Week beginning 13th September

Grateful hearts, Generous Lives: Remember the Giver

Opening Questions

- If you had to explain to someone the meaning of the word generous, what would you say?
- Have you ever experienced an unexpected act of generosity from someone? What happened and how did it make you feel?

Getting in to the text

Read Luke 12:16-30

- What was the farmer's motivation is storing up so much grain?

- Why was this the wrong attitude to have?

- What do you think being 'rich towards God' means?

- What do Jesus' words tell us about God's care for creation and his provision for us?

Applying the Bible to your life

- Where do we look for security today? How can you guard against forgetting God's faithfulness when life is comfortable?

- What does thankful stewardship look like today in your personal life and in the life of the church? Have you put any strategies in place in your daily life which help or remind you to be a good steward?

Something to pray about

In Philippians 4:19 we read, **'….my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus.'**

- Give thanks to God for the way he provides for you and offer to him any situations where you or someone you know need his help.
- Ask God to show you where you can be generous (with time or resources) in the coming week.
- Pray for areas of this community and the wider world where people are struggling to provide for their families and for the organisations which are working to help them.