

## CONCLUDING PRAYER

Eternal God, our beginning and our end,  
accompany us in this day's journey.

Dawn on our darkness, open our eyes to praise you for your creation  
and to see the work you set before us today. Take us and use us to  
bring to others the new life you give in Jesus Christ our Lord **Amen.**

## BLESSING

You are called and loved by God the Father  
and kept safe by Jesus Christ.  
Mercy, peace and love be yours in abundance  
from God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. . **Amen**

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### Verse of the day

*"Now faith is confidence in what we  
hope for and assurance about what  
we do not see." Hebrews 11.1*

### OPENING PRAYER

O God our Creator, your kindness has brought us the gift of a new  
morning. Send your Holy Spirit, and pour into our hearts that most  
excellent gift of love, that we may worship you now with thankful hearts  
and serve you always with willing minds; in Jesus name, Amen

### PENITENCE *(We say sorry to God)*

**Father, we have sinned against heaven and against you.  
We are not worthy to be called your children. We turn to you  
again. Have mercy on us, bring us back to yourself as those who  
once were dead but now have life through Christ our Lord. Amen**

May the God of love bring us back to Himself, forgive us our sins, and  
assure us of his eternal love in Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

### PSALM PRAISE 96

Sing to the LORD a new song; sing to the LORD, all the earth.

Sing to the LORD, praise his name;  
proclaim his salvation day after day.

Declare his glory among the nations,  
his marvellous deeds among all peoples.

For great is the LORD and most worthy of praise;  
he is to be feared above all gods.

Let the heavens rejoice, let the earth be glad;  
let the sea resound, and all that is in it.  
Let the fields be jubilant, and everything in them;  
let all the trees of the forest sing for joy.  
Let all creation rejoice before the LORD, for he comes,  
he comes to judge the earth.  
He will judge the world in righteousness  
and the peoples in his faithfulness.  
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit  
As it was in the beginning is now and shall be forever. Amen

### **BIBLE READING**

**Matthew 15:21-28 (NLT) F. A. I. T. H**

Then Jesus left Galilee and went north to the region of Tyre and Sidon. A Gentile woman who lived there came to him, pleading, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! For my daughter is possessed by a demon that torments her severely." But Jesus gave her no reply, not even a word. Then his disciples urged him to send her away. "Tell her to go away," they said. "She is bothering us with all her begging." Then Jesus said to the woman, "I was sent only to help God's lost sheep—the people of Israel."

But she came and worshiped him, pleading again, "Lord, help me!" Jesus responded, "It isn't right to take food from the children and throw it to the dogs." She replied, "That's true, Lord, but even dogs are allowed to eat the scraps that fall beneath their masters' table." "Dear woman," Jesus said to her, "your faith is great. Your request is granted." And her daughter was instantly healed.  
This is the word of the Lord – **Thanks be to God**

### **AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

Let us declare our faith in God.  
**We believe in God the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on 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.**

### **COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Let your merciful ears, O Lord,  
be open to the prayers of your humble servants;  
and that they may obtain their petitions,  
make them to ask such things as shall please you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Prayer is bringing  
your wishes  
and worries to God;  
faith is leaving  
them there.**

### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Lord as you have called us to fulfil your purpose, work in us and through us to do your will. Make us the people you want us to be. Help us always to see with the eyes of faith.

We pray for all who are confused or worried about their faith – help them to know that you will never leave or forsake them.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**

We pray for the world, for the gifts of discernment and integrity for all who govern, advise and lead, especially in this time of pandemic and political unrest in many parts of the world..

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**

Father we pray for our young people; help and support those who have received or still await exam results. Be with the teachers and governors of our local primary school as they cope with the many preparations for the new school term and give courage to children and parents who are anxious about the return to school..

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**

We bring before you Lord, those whose eyes are wet with tears or tense with pain. Give comfort and reassurance, healing, wholeness and peace. Help them to sense your reassuring love which brings light into the darkest of valleys.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by thy name**

Lord of the Church, **hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you with joy forever. Amen.**