

# Mears Ashby and Hardwick and Sywell with Overstone



## Morning Worship *in Ordinary Time*

### Before the service

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

Loving God,  
move my heart with the calm, smooth flow of your grace.  
Let the river of your love run through my soul,  
as I prepare to worship you in this place.  
Amen.

*Adapted from Gilbert of Hoyland*

# Morning Worship

## *in Ordinary Time*

### The Gathering

#### The Greeting

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

#### Opening Prayer

Let us pray. *Silence.*

Loving God, we have gathered here to worship you.  
Help us to pray to you in faith,  
to sing your praise with gratitude,  
and to listen to your word with eagerness;  
through Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

#### Prayers of Penitence

As we prepare to celebrate,  
let us call to mind our sins.

*Silence.*

For turning away from you,  
and ignoring your will for our lives;  
Lord, have mercy.           **Lord, have mercy.**

For behaving just as we wish,  
without thinking of you;  
Christ, have mercy.           **Christ, have mercy.**

For failing you by what we do,  
and think and say;  
Lord, have mercy.            **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.**

## **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**

*on YouTube.*

## **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.**

*cf. Ephesians 3*

## **Our Prayers**

*We pray for:*

- *Our journey of faith*
- *Our world in this time of crisis*
- *Our villages, families and homes*
- *Our sick and dying, and all who care for them*
- *Our loved ones who have died and all who mourn for them*

*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**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

**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.**

## **Conclusion**

### **Music - Our "Going Out" hymn**

*on YouTube.*

### **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**

The God of all hope fill *us* with all joy and peace in believing:  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be with *us*, today and always.

**Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**

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