Morning Worship 10th May 2020

The Preparation

'I am the way, and the truth, and the life,' says the Lord. 'No one comes to the Father except through me.'

John 14:6

Alleluia, Christ is risen.

He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Great is the Lord and worthy of all praise.

Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom, thanksgiving and honour, power and might, be to our God for ever and ever! Alleluia Amen.

Birthdays

Gay Spargo, Jean Webb, Barbara Jones

And a special new birthday: Jean Webb has a new great-granddaughter, Bianca Louise Mary, born on 7th weighing a good 8lbs 8oz. Hannah and baby are doing well.

Birthday song

Birthday greetings today. May God bless you we pray. Live for Jesus dear friends May he guide you each day.

Song

Give Me One Pure and Holy Passion

Brothers and sisters in Christ, let us praise and worship God who has called us together.

Let us celebrate God's majesty, and delight in the wonder of God's love. Together we shall confess our sins and receive assurance that we are forgiven.

As the scriptures are read, we can allow God's word to speak to us, and ponder its meaning for our lives. In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness, we pray for others as well as for ourselves, and we offer our lives anew in Christ's service.

All this we do, because we believe in the presence among us

of our Saviour Jesus Christ, and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

Confession

Hear these words of scripture. As God who called you is holy, be holy yourselves in all your conduct. Spirit of God, search our hearts.

Let us in silence remember our need for God's forgiveness.

Silence

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of mercy,

we have sinned against you and against others. We have sinned in what we have done, and in what we have failed to do.

We are truly sorry.

For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for our sins, forgive us all that is past and raise us to newness of life. Amen.

Almighty God, who pardons all who truly repent, forgive your sins, strengthen you by the Holy Spirit, and keep you in life eternal; through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.

Amen.

The Ministry of the Word

O come, let us sing to the Lord, let us rejoice in the rock of our salvation. We sing to you, O God, and bless your name; and tell of your salvation from day to day. We proclaim your glory to the nations, your praise to the ends of the earth.

The Readings from the New Testament Exodus 33:12-23; 1 Peter 2:2-10

Hymn:

You are the Way

The Reading from the Gospel John 14:1-14

The Sermon

Prayers

The Lord be with you. **The Lord bless you.**

As our Saviour Christ has taught us, we pray
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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are
yours now and for ever. Amen.

Unite714 Litany

Heavenly Father, for many weeks we have been living under the constant threat of COVID-19. Bombarded by bad news and sequestered in our homes, we have faced deep concerns and even the imminent possibility of sickness and financial hardship. There have been days we have struggled to stand in faith. Still, by your power and grace, we rise up.

We put on our spiritual armour today through faith in Jesus Christ. We pray against COVID-19

by the Word of God and through the strength of the Holy Spirit. We resist all the effects of COVID-19 on us, our families, churches, cities, and nations.

This virus has loomed over the nations of the world and has reached every aspect of society. Despite these challenges, we stand before COVID-19 and declare, "Our God is able to deliver us!"

We ask, O God, that by Your great mercy, COVID-19 will be eradicated—that we will soon see it gone and reduced to nothing.

Heavenly Father, increase our faith. Work in our hearts. Produce in us, Oh God, Your character. You have shown us Your mercy and grace countless times. We are thankful and humbly ask for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the peoples of the world. May countless millions be saved and discipled as your church boldly proclaims the Gospel in this critical hour.

This is our prayer and confidence through the mighty power of Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Make your ways known upon earth, O God, your saving power among all peoples.
Renew your Church in holiness, and help us to serve you with joy.
Guide the leaders of this and every nation, that justice may prevail throughout the world.
Let not the needy, O God, be forgotten, nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Make us instruments of your peace, and let your glory be over all the earth.

Collect for Times of Trouble

God of the present moment, God who in Jesus stills the storm and soothes the frantic heart; bring hope and courage to us all as we wait in uncertainty. Bring hope that you will make us more than conquerors through whatever lies ahead, for your will is health and wholeness; you are God, and we need you. **Amen.**

The Collect of the Day

Eternal God,
your Son Jesus Christ
is the way, the truth and the life for all creation;
grant us grace to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

Morning Collect

Holy and ever living God, by your power we are created and by your love we are redeemed; guide and strengthen us by your Spirit, that we may give ourselves to your service, and live each day in love to one another and to you, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

Hymn

Great is Your Faithfulness

The Gifts of the People are acknowledged.
Almighty God;
you give seed for us to sow,
and bread for us to eat:

make us thankful for what we have received; make us rich to do those generous things which supply your people's needs; so all the world may give you thanks and glory. **Amen.**

The Dismissal

May God the Father bring us to the home which his Son prepares for all who love him.

Amen.

May God the Son give us the will to live for him each day in life eternal.

Amen.

May God the Holy Spirit give us the assurance that our citizenship is in heaven with the blessed and beloved, and the whole company of the redeemed. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit be with you now and remain with you. **Amen.**

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

Amen. We go in the name of Christ.