

OPENING PRAYER

As we gather as one church from our homes, we join on this day of remembrance in giving worship, thanks and praise to our precious Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. Please open our hearts and ears to Your word. Amen

INTERCESSIONARY PRAYERS

Father God. Thank you for all that You give us, and for all that we are. We thank You for the freedom we have to worship You in spirit and truth. We thank You for the comfort and hope You have offered us in Your precious Son, Jesus Christ, who died for everyone.

We are truly sorry for all our sins, and we bring those things that are troubling us to You in a moment of silence....

We ask for Your forgiveness, for Your nature is always to have mercy.

At this time of Remembrance, we think of all those who have lost their lives, past and present, in different theatres of war, while defending their nations. Not only those who have died, but also those who have suffered injuries, or loss of family members.

We pray for Your comfort for all those who are coping with loss - especially those who were separated from their loved ones in their final moments.

Thinking of the US election, we pray that the result will be received with grace, and, above all, that Your will be done. May your peace and harmony descend on America.

We ask for Your peace to descend on the whole earth. And especially on towns and cities worldwide as lockdowns come and go.

We ask for your shelter for all those who are suffering as a result of the pandemic - whether physically or mentally. And grace for those finding these further restrictions challenging. We pray for wisdom for

all those in power, in making decisions and guiding their nations safely through the storm.

Dear Lord, please give comfort and shelter to the people of the Philippines and in other areas recently devastated by typhoon Goni. Also to the people of Cambodia and Vietnam as they face the worst flooding for decades. Give strength to those fighting wildfires in North America and those bringing aid into disasters worldwide. We ask that Your word of hope reaches them in the midst of their suffering.

We ask for your supernatural protection for persecuted Christians worldwide. We pray that you would be with the families of these brave people of God. Comfort the relatives of those who have died, and draw near to them by your Spirit.

We pray that the Brexit negotiations come to a successful conclusion. Give Your wisdom and grace to all those who are involved.

We ask for Your healing for people known to us who are unwell in body, mind or spirit, especially thinking of Roy Cooper, Michelene Norris, Terry and Joyce Fuller and Raymond Chudley. In the quiet of our hearts, we spend a moment of silence bringing to You others who are known to us....

In challenging times like these, it is even more important to seek protection from our Father God. So, we pray:

Lord Jesus, by faith, I now put on the whole armour of God
I put on the the helmet of salvation
And the breastplate of Your righteousness
I gird myself about with the girdle of Your truth
On my feet I put the shoes of the gospel of Your peace
I take up the shield of Your faith which surrounds me like a tent

And the sword of the spirit which is God's word
I cover myself with the precious blood of Jesus Christ which cleanses
me from all sin
And around me like a cloak is the Holy Spirit
I praise and thank you Lord Jesus for all that you have done for me
And I relax into You now, knowing that You are protecting me from
all evil intents and purposes.
Thank You Jesus

And we round up all of our prayers with the one Jesus himself 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

FINAL BLESSING

May the Lord bless you and keep you, The Lord make His face shine
upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord turn His face toward you
and give you peace. Amen.