



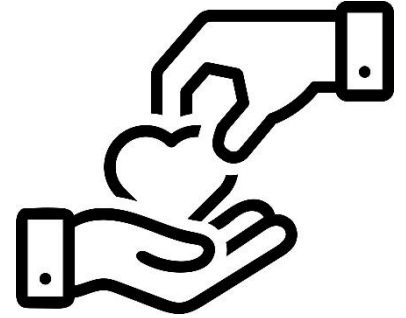
# Lancaster Christ Church C of E Primary School

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**Collective Worship Plan: Autumn 1 2025**

## Generosity

Generosity is the quality of being kind and unselfish, especially as it pertains to sharing money and other valuables with others. The Bible has a lot to say about generosity as a desirable character trait. Proverbs 22:9 says, "The generous will themselves be blessed, for they share their food with the poor." God is generous, and He expects us to follow His example.



God's generosity is evidenced all around us. God created this planet that is specially suited to sustain us and provide for our needs and pleasures. He supplies us with color, light, sound, air, and the ability to taste and enjoy, hear and appreciate, touch and be satisfied. Above all, God demonstrated His generosity when He offered His Son as a sacrifice to atone for our sin. In the face of such generosity, we can only say, "Thanks be to God for his indescribable gift!" (2 Corinthians 9:15). The gift of Jesus to sinful mankind was the ultimate act of generosity.

In our generosity, we are not to expect repayment in kind. Our reward will come from the Lord, in His way and in His time.

Today we set the worship table with the colour **green**, which reminds us of ordinary days; of plants and trees and a time to grow.

*We open the Bible to remind us...*

***That God speaks to us through his word.***

*We place the cross at the centre of our Worship table to remind us that...*

***Jesus is at the centre of our school.***

*We light the three candles to remind us...*

***That God's love burns brightly for each one of us; Father, Son and Holy Spirit.***

*Some people give much but get back even more. But others don't give what they should, and they end up poor. A person who gives to others will get richer. Whoever helps others will himself be helped. **Proverbs 11: 24-25***


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Week 1 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025

<b>Monday</b> 10.20am Whole school Miss Simpson	<b>Welcome back!</b>  <u>Back in school again</u>	
<b>Tuesday</b>  Key stage	<b>Choir Church</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b> 9.20am Whole school Rev'd Carol	Introduction to value <b>Generosity: Loving others as we love ourselves (R&amp;F)</b>  <i>Love your neighbour as yourself</i> <b>Mark 12.31</b>  <u>Share the light of Jesus (R&amp;F)</u>	
<b>Thursday</b> 10.20am Whole School Mrs Hooper & Mr Seaton	<b>Reflection and Praise</b>  <u>Share the light of Jesus</u> <u>Come and praise the Lord our king</u> <u>I will bring to you (the best gift)</u>	
<b>Friday</b>  10.20am Whole School Miss Simpson	<b>Celebration</b>  We gather together to celebrate our gifts and talents which many believe are given to us by God and which are precious to him.  The Bible says:   Let's celebrate and give thanks for those children whose gifts and talents have been recognised this week.	


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Week 2: 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025

<p><b>Monday</b> 10.20am Whole school Miss Simpson</p>	<p><b><u>The attitude of gratitude</u></b></p> <p><i>The Generous Widow</i> <b>Luke 21: 1 - 4</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3IC-E6dLvMs">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3IC-E6dLvMs</a></p> <p><i>I wonder who you think was the most generous person in the story? Why do you think that? I wonder why Jesus told this story? What do you think he wanted his followers to learn from it? I wonder where those two copper coins came from - did someone give them to the widow? Did she find them? Did she earn them? I wonder what work she did to try to survive?</i></p> <p><i>Jesus noticed the poor widow. He saw that she knew and loved God and that she trusted God to meet her needs, in every area of her life. This meant she was free to be generous and give her two copper coins away. I wonder if she smiled when she did so? I wonder who or what enabled you to be generous?</i></p> <p><b>Come and praise the Lord our king</b></p>	<p><b>Year 6</b></p> <p>Left hand side of Worship table in the school hall</p> <p>17.09.2025</p>
<p><b>Tuesday</b> Key stage</p>	<p><b>Choir Church</b></p>	
<p><b>Wednesday</b> 9.20am Whole school Rev'd Carol</p>	<p><b><u>The attitude of gratitude</u></b></p> <p>Gifts for building the temple 1 Chronicles 29. 1-13</p> <p>See attached</p> <p><b>I will bring to you (the best gift)</b></p>	
<p><b>Thursday</b> 10.20am Whole School Mrs Blezard &amp; Mrs Morrell</p>	<p><b><u>House Captain Speeches</u></b></p> <p>Garbett: Year 4 Bartlett: Year 1 Ashton: Year 3 Gregson: Year 6</p> <p>Nominations in the hall from 2.15pm - Year 6 → Reception</p>	<p><b>PLEASE DO NOT STICK POSTERS DIRECTLY ONTO WALLS! It pulls the paint off!</b></p>
<p><b>Friday</b> 10.20am Whole School Miss Simpson</p>	<p><b>Celebration</b></p> <p>We gather together to celebrate our gifts and talents which many believe are given to us by God and which are precious to him.</p> <p>The Bible says:</p>  <p>Let's celebrate and give thanks for those children whose gifts and talents have been recognised this week.</p>	

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## Learning

Alternatively, you may wish to use this story by Bob Hartman (Based on 1 Chronicles 29. 1-13)



### Introduction:

In today's story, King David is so filled with gratitude for God's goodness to him that he wants to give Him something wonderful as a gift in return.



**Telling tips: When it comes to that part of the story where everyone says 'Wow!', you may want to have someone hold up a poster with this word on it.**

King David was getting old. God had watched over him through the whole of his life. So he wanted to do one last thing to thank God for his help.

'Let me build you a temple,' he asked God. 'A great big beautiful building where your people can come and worship you.'

But God said, 'No.'

'You have been a man of war,' he told David. 'And I want a man of peace to build a temple for me. Leave it to your son, Solomon.'

David was worried that Solomon was too young and inexperienced. So he decided to give his son some help.

He told Solomon his plan for how the temple should look and how it should be built.

He encouraged Solomon. 'If you stick to it, and trust God, you can do this my son.'

Then he gathered together all the leaders of the country and explained to them where Solomon was going to get the money to build the temple.

'Some of it will come from public funds,' he explained.

'But I am going to give some of my own money, as well: 3,000 talents of gold. (Just a little over 10,000 kilograms, in today's

measurements which, at today's prices, would be worth 330 million pounds!).

**(Have everyone shout 'Wow!').**

And 7,000 talents of silver' (Around 23,000 kilograms, in today's measurements, worth around 13 million pounds!).

**(Another 'Wow!').**

'Now then,' David said to the leaders of the country, 'would you like to join me, and give some of your money, too?'

And so they did.

5,000 more talents of gold (worth roughly half a billion pounds)

**(Another 'Wow!').**

10,000 more talents of silver (let's say 17 million pounds worth)

**(One more 'Wow!').**

And a bunch of bronze and iron, which isn't worth that much these days, but was pretty valuable, back then. And a load of precious jewels, for good measure.

Now you'd think they would all have been a bit gutted, seeing as so much money had disappeared from their bank accounts.

But, no.

They were grateful. And they celebrated. Because they did this willingly, out of their love for God.

And that's why David prayed the following prayer:

'We praise you, God, because everything we have comes from you: all that is great and powerful, and everything in heaven and on earth. **(Have everyone hold their cupped hands in the air, as if receiving from God, then pull them towards themselves).** This is your kingdom, Lord. You are our true king. And all we have is yours. So when we give, we do nothing more than give back to you, what you have already given to us.'

**(Have everyone lift those same cupped hands back into the air, as if returning their contents to God).**

## Reflecting



- What did David decide to do to show God how grateful he was?
- Can you think of a time when someone has been so kind to you that you wanted to give them something back, just to show how grateful you were?
- How were they kind to you and how did you respond?
- How did that make you feel?


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Week 3: 15<sup>th</sup> September 2025

