

Welcome to a short time of prayer and reflection for Trinity Sunday

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

The Lord be with you

Today we begin the long Trinity season in which we learn more fully what we are called to as those who have responded to the gospel of Jesus and drawn by the Spirit to worship the God who is Father Son and Holy Spirit. In our worship we discover ourselves drawn into the love-in-relationship shared by the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, love which is always outgoing, extended to all creation. In that love we are called to see all people, and all that God has made, as God sees: all matter, all are precious in God's sight.

Let us take a moment to reflect on all that is happening around our world at this time: recognising that racial injustice, resource inequality and environmental degradation are failures in love.

Let's take a moment to reflect on what is in our own hearts as we bring all failures in receiving and giving love to God in confession, seeking healing and forgiveness for ourselves and in our world.

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory:

Lord have mercy...

I am a person of unclean lips and I live among a people of unclean lips:

Christ have mercy.....

Your guilt is taken away and your sin is forgiven:

Lord have mercy

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

Let us pray:

Holy God, faithful and unchanging:

Enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love, that we may truly worship you, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Amen

We listen to a reading from the Gospel of Matthew 28:16-20

The Gospel of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Sermon : see additional attachment

Holy God, holy and strong, holy and immortal, drawn by your love we pray to you Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Father of heaven, whose love profound, a ransom for our souls has found: we pray for the world created by your love in all its beauty, for its nations and governors, for those who are suffering in many ways due to Covid 19 and all who work to overcome it, for those who suffer injustice and those who seek to remove it.

Extend to them peace, pardoning love, mercy and grace.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Almighty Son, Incarnate Word, our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer Lord: we pray for the Church created for your love, for its ministry to reflect you. Extend to us your salvation, growth, mercy and grace.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Eternal Spirit, by whose breath the soul is raised from sin and death: we pray for our fellows: children, women and men all created in your image, for the lonely and the oppressed, the bereaved, the sick and the dying. Breathe on them the breath of life, and bring them your mercy and grace.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer

Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son, mysterious Godhead, three in one:

We pray for ourselves, for your Church, for those we love, and those we find it hard to love, for all who we remember before you.

Bring us all in love, to worship before your throne.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Our Father who art in heaven. Hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. Forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory. Forever and ever, Amen.

And we pray for God's blessing:

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love, defend you on every side and guide you in truth and peace. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with you and with all those you love and pray for today, and everyday. Amen