

# WORSHIP - 2nd SUNDAY OF LENT - 13 MARCH 2022

*Today we have in both churches, but we still meet on Zoom at 11.30 - the link is on the website. This is the Order of Service that is based on the Zoom service.*

**Hymn - The God of Abraham Praise** - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OvTgzJ2nZGo&t=29s>

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

**Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **The Summary of the Law**

Our Lord Jesus Christ said: The first commandment is this: 'Hear, O Israel, the Lord our God is the only Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength.'

The second is this: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these. On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit, a broken and contrite heart God will not despise. Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion, and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

**Most merciful God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought and word and deed.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have not loved our neighbour as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,**

**help us to amend what we are,**

**and direct what we shall be;**

**that we may do justly, love mercy,**

**and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

**The Kyrie** – Mass of St Thomas, *David Thorne* - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Ns-1y2agLOs>  
Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Collect**

**Almighty God, you show to those who are in error the light of your truth, that they may return to the way of righteousness: grant to all those who are admitted into the fellowship of Christ's religion, that they may reject those things that are contrary to their profession, and follow all such things as are agreeable to the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Old Testament reading - Genesis 15.1-12,17-18** - *is printed on the blue noticesheet*

Hymn - Dear Lord and Father of Mankind - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b1MN3chW1Hk>

Gospel - Luke 13.31-end - is printed on the blue noticessheet

Address - my sermon is on the website

### The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.  
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made.  
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.  
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried.  
On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;  
He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.  
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.  
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.  
We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Anthem - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=INLQsdbboS0>

Prevent us, O Lord, in all our doings, with thy most gracious favour, and further us with thy continual help, that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in thee, we may glorify thy Holy Name, and finally by thy mercy obtain everlasting Life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*Words from the Book of Common Prayer - a more modern translation would be "Direct us, O Lord"*

*Music: William Byrd, 1543-1623*

### Prayers of Intercession

In Luke's gospel reading today we are invited as Christians to reflect on the meaning of Jesus's life and death, and on the role we play in the continuing mission of Jesus. The most important point to note is that Jesus's death is in continuity with the rest of his ministry ... "today", "tomorrow", "the third day" ... it is all about establishing the kingdom of God. Each of us during the time of Lent, can chose to experience bearing Jesus' cross. As we pray and worship together, with all the pains and pleasures of life, help us to know the love of Christ and be thankful for his blessing. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

As we come together in worship Lord, we pray for our Christian ministry and in the wider world. We pray for guidance and spiritual strength to carry out our mission as Jesus did. We offer our worship and service to do your will. Help us to use our faith, talents and gifts, as we strive for the well-being of all those in need. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord, we ask for forgiveness, for the depletion of the world's resources. Help us find ways to restore natures balance, so we can protect our future generations here on earth. Help us to protect all life. Remove our greed and selfishness and replace it with thought, reflection and action.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, we pray for peace among nations, peace in our communities and peace in our hearts. We pray for those caught up in tragedy and disaster. We pray at this time for healing in all places where there is

violence, war and terrorism. We particularly think about the crisis in Ukraine and for whose lives have been thrown into turmoil. We ask for all those who are in positions of power to strive for what is right and influence decisions to end the suffering of the innocent. We pray for your power, your light and hope to help those affected find a safe passage to sanctuary. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father God, sometimes our days are so full of worries that we forget how many blessings we have. When our worries spiral out of control, help us to turn them into a conversation with you, confident that you will calm our anxiety and give us hope for the future. We thank you for the joy of sharing kindness and human love. We thank you for our family and friends. We pray particularly for loved ones who worry us with their health or circumstances or life direction. We pray for those among our friends and families who do not know you, or whose faith has been shaken. We give thanks for the friendship, love and support each one of us receives from our church community. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

God of compassion, Jesus went out to the people and brought healing and love, not just with his words but also with his touch. We bring before you all those who are suffering in mind, body or spirit. We pray for those who are unwell and for all those who care for them. Sustain their faith and hope. Renew their spirits with your presence and gracious love. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Father God, we pray for the departed and for all who mourn their loss. We remember today our own friends and family members who we still miss and treasure. Help us to listen and offer support to those who feel alone or anxious in their grief. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Finally, Lord, we ask for your courage and guidance, to find the right path, however difficult it may seem to tread, and however we are tested. May we humbly follow Jesus, to live a devoted life of faith and true Christian service. Give us grace and understanding, trusting in your promises, that your established, eternal kingdom of heaven will be open to us, now and always.  
Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We bring our prayers together as we pray the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**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.**

Hymn - Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy - [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9-D\\_aT8CXyc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9-D_aT8CXyc)

### **The Blessing**

Christ give you grace to grow in holiness,  
to deny yourselves, take up your cross, and follow him,  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

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

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