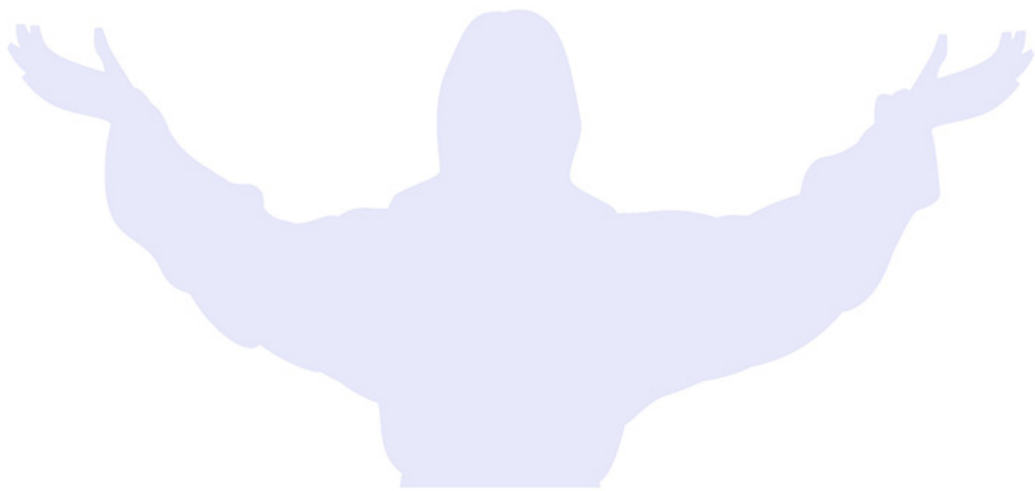


Diocese of Derby Clergy Conference



THE BODY OF CHRIST

**Worship Booklet for
TUESDAY 15 OCTOBER 2024**



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THE KINGDOM OF GOD - GOOD NEWS FOR ALL

Tuesday 15 October

The Order for the Administration of the Lord's Supper or Holy Communion

Teresa of Avila, Lesser Festival

Using KJV

The Priest shall say the Lord's Prayer with the Collect following, the people kneeling.

OUR Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

THE COLLECT

ALMIGHTY God, unto whom all hearts be open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then shall the Priest, turning to the people, rehearse distinctly all the TEN COMMANDMENTS: and the people still kneeling shall after every Commandment ask God mercy for their transgression thereof for the time past, and grace to keep the same for the time to come, as followeth.

Minister. GOD spake these words, and said; I am the Lord thy God: Thou shalt have none other gods but me.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not make to thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down to them, nor worship them. For I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, and visit the sins of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and shew mercy unto thousands in them that love me and keep my commandments.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not take the Name of the Lord thy God in vain: for the Lord will not hold him guiltless, that taketh his Name in vain.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all that thou hast to do; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God. In it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, thy man-servant, and thy maid-servant, thy cattle, and the stranger that is

within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day, and hallowed it.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Honour thy father and thy mother; that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt do no murder.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not commit adultery.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not steal.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us,
and incline our hearts to keep this law.

Minister. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his servant, nor his maid, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is his.

People. Lord, have mercy upon us,
and write all these thy laws in our hearts,
we beseech thee.

Then shall follow a Collect for the King, the Priest standing as before, and saying,

Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY God, whose kingdom is ever-lasting, and power infinite: Have mercy upon the whole Church; and so rule the heart of thy chosen servant *CHARLES*, our King and Governor, that he (knowing whose minister he is) may above all things seek thy honour and glory: and that we and all his subjects (duly considering whose authority he hath) may faithfully serve, honour, and humbly obey him, in thee, and for thee, according to thy blessed Word and ordinance; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the Holy Ghost liveth and reigneth, ever one God, world without end. **Amen.**

Then shall be said the Collect of the Day.

O almighty and most merciful God, of thy bountiful goodness keep us, we beseech thee, from all things that may hurt us; that we, being ready both in body and soul, may cheerfully accomplish those things that thou wouldest have done; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

And immediately after the Collect a minister shall read the Epistle, saying,

The Epistle is written in the Letter to the Colossians, Chapter 3, beginning at the first Verse. **(Col 3.1-17) (authorised version)**

And the Epistle ended, the priest shall say,

Here endeth the Epistle.

