

St Columba, Collingtree



Morning Prayer & Praise ***Epiphany*** ***February 2023***

**A warm welcome to our service this morning.
We do hope you enjoy worshipping with us today.**

We say together the words printed in bold.

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www.stcolumbacollingtree.org.uk

Opening Responses

Give unto the LORD the glory due to His name;
Worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is powerful;

The voice of the LORD is full of majesty. *From Psalm 29*

Hymn: Praise my soul the King of heaven

Psalm 100

¹ Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth.

**² Worship the LORD with gladness;
come before him with joyful songs.**

**³ Know that the LORD is God.
It is he who made us, and we are his;
we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

**⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and praise his holy name.**

**⁵ For the LORD is good and his love endures forever;
his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

Opening Prayer

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever. **Amen**

Prayers of Penitence

What God has prepared for those who love him,
he has revealed to us through the Spirit;
for the Spirit searches all things.

Therefore, let us in penitence
open our hearts to the Lord,
who has prepared good things for those who love him.

1 Corinthians 2.9,10

So let us confess our sins to Almighty God.

Confession

Lord God, we have sinned against you;

We have done evil in your sight.

We are sorry and repent.

Have mercy on us according to your love.

Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.

**Renew a right spirit within us and restore to us the joy of
your salvation, through Jesus Christ our Lord.**

Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

May Almighty God, who sent his Son in the world to save
sinners, grant you his pardon and his peace, now and for ever.

Amen

Hymn: Jesus, be the centre

Collect

Almighty God, in Christ you make all things new:
transform the poverty of our nature
by the riches of your grace,
and in the renewal of our lives
make known your heavenly glory;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen

Bible Reading: 1 Corinthians 2 v 1 - 12

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Hymn: I will sing the wondrous story

Bible Reading: Matthew 5 v 13 - 16

This is the word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sermon

Listen to: Lord the light of your love by John Rutter

The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

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 forever.**

Amen.

Prayers of Intercession

Lord in your mercy.

Hear our prayer.

Closing Prayer of Intercession

Merciful Father,

accept these prayers

For the sake of your son

our saviour Jesus Christ

Amen

Hymn: Lord the light of your love is shining

Closing prayer

Father, help me to live my life to the full,

Being true to you, in every way

Jesus, help me to give myself away to others,

Being kind to everyone I meet.

Spirit help me to love the lost,

Proclaiming Christ in all I do or say.

Blessing