

Welcome

(Use this time to welcome people)

Gathering and Welcoming Prayer

The heavens tell of the glory of God -

The skies communicate beauty day after day
and knowledge pales in comparison
with the brilliance of the star-studded night sky.

The magnificence of God's creation needs no words,
for it speaks for itself....

Let the words of our mouths
and the meditation of our hearts
be acceptable to you, O Lord, our rock, and our redeemer.

Music/Song *(You can copy, paste & download these songs with Lyrics)*

Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah

<https://vimeo.com/worshipwell/download/561636278/36c6e68e67>

Prayer for Forgiveness & Thanksgiving

Lord Jesus Christ, you exercised 'uncommon sense' when you turned conventional wisdom on its head with your call for your followers to deny themselves; to lose their lives for your sake and to embark on a narrow path leading towards life centred in you and your love.

Forgive us when, like Peter, we identify your power with prestige rather than servanthood,
and falter in our understanding of what following you really means.

Forgive us for failing to trust your holy wisdom Lord,...

Lord Jesus Christ, give us the grace to listen and to trust in the unknowing nature of your call to each of us, and the unknown direction which you call us to travel. You have travelled the road already so what have we to fear?...

All of us make mistakes (James 3:2) but we are fortunate that God loves people just like us. And so, I declare to you, in Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God!

Passing the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you.

And also with you.

(Turn to those around you and greet them with the words above)

Notices

Offerings

We prayed that the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts would be acceptable to you, O God. We add the offering of these gifts and our lives in the hope that they are also acceptable to you. May they be evidence of our desire to follow Jesus and our turning away from all that hinders our discipleship.

In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen

Prayers for Others *(Take this time to pray for our world, our local community, and individuals)*

Music/Song

Oh Let the Son of God Enfold You

<https://vimeo.com/worshipwell/download/561637774/acdeb14e46>

Readings for Today

2 Sm 5:1-5, 9-10; Ps 48; 2Cor 12:2-10; Mark 6:1-13

Reflection

The Importance of Prayer by Rev Cherie Strudwick

<https://vimeo.com/worshipwell/download/569748610/487833a4fa>

Music/Song

The Power of Your Love

<https://vimeo.com/worshipwell/download/561637071/01fb1eb3d0>

Questions related to the Reflection

- When have you experienced the power of prayer?

Silence

Sit still and silent. Sink into your heart and think about how communication with God in prayer enriches your life and the lives of others.

Closing Prayer & Blessing

May the holy wisdom of God,
the selfless wisdom of Jesus Christ
and the discerning wisdom of the Holy Spirit
fill and bless our lives, now and always.

Music/Song (Optional - You may wish to include another piece of music or song here)

May the feet of God

<https://vimeo.com/worshipwell/download/558984652/65ab93999c>

Liturgies Online by Rev Dr Moira Laidlaw

<https://www.liturgiesonline.com.au/>

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