

Greeting

The Lord be with you
All and also with you.

Confession

Let us admit to God the sin which always confronts us.
All Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Absolution

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.

Reading from Holy Scripture: Acts 2.1-13

Teaching slot: Acts. Being Church In These Days: Fill up with
God and overflow
Jonathan Phillips

TIME TO LABYRINTH

Musical worship

Questions to ponder on from the talk

Question 1:

How do you pour God into You?

Question 2:

Think of several times when overflowing with God was
spontaneous and several times when you had to choose it!

Question 3:

Can a city overflow?

The Nicene Creed

WE BELIEVE in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.











For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Psalm 57

1 Be merciful to me, O God, be merciful to me, 
for my soul takes refuge in you;
2 In the shadow of your wings will I take refuge 
until the storm of destruction has passed by.
3 I will call upon the Most High God, 
the God who fulfils his purpose for me.
4 He will send from heaven and save me
and rebuke those that would trample upon me; 
God will send forth his love and his faithfulness.
5 I lie in the midst of lions, 
people whose teeth are spears and arrows,
and their tongue a sharp sword.
6 Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, 
and your glory over all the earth.
7 They have laid a net for my feet;
my soul is pressed down; 
they have dug a pit before me
and will fall into it themselves.
8 My heart is ready, O God, my heart is ready; 
I will sing and give you praise.
9 Awake, my soul; awake, harp and lyre, 
that I may awaken the dawn.
10 I will give you thanks, O Lord, among the peoples; 
I will sing praise to you among the nations.

11For your loving-kindness is as high as the heavens, ♦
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

12*Be exalted, O God, above the heavens, ♦
and your glory over all the earth.*

*Tender God,
gentle protector in time of trouble,
pierce the gloom of despair
and give us, with all your people,
the song of freedom and the shout of praise;
in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Intercessions

Lizzie Jewkes

We begin our prayers this evening with some words from
Isaiah 53

He was despised and rejected—

a man of sorrows, acquainted with deepest grief.

We turned our backs on him and looked the other way.

He was despised, and we did not care.

⁴ Yet it was our weaknesses he carried;

it was our sorrows^[a] that weighed him down.

And we thought his troubles were a punishment from God,

a punishment for his own sins!

⁵ But he was pierced for our rebellion,

crushed for our sins.

He was beaten so we could be whole.

He was whipped so we could be healed.

Jesus we praise you that sacrifice was complete. Jesus so
many other religions require their followers to work
towards their salvation. We praise you that you have done
it all. All we need to say is 'Thank you'. Help us to
remember that there is nothing we can do to make you love
us more and nothing we can do to make you love us less.

Father God we pray for all those across the world who
cannot worship as we do. Tonight, we especially pray for
the church in North Korea, the hardest place in the world to
be a Christian. Now the people are facing famine and
starvation. We join our prayers to those of our brothers and
sisters in North Korea and ask for an end to the suffering of
all in that country. We praise you for everyone who
supports those in the persecuted church and helps to feed
them both physically and spiritually. We pray for a life of
freedom for all those who live under persecution.

Father God, today we think of our Queen as she mourns the
loss of her husband. The passing of a stalwart support, wise
counsellor and loyal friend will be hard to bear. We praise
you that she has put her faith in you and that you will give
her strength and comfort, peace and acceptance that will
sustain her in this difficult time.

Father God we praise you for our church family and look
forward to a time when we can all meet together again. We

praise you for the Tuesday service people, 3rd Space, the
Isabella theatre group, Games@theCross and Night Church.
We look forward to being able to restart and praise you for
each opportunity they bring to reach those who don't know
you.

Father God we lift up to you all those known to us who are
suffering in mind, body or spirit. We praise you that you can
bring healing and comfort to them all.

Thank God! He deserves your thanks. *His love never
quits*. Thank the God of all gods, *His love never quits*. Thank
the Lord of all lords. *His love never quits*. God remembered
us when we were down, *His love never quits*. Rescued us
from the trampling boot, *His love never quits*. Takes care of
everyone in time of need. *His love never quits*. Thank God,
who did it all! *His love never quits!*

Psalm 136:1,26 MSG

Amen

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.

The Lord's Prayer

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Blessing & Dismissal
