



Worship for Sunday 9th August 2020

Welcome

Good morning and welcome to our service on this the 9th Sunday after Trinity. Welcome if you are worshipping with us in our church building, or over Zoom or at home, it is lovely to have you with us as we gather before our awesome God. Today our gospel reading reminds us that we are loved, and that God is always with us. SO let us take a moment to be still in the presence of God so that we are ready for worship.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
The lord be with you **and also with you.**

Do not be afraid, for the Jesus is here. Listen to his living word and respond to his call. Look to him and step out in confidence and faith. Reach for his outstretched hand and be held in love. Amen

Hymn: At the name of Jesus

Gracious God, we bring to you this morning our fears and our joys, our hopes and our anxieties, knowing that you are a God who reaches out to us, who welcomes us, and who, through Jesus, brings us safely aboard the boat of your love. So, we pray in his name and offer our lives to your glory. Amen

Prayer of penitence

God our Father, we come to you in sorrow for our sins. *Silence.*

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.**

May almighty God, who sent his Son into the world to save sinners, bring us his pardon and peace, now and for ever.
Amen

Collect of the 9th Sunday after Trinity

Gracious Father revive your Church in our day, and make her holy, strong and faithful, for your glory's sake in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Reading: Psalm 85: 8-13

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; **O my God, in you I trust.**

You are the God of my salvation, **To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.**

In you I hope all the day long. **O my God, in you I trust.**

Remember, Lord, your compassion and love, for they are from everlasting.

To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul; O my God, in you I trust.

Hymn: My lighthouse

Reading: Matthew: 14: 22-33

Faithful God, you are there in the boat with us, as we are tossed about by the storms of life. You call us to step out in faith and reach out to us when we are sinking. You bring calm and peace when we are afraid. Thank you for your goodness. **Amen**

Talk

I have made a video of the talk.

Creed

We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and 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

Hymn: How sweet the name of Jesus sounds

A way into prayer

Take a breath, hold it and think about the people you know who need to feel close to God; then slowly breath out, praying for God to 'breathe blessing' on those people. Take another breath, and call to mind any current worries or sadness; let the breath go, asking God to give you his peace, strength, courage and knowledge of his love and presence.

Prayers

I have made a video of the prayers.

Trusting in our faithful God, let us pray.

Lord, in the storms of life, bid us come to you, that we, who are aware of our weakness, may be made strong; through the power of Christ our Lord. Amen

Faithful God we pray for the church throughout the world, for its leaders, congregations, mission, and ministry. When troubles overcome us, let us hear you say, 'take heart, it is I; do not be afraid,' and help us to fix our eyes on you. Give us the strength and courage, the grace, and resources we need to follow where you call us both as a church and as individuals. Go with us as we go out to proclaim your love. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Faithful God, as we call to mind the stormy areas of our world, the raging and the insecurity, the confusion and the bewilderment, the restlessness, and the fear. We pray for areas of the world where there have been floods or other natural disasters, for all who are swamped by poverty or hunger, for all who are battered by wave after wave of oppression or violence, for those who have no freedom, for all who are sinking beneath anxiety, demands or busyness. Let your calming and reassuring presence be sensed and recognised, bringing peace and goodness, righteousness, and hope. Show us ways in which we can reach out and bring your love and compassion to the world around us. We pray for all those affected by the explosion in Beirut this week, for those who have been injured, for those who have lost homes and livelihoods, for those who are mourning, for the rescue and relief workers. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Faithful God, we give thanks for all who have supported us in times of trouble or distress, for all who have helped and encouraged us, for all who have shown us love and kindness. We pray for our local community, for all who live, work, and visit this place, and for all the communities of which we are apart, may your kindness and compassion shine through our common life together. We continue our prayers for all those affected by the Coronavirus remembering especially the people our link community of Garidepalli in South India. May the world work together

to support one another and to care for the vulnerable. We pray for all those involved in medical research grant them your gifts of wisdom and insight. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Faithful God, come to us in the storms of life, may we know your love and presence with us always. We pray for all who are down, the fearful, the anxious, the weary, the despairing. We pray for all those who are suffering whether in body, mind, or spirit and in a moment of silence we name before you any known to us. *Silence.* Bring to them your healing and peace. We remember all who give a helping hand. We pray for carers, home helps, social workers, teachers, doctors, nurses. Fill them and us with your love and compassion. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Faithful God we give thanks for those who are beyond the storms of this world and have come to the haven of rest. We give thanks for the lives of all those who have recently died and for all that they meant to their families and friends. In a moment of silence, we remember before you any known to us. *Silence.* We pray for all those who are grieving at this time, may they find in you strength, comfort, and hope. Lord in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Safe in the love of God we offer our own prayers to God in a moment of silence.

Merciful Father **accept our prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

The lord's prayer

Peace

Peace to you from God who is our Father. Peace from Jesus Christ who is our peace. Peace from the Holy Spirit who gives us life. The peace of the triune God be always with you. The peace of the lord be always with you. **and also with you.** Let us offer one another a sign of God's peace.

I know that we are not together physically today and not able to share the peace in our normal way. However, this does not mean that we are not able to share the peace. Bring to mind members of our church family and as you do wish them God's peace. "..... (the name of a member of our church family) God's peace be with you.

Hymn: God forth and tell

We go out

May the blessing of God the Father be upon us as we venture out into the world, to live to the glory of God's name. May the blessing of God the Son be upon us as we step out in faith, to serve Jesus Christ as faithful disciples. May the blessing of God the Holy Spirit be upon us as we listen to the promptings of God's Spirit to share the love of God with the world. And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with all this day and always. **Amen**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **In the name of Christ Amen**

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