podcast with the first of five episodes. Listen here		
Monday 24 January	Reflection from Bishop Ruth available for use in churches or at home		
Sunday 6 February	Call to Worship on Zoom with Bishop Ruth on the theme of calling. Sign up to join here		
Monday 7 February	Hearing God's call 1	<p>Each weekday there will be resources available on the website and social media (and sent to those who signed up.)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A video of people talking about their experiences of calling, focusing on particular questions. • A sheet to help reflect on the questions for that day. <p>You could ask people to find a way of recording their response to each day. Some people like to journal, write, draw or record a short video, which might simply be their answers to the questions posed.</p> <p>All the videos will be available on the YouTube channel.</p>	
Tuesday 8 February	Calling - encouragement from the Bible		
Wednesday 9 February	Called to be		
Thursday 10 February	Calling - it's not always straightforward		
Friday 11 February	Hearing God's call 2		
Saturday 12 February	<p>A choice of online gathering, to come together to celebrate and share.</p> <p>10 - 11am Archdeacon of Bath 11.30am - 12.30pm Archdeacon of Wells 2 - 3pm Archdeacon of Taunton</p> <p>It would be great to make signing up to a gathering part of your group's week together. Sign up here.</p>		

When you have finished the week together, you might like to consider how you continue to support each other. Perhaps arrange a future session and agree that you will go away and reflect how God might be calling you individually and collectively.

- Has God revealed anything new to you about calling generally and your own calling?
- What impact has your exploration of calling had on your relationship with God and the world around you?

Please share any of your ideas or questions with Cheryl Govier cheryl.govier@bathwells.anglican.org or **07848 028620**