

From this passage there are a variety of themes that have been developed in the prayer room:

1. River of life – God’s invitation to us to go deeper with Him// Spiritual LIFE made possible by God’s Holy Spirit, the Living Water.
2. Trees & the fruit of the Spirit that He wants to grow in our lives (love joy peace patience kindness goodness faithfulness gentleness self-control) // Spiritual fruit in our lives & churches & communities
3. Healing – both physical & metaphorical In Revelation 22:2 this idea is developed “ On each side of the river grew a tree of life, bearing twelve crops of fruit,^[a] with a fresh crop each month. The leaves were used for medicine to heal the nations.”
4. Peace - You may find this helpful from 24/7 prayer.
Pray for Peace in Israel and Gaza - 24-7 Prayer International
Pray for Refugees and Displaced People - 24-7 Prayer International
5. Praying for people & places around the diocese e.g. your local clergy /rural dean /archdeacon
6. For the work of Vennture among the vulnerable in Hereford
[Vennture – Love people better](#)
7. ADVENT Light in the darkness – Praying for light in the darkness (based on an inscription on the light from Psalm 112 “Even in darkness light dawns for the upright,” These resources from 24/7 prayer may be helpful
[Advent 2023 - 24-7 Prayer GB](#)



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The Prayer Room in the Bishop's chapel is open from 6 am till 10 pm and you can sign up to pray either in person or at home, at any time night or day, register online at www.signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/22c5e4

If you are praying from a distance and use Facebook, you can see images of the prayer room on the Archdeacon of Hereford's Prayer Station. This is a closed Facebook group, which you can join.

If you can't access this, you may like to watch [the Bishop of Hereford's weekly video](#), which will reveal more about the prayer room. A copy of the video transcript is available to download from the Diocesan website every week.

If you are not able to use either Facebook or the Internet but have access to email, please send an email to comms@hereford.anglican.org and we will email you a list of things you can pray for as well as offering you a timeslot to pray.

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If you're interested in putting your faith into action [visit our website](#) for ideas on how you can get involved.



*1 The man brought me back to the entrance to the temple, and I saw **water** coming out from under the threshold of the temple toward the east (for the temple faced east). The water was coming down from under the south side of the temple, south of the altar*

2 He then brought me out through the north gate and led me around the outside to the outer gate facing east, and the water was trickling from the south side.

*3 As the man went eastward with a measuring line in his hand, he measured off a thousand cubits[a] and then led me through water that was **ankle-deep**. 4 He measured off another thousand cubits and led me through water that was **knee-deep**. He measured off another thousand and led me through water that was up to the **waist**. 5 He measured off another thousand, but now it was a river that I could not cross, because the water had risen and was **deep enough to swim** in—a river that no one could cross. 6 He asked me, "Son of man, do you see this?"*

*Then he led me back to the bank of the river. 7 When I arrived there, I saw a great **number of trees** on each side of the river. 8 He said to me, "This water flows toward the eastern region and goes down into the Arabah,[b] where it enters the Dead Sea. When it empties into the sea, the salty **water there becomes fresh**. 9 Swarms of **living creatures will live wherever the river flows**. There will be large numbers of fish, because this water flows there and makes the salt water fresh; so **where the river flows everything will live**. 10 Fishermen will stand along the shore; from En Gedi to En Eglaim there will be places for spreading nets. The fish will be of many kinds—like the fish of the Mediterranean Sea. 11 But the swamps and marshes will not become fresh; they will be left for salt. 12 **Fruit trees** of all kinds will grow on both banks of the river. Their leaves will not wither, nor will their **fruit** fail. Every month they will bear fruit, because the water from the sanctuary flows to them. Their fruit will serve for food and **their leaves for healing**."*