



Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever.

Amen.

Hymn: 467 TELL OUT MY SOUL

Closing Prayers

God of Glory, you nourish us with your Word who is the bread of life:
fill us with your Holy Spirit that through us
the light of your glory may shine in all the world.

In darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy,

Help us heavenly Father, to trust your love,

to serve your purpose, and to praise your name;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Today is Bible Sunday. But the Bible isn't just for Sundays.

Go forth from here to read, study,
and live daily the stories in the Bible.

Be nourished by scripture like trees planted beside flowing streams.

Go forth and bear fruit.

And as you go, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Amen.

May Christ, who makes saints out of sinners,

and who transforms his saints on earth as in heaven,

raise and strengthen you that you may transform the world.

And the blessing ...

Hymn: 134 FOR ALL THE SAINTS vv1,2,3,7,8

Hymn: 514: THOU WHOSE ALMIGHTY WORD

Greeting

Grace, mercy and peace

from God our Father

and the Lord Jesus Christ

be with you.

and also with you

Blessed are you, Lord our God.

**How sweet are your words to the taste,
sweeter than honey to the mouth.**

**How precious are your commands for our life,
more than the finest gold in our hands.**

**How marvellous is your will for the world,
unending is your love for the nations.**

**Our voices shall sing of your promises
and our lips declare your praise
for ever and ever.**

Amen

Confession and Absolution

The word of God is living and active.

It judges the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

All is open and laid bare before the eyes

of him to whom we give account.

We confess our sins in penitence and faith.

We keep silence to recall our need for God's forgiveness.

Lord, your word convicts us:

all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Your word commands us:
repent, and believe the Good News.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.

Your word assures us:
Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

May the God of all healing and forgiveness
draw us to himself, and cleanse us from all our sins
that we may behold the glory of his Son,
the Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Blessed Lord,
who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning:
help us so to hear them,
to read, mark, learn and inwardly digest them
that, through patience, and the comfort of your holy word,
we may embrace and for ever hold fast
the hope of everlasting life,
which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

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Readings - Elaine Flint

Nehemiah 8 1-4a, 8-12
Romans 15 1-6

After each reading we use these words:
This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon

Hymn: 318 LORD, THY WORD ABIDETH

Affirmation of Faith

We say together in faith:
**Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he was buried;
he was raised to life on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures;
afterwards he appeared to his followers,
and to all the apostles: this we have received,
and this we believe.**
Amen.

The Intercessions - Malcolm & Dianne Taylor

Prayers of Intercession using this or another response

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer

Intercessions may end with

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

The Lord's Prayer

Jesus taught us to call God our Father,
so in faith and trust we pray: