

Welcome & Opening Sentence

Jesus said: 'I have come that you may have life, and may have it in all its fullness.'

Opening Prayers

Almighty God our heavenly Father, you have blessed us with the gift of life and placed us in a world of beauty and wonder. Your perfect will for us is wholeness in body, mind and spirit. We bow in awe and wonder at your feet and freely acknowledge our dependence upon you for all that is good.

Silence

In your presence we remember our sin and failure, all that damages our lives, the lives of others and the world which you have created.

Silence

In penitence we ask You to forgive us, in the name of our Lord Jesus who loves us and gave Himself for us.

Silence

Jesus said: 'Come to me, all you that are weary and are carrying heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.'

We say together the prayer that Jesus gave 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.**

Bible Reading

Silence

A Time of Prayer for Healing

which may include the placing of stones, lighting of candles or other activity.

Blessed are you, sovereign God, gentle and merciful. Your anointed Son brought healing to those in weakness and distress; he broke the power of evil and set us free from sin and death that we might become partakers of his glory.

Remember in your mercy all for whom we pray;
in the fullness of time complete your gracious work
that we may be restored in your image, renewed in your love, and
for ever praise your great and holy name,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Holy God, in whom we live and move and have our being, we make our prayer to you saying,
Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Grant to all who seek you
the assurance of your presence, your power and your peace.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Grant your healing grace to all who are sick,
that they may be made whole in body, mind and spirit.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Grant to all who minister to the suffering
wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Sustain and support the anxious and fearful
and lift up all who are brought low.
Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Hear us, Lord of life. **Heal us, and make us whole.**

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Laying on of Hands & Anointing

Those who wish may come forward to be prayed for and anointed with oil

The minister says

In the name of God and trusting in his might alone,
receive Christ's healing touch to make you whole.
May Christ bring you wholeness
of body, mind and spirit, deliver you from every evil,
and give you his peace. Amen.

N, I anoint you in the name of God who gives you life.
Receive Christ's forgiveness, his healing and his love.
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
grant you the riches of his grace,
his wholeness and his peace. Amen.

When all who wish have been anointed the minister says:

The almighty Lord, who is a strong tower for all who put their trust
in him, whom all things in heaven, on earth and under the earth
obey, be now and evermore your defence. May you believe and
trust that the only name under heaven given for health and
salvation is the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving

We thank you, gracious God. You have loved us from the beginning of time and remembered us when we were in trouble. Your mercy endures for ever. We thank you, redeeming God. You have come to us in Jesus Christ, who heals us and saves us from sin. Your mercy endures for ever. We thank you, holy God. You have sent us your Spirit, to comfort us and lead us into all truth. Your mercy endures for ever. Gracious, redeeming and holy God, glory and praise be yours, now and for ever. Amen.

Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine on you and be gracious to you; the Lord look on you with kindness and give you peace. **Amen.**

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