<p><b>Monday</b> 10.20am Whole school Miss Simpson</p>	<p><u>It's good for us, it's good for everyone</u></p> <p>Barnabas <b>Acts 4:36-37</b></p> <p>Love is something if you give it away</p>	<p><b>Year 2</b></p> <p>Board above Worship table in Shared area</p> <p>24.09.2025</p>
<p><b>Tuesday</b> Key stage</p>	<p>Choir Church</p>	
<p><b>Wednesday</b> 10.20am Whole school Rev'd Carol</p>	<p>Peter in Joppa <b>Acts 9. 36-42</b></p> <p>See attached</p> <p>The spirit lives to set us free</p>	
<p><b>Thursday</b> 10.20am Whole School Mrs Smith &amp; Mrs Dewar</p>	<p><b>Reflection and Praise</b> Generosity in action</p> <p><u>A gift to you (everything I am)</u> <u>Give thanks</u></p> <p><a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=88ounhVIPbA">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=88ounhVIPbA</a> (It is 5 minutes long, so you might want to just watch from 45 secs to 3 minutes 40 seconds)</p> <p>Project Malachi - This is an exciting housing project for homeless people, that was inspired by 5 year old Malachi, who gave his £5 tooth fairy money to the Salvation Army to build houses for homeless people. 3 years later 42 units have been built to give those who don't have a home a place to live.</p> <p><i>How is this an example of generosity?</i> <i>Malachi, like the widow in the story, gave all he had, look at the difference it made.</i> <i>I wonder how this story makes you feel?</i></p>	
<p><b>Friday</b> 10.20am Whole School Miss Simpson</p>	<p><b>Celebration</b></p> <p>We gather together to celebrate our gifts and talents which many believe are given to us by God and which are precious to him.</p> <p>The Bible says:</p>  <p>Let's celebrate and give thanks for those children whose gifts and talents have been recognised this week.</p>	

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## Learning

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### Introduction:

In this story we learn about the generosity of one woman and the surprising way she was rewarded for that generosity.



In the town of Joppa, there lived a follower of Jesus called Tabitha.

Tabitha did lots of good things for other people.

She sewed clothes for them.

**(Have everyone make a sewing motion).**

She helped poor people who didn't have enough money. **(Have everyone reach in their pocket and pretend to give money to the person sitting next to them).**

And any other helpful thing she could think of.

Tabitha was very generous with everything she had. Her time and her money.

But then, one day, sadly, Tabitha died.

The people in Joppa were very sad.

**(Have everyone make a sad face and rub the corners of their eyes).** They did what people in those days did when someone died. They washed her body and laid it out in an upstairs room, so her friends could pay their respects.

But before they could bury her, someone heard that one of the men who had been with Jesus - a man called Peter - was in a nearby town.

Peter was one of the leaders of the people who followed Jesus. And, what is more, he had performed miracles, through the power that Jesus gave him.

So they sent two men to fetch Peter, and when he arrived in Joppa, they took him to the upstairs room to see Tabitha's body.

They told Peter how generous Tabitha had been.

**(Repeat giving action).**

The widows Tabitha had helped showed him the clothes she had made. **(Repeat sewing motion).**

And everyone told him about all the other good things she had done.

When they had finished speaking, Peter sent them all out of the room. He knelt beside Tabitha's dead body and prayed. Then he looked at her and said, 'Tabitha, get up!' And she did!

Then he called for all her friends and presented her to them.

Everyone was so happy **(Everyone cheer)**, and word spread throughout the town that the generous woman who had made clothes for the widows **(Sewing motion)**, gave money to those in need **(Giving motion)**, and helped others in every way she could think of, was alive again.

And many more people came to follow Jesus, too.

## Reflecting



Sometimes we don't feel like being generous. We want to hold on to the things that we have rather than sharing them with others. In this story, Tabitha generously shared her skills for the good of others.

- What skills do you have - the things you are good at doing?
- Can you think of a time when you have used your skills, your time or your money to help others?
- How did this make you feel?


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Week 4: 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2025

<p><b>Monday</b> 10.20am Whole school Miss Simpson</p>	<p><b><u>Giving sacrificially</u></b>  <i>Anyone who has two shirts should share with the one who has none, and anyone who has food should do the same</i> <b>Luke 3</b>  (SPCK: <a href="https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/293/have-a-banana">https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/293/have-a-banana</a>)  <b>A gift to you (everything I am)</b></p>	<p><b>Year 3</b>  Right hand side of Worship board in the school hall  01.10.2025</p>
<p><b>Tuesday</b>  Key stage</p>	<p><b>Choir Church</b></p>	
<p><b>Wednesday</b> 9.20am Whole school Rev'd Carol</p>	<p>Giving one tenth / Christian giving <b>Deuteronomy 14. 22-28 and 2 Corinthians 8. 1-15</b>  <i>See attached</i>  <b>Give thanks</b></p>	
<p><b>Thursday</b> 10.20am Whole School Worship Team (Supported by Mrs Smith)</p>	<p>Zacchaeus <b>Luke 19:8</b>  Zacchaeus is really wealthy and new to living Jesus' way. Jesus doesn't ask him to show his faith through generosity at all but still this doesn't stop Zaccheus from thinking about it on his own. He confesses to being a cheat and thief. Then he demonstrates a changed life by giving half his possessions to the poor and paying back anyone he wronged 4x what he owed them.  <b>Zacchaeus was a wee little man</b></p>	
<p><b>Friday</b>  10.20am Whole School Miss Simpson</p>	<p><b>Celebration</b>  We gather together to celebrate our gifts and talents which many believe are given to us by God and which are precious to him.  The Bible says:   Let's celebrate and give thanks for those children whose gifts and talents have been recognised this week.</p>	

