

# Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2020 **Prayer and worship at home**





# **Preparation**

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen** 

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** 

#### The Act of Penitence

As we pray, we reflect on the week that has passed and ask the Lord for his forgiveness and healing.

Turn to us again, O God our saviour, and let your anger cease from us: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Show us your compassion, O Lord, and grant us your salvation: Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.** 

Your salvation is near for those that fear you, that glory may dwell in our land: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

#### Words of forgiveness

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### The Special Prayer for this week

Almighty God, as your kingdom dawns, turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness, that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

# The Word of the Lord

#### First Reading 1 Corinthians 1.3 - 9

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians.

My brothers and sisters: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind – just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you – so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

This is the Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God** 

The Holy Gospel | Mark 13. 24-27

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ...

#### Glory to you, O Lord

Jesus said to his disciples: 'In those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. Then they will see "the Son of Man coming in clouds" with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

This is the Gospel of the Lord **Praise to you, O Christ.** 



# Affirmation of faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth is named.

We believe in God the Son, who lives in our hearts through faith, and fills us with his love.

We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who strengthens us with power from on high.

We believe in one God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen

### **Prayers of Intercession**

You may wish to offer prayer in your own words, or be prompted by the words here

We pray for our world, especially at this time of anxiety and fear...

We pray for our nation and its well-being...

We pray for neighbours, family and friends and we remember all those self-isolating at the moment...

We pray for all who are sick, worried or anxious, and for those who feel cut off from friends and family...

We pray for those who have died in recent days, and all whom we remember with love and affection

## The Lord's Prayer

Joining with Christians throughout the world, we pray:

Our Father....

Or

Our Father in heaven....

## The Grace

The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all, evermore. Amen

#### Readings for the coming week:

Monday	Psalm 47	Matthew 4.18-22
Tuesday	Psalm 80	Luke 10.21-24
Wednesday	Psalm 7	Matthew 15.29-37
Thursday	Psalm 42	Matthew 7.21,24-27
Friday	Psalm 25	Matthew 9.27-31
Saturday	Psalm 9	Matthew 9.35-10; 1,6-8

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.



