

Sunday 28 June, 2020

The Third Sunday after Trinity

Prayer and worship at home

If a household are praying together, one person may act as leader and the others as the congregation and they join in the words in bold type.

If alone, read all the words aloud.

You may want to light a candle before you begin, and have a Bible, cross or crucifix to look at.

You might prepare for this act of worship by listening to some music, or by being still.

Preparation

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

The Act of Penitence

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

**God of mercy,
we acknowledge that we are all sinners.
We turn from the wrong that we have
thought and said
and done,
and are mindful of all that we have failed to
do.**

**For the sake of Jesus, who died for us,
forgive us for all that is past,
and help us to live each day
in the light of Christ our Lord.
Amen.**

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

God our Saviour,
look on this wounded world
in pity and in power;
hold us fast to your promises of peace
won for us by your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Word of the Lord

First Reading | *Jeremiah 28. 5-9*

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

⁵ Then the prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the LORD; ⁶ and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the LORD do so; may the LORD fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the LORD, and all the exiles. ⁷ But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. ⁸ The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. ⁹ As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the LORD has truly sent the prophet."

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

The Holy Gospel | *Matthew 10.40-end*

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Glory to you, O Lord

⁴⁰ "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹ Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴² and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

This is the Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

Affirmation of faith

With our Christian brothers and sisters, we affirm our faith in God the Holy Trinity.

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

(Here 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 wise decisions to be made concerning the opening of our churches for public worship...

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 those who have lost confidence during this time of shielding and all who are worried about a return to a busy society...

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

We conclude our prayers

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:

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| Monday | Psalm 113 | Matthew 16.13-19 |
| Tuesday | Psalm 73 | Matthew 8.23-27 |
| Wednesday | Psalm 77 | Matthew 8. 28-end |
| Thursday | Psalm 78.1-39 | Matthew 7. 21-end |
| Friday | Psalm 92 | John 20. 24-29 |
| Saturday | Psalm 76 | Matthew 9. 14-17 |

**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.**