

PRAYER IN THE HOME

TRINITY 16: SUNDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2020

GATHERING

Let us light a candle to remember that God is with us.

All creation praises you, Lord,
and your faithful servants bless you.
**They declare the glory of your kingdom
and tell of your mighty power.**

The Lord is with us.

Let us praise his name together.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

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.

COLLECT for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

Lord of creation,
whose glory is around and within us:
open our eyes to your wonders,
that we may serve you with reverence
and know your peace at our lives' end,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PSALM 25:1-9

¹To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul.

²O my God, in you I trust;
do not let me be put to shame;
do not let my enemies exult over me.

³Do not let those who wait for you be put to shame;
let them be ashamed who are wantonly treacherous.

⁴Make me to know your ways, O LORD;
teach me your paths.

⁵Lead me in your truth, and teach me,
for you are the God of my salvation;
for you I wait all day long.

⁶Be mindful of your mercy, O LORD, and of your steadfast love,
for they have been from of old.

⁷Do not remember the sins of my youth or my transgressions;
according to your steadfast love remember me,
for your goodness' sake, O LORD!

⁸Good and upright is the LORD;
therefore he instructs sinners in the way.

⁹He leads the humble in what is right,
and teaches the humble his way.

BIBLE READING Isaiah 65.17-25

For I am about to create new heavens and a new earth;
the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind.

But be glad and rejoice for ever in what I am creating;
for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight.

I will rejoice in Jerusalem and delight in my people;
no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress.

No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days,
or an old person who does not live out a lifetime;

for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth,
and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed.

They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

They shall not build and another inhabit;
they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

They shall not labour in vain, or bear children for calamity;
for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord—
and their descendants as well.

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear.

The wolf and the lamb shall feed together,
the lion shall eat straw like the ox;
but the serpent—its food shall be dust!

They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

SERMON Rev Richard Taylor: <https://stbcc.co.uk/sermons>

INTERCESSIONS FOR CREATIONTIDE & CLOSING PRAYER

We offer our prayers to God for the life of the world
and for all God's people in their daily life and work
God the beginning and end of all things, we pray that in us
and in all your people your will may be done,
according to your wise and loving purposes
Lord of life: **hear our prayer.**

We pray for governments and aid agencies,
and those areas of the world most directly affected by climate change.
By the grace of your Spirit, touch the hearts of those who live in
comfortable plenty and make us wise stewards of your gifts.
Lord of life: **hear our prayer.**

Lord, we ask for your blessing upon the produce of the earth.
Guide us into a sustainable future

and give us the will to share the fruits of the world.
Lord of life: **hear our prayer.**

In Christ you call us to a new way of life,
loving our neighbours before ourselves.
Help us to treat with care and respect the world as it is
as we live in anticipation of the world as it will be.
Lord of life: **hear our prayer.**

*We take a few moments to pray for those in need:
the sick, the bereaved, the distressed and the lonely,
mentioning anyone we know by name.*
Lord of life: **hear our prayer.**

We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,
to the mercy and protection of God.

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

Trusting in the compassion of God,
as our Saviour taught us, so 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.
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.**

May God who clothes the lilies of the fields
and feeds the birds of the air,
lead us and feed us,
and change us to reflect the glory of our Creator
now and through all eternity.

Amen