

Make a list of all the different things you've seen today!

Flying things

Crawling things

Growing things

Falling things

Big things

Tiny things

every other kind
of thing!

About our Churchyards

Many of the Churchyards in our diocese have been here for hundreds and hundreds of years and they are used for lots of different things.



Sometimes, when someone we love has died, they are buried here and we can come to the churchyard to think about them and remember the things we used to do together.



Sometimes, when things get a bit busy in our lives or in our heads, we can come to the churchyard for some peace and quiet.



Sometimes, when we want to feel close to God, we can come to the churchyard to pray and to enjoy the beautiful world that God has made.



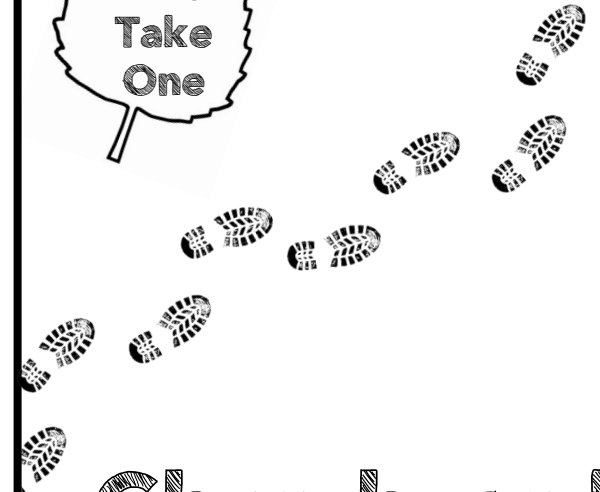
- What do you like about this churchyard?
- What's your favourite thing that you've seen or done here today?
- What are you going to look for next time you visit?



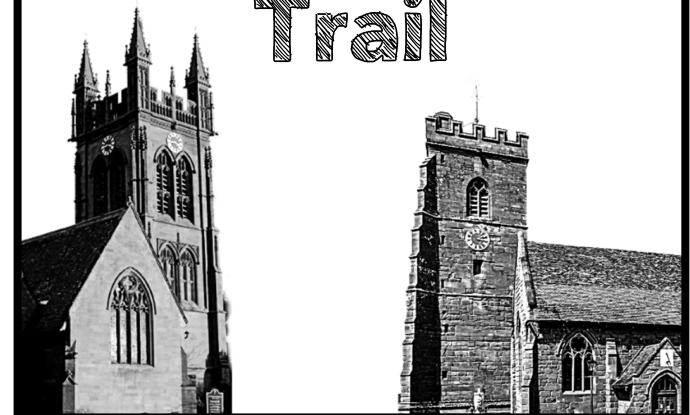
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Churchyard Trail



Activity

Look up at the Church tower, what can you see above you? Tell someone a story about what's happening up there.

Bible Verse

"The Lord is like a strong tower, where the righteous can go and be safe."

(Proverbs 18:10)

Prayer

Dear God, looking at this tall tower makes me think about , help me to remember that you are like this tower—strong and safe. Amen.



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Activity

What does the tree feel like? Do you know what kind it is? If not can you ask someone to help you work it out?

Bible Verse

"Let the trees in the woods sing for joy before the Lord!"

(1 Chronicles 16:33)

Prayer

Dear God, this tree makes me think about , help me to praise you, like this tree does.
Amen.



3

Activity

Look at the ground beneath your feet, can you see any teeny tiny creatures? Imagine being as small as them, what would the world be like?

Bible Verse

"God sits on his throne high above the earth. Its people look like ants to him."

(Isaiah 40:22)

Prayer

Dear God, these tiny creatures make me think about , help me to care for them like you care for me. Amen.



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Find the numbers to complete the churchyard trail!

Activity

Look at the gravestone in front of you, what does it tell you about the person buried here? What do you think their life was like?

Bible Verse

"These stones will remind the people of what the Lord has done."

(Joshua 4:6)

Prayer

Dear God, this gravestone makes me think about , help me to remember that you love everybody, including me. Amen.



2

Activity

What is the loudest thing you can hear?
What is the quietest thing you can hear?
What is making those different sounds?

Bible Verse

"Just listen to the animals, and they will teach you. Ask the birds, and they will tell you what God has done."

(Job 12:7)

Prayer

Dear God, these sounds make me think about , help me to listen to you as well. Amen.



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Activity

Look all around you, how many different colours can you see? Which is your favourite and why?

Bible Verse

"Look how the wild flowers grow—not even the richest person has clothes as beautiful as one of these flowers."

(Matthew 6:28-29)

Prayer

Dear God, looking at these colourful flowers makes me think about , help me to see the beauty all around me. Amen.



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