

AN ORDER FOR
EVENING PRAYER

Sunday 26th July 2020 at 7.00pm

The Gathering of God's People

The Greeting

The minister greets the people

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

Words of Introduction

O Lord, open our lips,
and our mouth will proclaim your praise.

Let us worship the Lord.
All praise to his name.

The minister continues

Blessed are you, Sovereign Lord,
the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
to you be glory and praise for ever.
From the deep waters of death
you brought your people to new birth
by raising your Son to life in triumph.
Through him dark death has been destroyed
and radiant life is everywhere restored.
As you call us out of darkness into his marvellous light
may our lives reflect his glory
and our lips repeat the endless song:
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever.

Penitence

Let us renew our resolve to have done with all that is evil
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

God our Father, we come to you in sorrow for our sins.
For turning away from you,
and ignoring your will for our lives;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For behaving just as we wish,
without thinking of you;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do,
and think and say;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you
by temptations in the world about us;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For living as if we were ashamed to belong to your Son;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

Absolution

The minister says

Your word is a lantern to my feet
and a light upon our path. *c.f. Psalm 119:105*

O Lord, your word is everlasting:
it stands firm for ever in the heavens. *c.f. Psalm 119:89*

Let us then receive the word of the Lord.
so may the light of your presence shine into our hearts.

Psalm

- 1 Unto thee, O God, do we give thanks : yea, unto thee do we give thanks.
- 2 Thy Name also is so high : and that do thy wondrous works declare.
- 3 In the appointed time, saith God : I shall judge according unto right.
- 4 The earth is weak, and all the inhabitants thereof : I bear up the pillars of it.
- 5 I said unto the fools, Deal not so madly : and to the ungodly, Set not up your horn.
- 6 Set not up your horn on high : and speak not with a stiff neck.
- 7 For exaltation cometh neither from the east, nor from the west : nor yet from the south.
- 8 And why? God is the judge : he putteth down one, and setteth up another.
- 9 For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, and the wine is red : it is full mixed, and he poureth out of the same.
- 10 As for the dregs thereof : all the ungodly of the earth shall drink them, and suck them out.
- 11 But I will talk of the God of Jacob : and praise him for ever.
- 12 All the horns of the ungodly also will I break : and the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

Glory to the Father, and | to the | Son,
and | to the | Holy | Spirit;
as it was in the be|ginning, is | now
and shall be for | ever. | A|men.

The Reading

John 6:1-21

The Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**
**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead**
I believe in the Holy Spirit,

**the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

The Collect of the Day

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, we are bold to 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.**

A Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

For the love of our Father,
the maker of all, the giver of all good things,
let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For Jesus Christ our Saviour,
who lived and worked among us,
let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For his suffering and death on the cross
and his resurrection to new life,
let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For his rule over all things
and his presence in the world,
let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For the Holy Spirit, the giver of life,
who teaches us and guides us,
let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

For the grace of the Spirit in the work of the Church
and the life of the world,
let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God. Amen.

The Blessing