

## Shorter Daily Office: FRIDAY Midday

### **\*Becoming present to God**

*Through a sign of attentiveness like lighting a candle*

### **\*Prayers of Praise & Thanksgiving**

Lord Jesus, we look to you,  
pioneer and completer of our faith,  
*who for the joy set before you  
endured the cross.*

### **\*Celebrating the presence of God**

Desert Christ and suffering Son,  
*image and kindness of God,*  
in wilderness lair and village square,  
on city streets and Skull Hill,  
*you earthed the glory of God, and God's Spirit still  
brings your radiance near.*  
Lord who goes before us,  
*Thank you for every sign of your presence with us.*

### **\*Acknowledging our humanity**

In you, Jesus,  
*we find solidarity with our weakness and hurting.*  
In you, Lord,  
*we find understanding of all that tempts us.*

### ***(Pause for quiet confession)***

As we bring our lives before you,  
*Help us to receive your kindness and grace:*  
Sins remembered no more,  
*Your ways being written  
on heart and mind.*

### **\*Listening for the Word: Daily Reading**

*Living God, enable us this day  
to be pilgrims and companions:  
**committed to the way of Christ,**  
faithful to the call of Christ,  
**discerning the mind of Christ,**  
offering the welcome of Christ,  
**growing in the likeness of Christ,**  
engaging in the mission of Christ,  
**in the world that belongs to Christ.***

### **\*Bringing our concerns**

*Open time of prayer  
For those we know and love  
For the Church Family  
For local, national and global events*

Lord hear us, *Lord graciously hear us*

### **\*Lord's Prayer**

*Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever. Amen.*

### **\*Going to love and serve**

Now may the God of peace,  
make us complete in everything good,  
*so that we may do his will,  
through Jesus Christ,  
to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.*

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