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(Based on Deuteronomy 14. 22-28 and 2 Corinthians 8. 1-15)



### Introduction:

When something is very important to us, we want to make sure it happens, we don't leave it to chance, we plan for it to happen, and we try to stick to our plan. In this story, Christians are encouraged to plan their giving, because being generous with our money and possessions is very important.



Jesus was Jewish.

And so he kept the rules for living that other Jewish people kept - the rules that God had given to Moses.

One of those rules had to do with the things people gave back to God, as a way of thanking God for all he had given them.

This rule was called 'the tithe' which more or less means ten percent, or one-tenth.

So if someone earned ten silver coins at work, then they would give ten percent, or one-tenth, of that back to God. And that would be how many coins? **(Gather answers from your group. Hopefully someone says "one"!)**

Or if a shepherd's sheep gave birth to a hundred lambs, then he would give ten percent, or one tenth, of that back to God. And that would be how many lambs? **(Again, gather answers).**

And if a farmer's crop yielded fifty baskets of grain, then he would give ten percent, or one tenth, of that back to God. And that would be how many baskets? **(Gather answers again).**

What is more, the worker or the shepherd or the farmer wouldn't wait to give that to God, or give the smallest lamb or the worst grain. No, they would give it to God, first of all, and then live on what was left. And they would give the very best of what they had.

God didn't need what people gave Him, of course. God doesn't need anything. So the things people gave were often used to help other people who didn't have enough of their own.

And that is the reason why Paul, who was also Jewish, used a similar idea when he wrote to the Christians who lived in a city called Corinth.

He was going to visit them. And one of the things he was going to do was collect money for Christians who lived in Jerusalem. There had been a famine in that city. They were struggling. And they needed help.

Now Paul could have said to the Christians in Corinth, 'Give me the spare change you have left over at the end of the week, and I will pass that on to the Christians in Jerusalem.' But he knew that wasn't the best way to say 'thankyou' to God or to raise enough money to help. So he told the Christians in Corinth to do the kind of thing he had always done - to set aside their gifts, first of all, on the first day of the week, before they spent any of the rest, so they could be sure there was something to give. And he didn't say, 'Set aside a tenth.' **(You might want to do a review, here. Ten percent of ten is...? Ten percent of a hundred is.....? Ten percent of fifty is...?).** No, he suggested something that was, in some ways, even better!

'If God has blessed you and provided you with a lot of money, then you need to give a lot back. And if you only have a little, still do the very best you can. Give to others, as you have received.'

And, in that way, the Christians in Corinth both showed God how grateful they were for what he had given them, and also provided for the needs of others.

## Reflecting



In this story, the Christians in Corinth had plenty of money and wanted to help the Christians in Jerusalem who did not have enough. What advice did Paul give them?

- How could you plan to be more generous with what you have?
- Could you save some of your pocket money to give away to a charity you would like to support?

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Week 5: 29<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Monday	INSET Day	
Tuesday Key stage	Choir Church	
Wednesday 9.20am Whole school Miss Holder & Mrs Rigby	<u>God gives us what we need</u> Food from heaven Exodus 15-17  Thank you, Lord	Reception  Reception cloakroom  10.10.2025
Thursday 10.20am Whole School Mrs Hooper & Mr Seaton	Reflection and Praise The Generosity of Creation  When your Father made the world Thank you, Lord Lord of the Harvest  (SPCK: <a href="https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2085/harvest">https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2085/harvest</a> )	
Friday 10.20am Whole School Miss Simpson	Harvest Service in School	


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Week 6: 6<sup>th</sup> October 2025

