

# Morning Worship *in* Lent on Zoom

## Before the service



You may wish to say this prayer of preparation,  
as you wait for the service to begin.

Father, as I prepare for the service to begin,  
I place myself into your hands.

Whatever you may do, I thank you:

I am ready for all, I accept all.

Let your will be done in me,  
and through me. **Amen.**

*cf. Charles de Foucauld*

## The Gathering

### The Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you  
**and also with you.**

*Revd Katrina introduces the service.*

### Opening Prayer

Let us pray. *Silence.*

Faithful One, whose word is life:  
come with saving power to free our praise,  
inspire our prayers, and shape our lives  
for the kingdom of your Son,  
Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

### Prayers of Penitence

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit;  
a broken and contrite heart God will not despise.  
Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion,  
and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith. *Silence.*

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness  
and cleanse me from my sin:

Lord, have mercy.                      **Lord, have mercy.**

Make me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me:

Christ, have mercy.                      **Christ, have mercy.**

Cast me not away from your presence  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me:

Lord, have mercy.                      **Lord, have mercy.**

May the God of love  
bring *us* back to himself,  
forgive *us our* sins,  
and assure *us* of his eternal love  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **The Collect**

Let us pray. *Silence.*

*The Collect for today is said. We respond with Amen.*

## **The Word**

### **Readings**

*We listen to today's two readings.*

*At the end of each the reader says:*

This is the word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Short Talk or Reflection**

*followed by a time of silence.*

### **Music - A Post-Readings and Reflection Hymn**

*led by today's cantor.*

## **Affirmation of Faith**

Let us declare our faith in God, saying:

**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.**

*cf. Ephesians 3*

## **Our Prayers**

*At the end of each prayer, the following is said:*

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

*We pause for a time of silent prayer and reflection.*

Merciful Father, accept our prayers for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

Trusting in the compassion of God,  
let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation;  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
the power and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### Notices

#### Music - Our "Going Out" Hymn

*led by today's cantor*

#### A Sending Prayer

Let us pray:

In darkness and in light,  
in trouble and in joy,  
help us, heavenly Father,  
to trust your love,  
to serve your purpose,  
and to praise your name;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### The Blessing

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,  
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be with *you*, today and always.

**Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

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