

## St Luke's Morning prayers together July 12<sup>th</sup> 2020



### God our refuge

#### *Introduction, welcome and prayer*

Music – we hear/sing **Jesus is Lord**.

'Jesus is Lord' – the cry that echoes through creation:  
Resplendent power, eternal Word, our Rock,  
The Son of God, the King whose glory fills the heavens,  
Yet bids us come to taste this living Bread.

Jesus is Lord – whose voice sustains the stars and planets,  
Yet in His wisdom laid aside His crown,  
Jesus the Man, who washed our feet, who bore our suffering,  
Became a curse to bring salvation's plan.

Jesus is Lord – the tomb is gloriously empty,  
Not even death could crush this King of love.  
The price is paid, the chains are loosed, and we're forgiven,  
And we can run into the arms of God.

'Jesus is Lord' – a shout of joy, a cry of anguish,  
As He returns, and every knee bows low.  
Then every eye and every heart will see His glory,  
The Judge of all will take His children home.

DD            The Lord be with you  
All            **and also with you.**

We pray together

All            **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.**

***Introduction to confession and pause for recollection***

All            We pray together  
**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
we have sinned against you  
and against our neighbour,  
in thought and word and deed,  
through negligence, through weakness,  
through our own deliberate fault.  
We are truly sorry  
and repent of all our sins.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
who died for us,  
forgive us all that is past,  
and grant that we may serve you  
in newness of life  
to the glory of your name.  
Amen.**

DD            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 Lord's Prayer*

### *A reading from the Psalms – Psalm 91 (read by Sophie Duncan)*

Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High  
will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.  
I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress,  
my God, in whom I trust."

Surely he will save you  
from the fowler's snare  
and from the deadly pestilence.  
He will cover you with his feathers,  
and under his wings you will find refuge;  
his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.  
You will not fear the terror of night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day,  
nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness,  
nor the plague that destroys at midday.  
A thousand may fall at your side,  
ten thousand at your right hand,  
but it will not come near you.  
You will only observe with your eyes  
and see the punishment of the wicked.

If you say, "The Lord is my refuge,"  
and you make the Most High your dwelling,  
no harm will overtake you,  
no disaster will come near your tent.  
For he will command his angels concerning you  
to guard you in all your ways;  
they will lift you up in their hands,  
so that you will not strike your foot against a stone.  
You will tread on the lion and the cobra;  
you will trample the great lion and the serpent.

"Because he loves me," says the Lord, "I will rescue him;  
I will protect him, for he acknowledges my name.  
He will call on me, and I will answer him;  
I will be with him in trouble,  
I will deliver him and honour him.  
With long life I will satisfy him  
and show him my salvation."

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

## ***Thought for the day***

Music - You are my hiding place (instrumental)

Music – we hear/sing **For this I have Jesus**

For the joys and for the sorrows,  
The best and worst of times,  
For this moment, for tomorrow,  
For all that lies behind;  
Fears that crowd around me,  
For the failure of my plans,  
For the dreams of all I hope to be,  
The truth of what I am:

*For this I have Jesus, For this I have Jesus, For this I have Jesus, I have Jesus.*  
(Repeat)

For the tears that flow in secret,  
In the broken times,  
For the moments of elation,  
Or the troubled mind;  
For all the disappointments,  
Or the sting of old regrets,  
All my prayers and longings  
That seem unanswered yet:

*For this I have Jesus...*

For the weakness of my body,  
The burdens of each day,  
For the nights of doubt and worry,  
When sleep has fled away;  
Needing reassurance,  
And the will to start again,  
A steely-eyed endurance,  
The strength to fight and win:

*For this I have Jesus...*

## ***Prayers (led by Simon Williams including the collect, or prayer for the week)***

These prayers will end:

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

## Music – We hear/sing **And can it be**

And can it be that I should gain  
An interest in the Saviour's blood?  
Died He for me, who caused His pain?  
For me, who Him to death pursued?  
Amazing love! how can it be  
That Thou, my God, shouldst die for me?

'Tis mystery all! The Immortal dies:  
Who can explore His strange design?  
In vain the first-born seraph tries  
To sound the depths of love divine!  
'Tis mercy all! let earth adore,  
Let angel minds inquire no more.

He left His Father's throne above,  
So free, so infinite His grace;  
Emptied Himself of all but love,  
And bled for Adam's helpless race.  
'Tis mercy all, immense and free;  
For, O my God, it found out me.

Long my imprisoned spirit lay  
Fast bound in sin and nature's night;  
Thine eye diffused a quickening ray,  
I woke, the dungeon flamed with light;  
My chains fell off, my heart was free;  
I rose, went forth, and followed Thee.

No condemnation now I dread;  
Jesus, and all in Him, is mine!  
Alive in Him, my living Head,  
And clothed in righteousness divine,  
Bold I approach the eternal throne,  
And claim the crown, through Christ my own.

***Blessing and peace***