<p>Monday 10.20am Whole school Miss Simpson</p>	<p><b>God gives us what we need</b></p> <p>Elijah and the widow 1 Kings 17:7-16</p> <p><i>God's generosity is abundant, even when it feels like we are faced with nothing.</i></p> <p>Think of a world without any flowers</p>	<p>Year 1</p> <p>TBC</p> <p>15.10.2025</p>
<p>Tuesday Key stage</p>	<p>Choir Church</p>	
<p>Wednesday 10.20am Whole school Rev'd Carol</p>	<p>The feeding of the 5000 John 6:9</p> <p><i>God's generosity leaves no one out. The young boy who had enough faith to give his own lunch away! He was risking his own provision, his own comfort, in the hope of helping others. One boy's faith is what set in motion the amazing miracle of Jesus feeding the 5,000.</i></p> <p>Pears and apples</p>	
<p>Thursday 10.20am Whole School Mrs Morrell &amp; Mrs Blezard</p>	<p>Reflection and Praise Enough food for everyone IF</p> <p>(<a href="#">SPCK Assemblies - What if world leaders were kids?</a> Bullet point 3 onwards)</p> <p>Beauty for brokenness Let me walk beside you</p>	
<p>Friday 10.20am Whole School Miss Simpson</p>	<p>Celebration</p> <p>We gather together to celebrate our gifts and talents which many believe are given to us by God and which are precious to him.</p> <p>The Bible says:</p>  <p>Let's celebrate and give thanks for those children whose gifts and talents have been recognised this week.</p>	


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Week 7: 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025

<p><b>Monday</b> 10.20am Whole school <b>Miss Simpson</b></p>	<p><b>Give to bless, not to impress</b></p> <p>Store up your treasure in heaven</p> <p>"Be careful! When you do good things, don't do them in front of people to be seen by them. If you do that, then you will have no reward from your Father in heaven." <b>Matthew 6.1-4</b></p> <p>(SPCK: <a href="https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2389/store-up-your-treasure-in-heaven">https://www.assemblies.org.uk/pri/2389/store-up-your-treasure-in-heaven</a> &amp; Values for Life 4)</p> <p><i>Let me walk beside you</i> (MP3 hymns - Great Big God CD)</p>	<p><b>Year 4</b></p> <p>Board at end of Y5 / 6 corridor</p> <p>23.10.2025</p>
<p><b>Tuesday</b> <b>Key stage</b></p>	<p><b>Choir Church</b></p>	
<p><b>Wednesday</b> 9.20am Whole school <b>Rev'd Carol</b></p>	<p><b>A rich man's question</b> Luke 18: 18-30</p> <p><u><i>Ho ho ho Hosanna</i></u></p>	
<p><b>Thursday</b> 10.20am Whole School <b>Mrs Smith &amp; Mrs Dewar</b></p>	<p><b>Reflection and Praise</b> Joseph and his brothers <b>Genesis 45</b></p> <p><i>Think about the strength it took for Joseph to not only forgive his brothers, but to welcome them and give them amazing gifts. Joseph is a great example of generosity - he gave generously even when it made no sense for him to do so.</i></p> <p><i>Thank you, Lord for this new day</i> <i>Cross over the road</i></p>	<p><b>Year 5</b></p> <p>Board outside Year 5 in Year 5 / Corridor</p> <p>25.10.2025</p>
<p><b>Friday</b> 10.20am Whole School <b>Miss Simpson</b></p>	<p><b>Celebration</b></p> <p>We gather together to celebrate our gifts and talents which many believe are given to us by God and which are precious to him.</p> <p>The Bible says:</p>  <p>Let's celebrate and give thanks for those children whose gifts and talents have been recognised this week.</p>	


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Week 8: 20<sup>th</sup> October 2025

<b>Monday</b> 10.20am Whole school Miss Simpson	<b>Giving our time generously</b> <i>(Roots and Fruits)</i> Thank you, Lord for this new day	
<b>Tuesday</b> Key stage	<b>Choir Church</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b> 9.20am Whole school Mrs Rigby & Miss Holder	<b>Mary and Martha</b> Luke 10: 38 - 42 Cross over the road	
<b>Thursday</b> 10.20am Whole School Mrs Hooper & Mr Seaton	<b>How can you be generous with your time?</b> Watch how this generous group of volunteers who give up their time to tidy and clean the paths along the canal: <a href="https://youtu.be/sZpMc3s3lxk">https://youtu.be/sZpMc3s3lxk</a> <i>Highlight dangers of litter picking near canal</i> I wonder how you could be generous with your time? Let me walk beside you Ho ho ho Hosanna	
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