**Sunday 13th June – Portraits of Prayer**

**The Confession of David**

* How would you define sin?



* How do you know when you have sinned?
* What makes you hide your sin from others?

Read Psalm 32:1-5

* What does this tell us about the importance of confession?
* Have you ever experienced illness or discomfort due to unconfessed sin?
* What might stop us from confessing our sins to God?

Read Psalm 51:1-12

* Why do you think David said that he had only sinned against God? (v4) What about Bathsheba?
* When you have wronged someone, how important is it that you make amends? (See Leviticus 6:2-5)
* If someone we have wronged does not forgive us when we have tried to make amends; does that affect our relationship with God?
* What could God do for David that Bathsheba could not?

Pray

* Read 1 John 1:5-10
* Take some time in silence or with music playing to think about the things that you need to put right with God.
* Confess your sins either quietly in your hearts or join together in a standard form of confession