

**All** 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.

**The Conclusion**  
Amen.

Lighten our darkness. Lord, we pray;  
and in your mercy, defend us from all perils and dangers of this night;  
for the love of your only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.  
Amen.

**Blessing**

**Amen**

**Hymn** Make me a channel of your peace  
<https://youtu.be/ihhvm6eLWZI>

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*Evening Prayer*

*Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020*

**Gathering Music**

Turn your eyes upon Jesus  
Look full in his wonderful face  
and the things of earth  
will grow strangely dim  
in the light of his glory and grace

<https://youtu.be/jMYZICnV2Ys>

**Opening Prayer**

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,  
let us pray with one heart and mind.

**Silence is kept.**

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,  
so may your mercy come down upon us  
to cleanse our hearts  
and set us free to sing your praise  
now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

**Hymn** Take my life and let it be  
<https://youtu.be/Gf11rReeWIs>

**Reading** Matthew 10: 40-42  
Romans 6: 12-14

**Reflection** Acts of Kindness

**Psalm 89: 1-4; 15-18**

<sup>1</sup> I will sing of your steadfast love, O LORD,<sup>2</sup> for ever;  
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.  
<sup>2</sup> **I declare that your steadfast love is established for ever;  
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.**  
<sup>3</sup> You said, 'I have made a covenant with my chosen one,  
I have sworn to my servant David:  
<sup>4</sup> **"I will establish your descendants for ever,  
and build your throne for all generations."**  
<sup>15</sup> Happy are the people who know the festal shout,  
who walk, O LORD, in the light of your countenance;  
<sup>16</sup> **they exult in your name all day long,  
and extol<sup>3</sup> your righteousness.**  
<sup>17</sup> For you are the glory of their strength;  
by your favour our horn is exalted.  
<sup>18</sup> **For our shield belongs to the LORD,  
our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**Prayers**

Whoever welcomes you welcomes me.

God of welcome, who turns hostility into hospitality, in Jesus, you welcomed the outcast and the stranger. Help your church, this country and all the peoples of the world move from diversity to inclusion by opening our eyes and ears to the hurt and experience of all who are rejected because of race, gender, sexuality, religion, flight from oppression or any other cause..

God of our yearning  
We seek you.

God of welcome, who turns hostility into hospitality, in Jesus, you spoke with anger against hypocrisy and exploitation. Help us overturn the tables of modern-day money changers. May our government, and all in positions of political responsibility, be guided to make just decisions and to find the right balance between the nation's wealth and the nation's health. As we move into a new normal, let us be even more aware of our responsibility towards the environment and not lose the gains we have made during lockdown.

God of our yearning  
We seek you.

God of welcome, who turns hostility into hospitality, help us to give more than a cup of cold water in your name to the lonely, those suffering mental or physical ill health, all who have lost their livelihoods or are facing financial difficulties because of Covid-19. As we work out how to reopen our church building safely, work with us to make it a true place of welcome, safety, inclusion and sanctuary.

God of our yearning  
We seek you.

God of welcome, Jesus, your Son, did not turn away any who came to him for healing. Look with mercy on .....  
and on all who care for them.

God of our yearning  
We seek you.

God of welcome, receive into your house of many mansions all who have passed through the grave and gate of death.

God of our yearning  
We seek you.  
Whoever welcomes you welcomes me. Amen.

Come, Lord Jesus.  
in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer**

Merciful Father,  
**All Accept these prayers  
for the sake of your son  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

**The Collect**

**All** Almighty God,  
you have broken the tyranny of sin  
and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts  
whereby we call you Father:  
give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,  
that we and all creation may be brought  
to the glorious liberty of the children of God;  
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.