Then shall the priest shall read the Gospel (the people all standing up) saying,

The holy Gospel is written in the Gospel of Matthew, Chapter 18, beginning at the 14th Verse. **(Matt 18.1-14) (authorised version)**

And the Gospel ended, shall be said the Creed following, the people still standing as before.

I BELIEVE in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And of all things visible and invisible:

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, Begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of very God, Begotten, not made, Being of one substance with the Father, By whom all things were made: Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, And was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, And was made man, And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He

suffered and was buried, And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father. And he shall come again with glory to judge both the quick and the dead: Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord and giver of life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, Who spake by the Prophets. And I believe one Catholick and Apostolick Church. I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins. And I look for the Resurrection of the dead, And the life of the world to come. Amen.

Then shall the Priest return to the Lord's Table, and begin the Offertory, saying one or more of these Sentences following, as the priest thinketh most convenient in their discretion.

LET your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

St. Matthew 5.

Lay not up for yourselves treasure upon the earth; where the rust and moth doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven; where neither rust nor moth doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through and steal. *St. Matthew 6.*

And when there is a Communion, the Priest shall then place upon the Table so much Bread and Wine as they shall think sufficient. After which done, the Priest shall say,

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church militant here in earth.

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, who by thy holy Apostle hast taught us to make prayers and supplications, and to give thanks, for all men:

We humbly beseech thee most mercifully to receive these our prayers, which we offer unto thy Divine Majesty; beseeching thee to inspire continually the universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord: And grant, that all they that do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity, and godly love.

We beseech thee also to save and defend all Christian Kings, Princes, and Governors; and specially thy servant CHARLES our King; that under him we may be godly and quietly governed: And grant unto him whole Council, and to all that are put in authority under him, that they may truly and indifferently minister justice, to the punishment of wickedness and vice, and to the maintenance of thy true religion, and virtue.

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all Bishops and Curates, that they may both by their life and doctrine set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments:

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace; and specially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear, and receive thy holy Word; truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

And we most humbly beseech thee of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succour all them, who in this transitory life are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear; beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow their good examples, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom: Grant this, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. **Amen.**

Then shall the Priest say to them that come to receive the holy Communion,

YE that do truly and earnestly repent you of your sins, and are in love and charity with your neighbours, and intend to lead a new life, following the commandments of God, and walking from henceforth in his holy ways: Draw near with faith, and take this holy Sacrament to your comfort; and make your humble confession to Almighty God, meekly kneeling upon your knees.

Then shall this general Confession be made, in the name of all those that are minded to receive the holy Communion, by one of the Ministers: both the priest and all the people kneeling humbly upon their knees and saying,

ALMIGHTY God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men: We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, Which we from time to time most grievously have committed, By thought, word, and deed, Against thy Divine Majesty, Provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us. We do earnestly repent, And are heartily sorry for these our misdoings; The remembrance of them is grievous unto us; The burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; For thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, Forgive us all that is past; And grant that we may ever hereafter Serve and please thee In newness of life, To the honour and glory of thy Name; Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Then shall the Priest stand up, and turning to the people, pronounce this Absolution

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all them that with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him; Have mercy upon you; pardon and deliver you from all your sins; confirm and strengthen you in all goodness; and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Then shall the Priest say,

Hear what comfortable words our Saviour Christ saith unto all that truly turn to him.

COME unto me all that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *St. Matthew 11.28*

So God loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *St. John 3.16*

Hear also what Saint John saith.

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the propitiation for our sins.

1 St. John 2.1

After which the Priest shall proceed, saying,

Priest. Lift up your hearts.

Answer. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Priest. Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

Answer. It is meet and right so to do.

Then shall the Priest turn to the Lord's Table and say,

IT is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, Holy Father, Almighty, Everlasting God.

THEREFORE with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of thy glory: Glory be to thee, O Lord most High. Amen.

Then shall the Priest, kneeling down at the Lord's Table, say in the name of all them that shall receive the Communion this Prayer following.

WE do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord, whose property is always to have mercy: Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that our sinful bodies may be made clean by his body, and our souls washed through his most precious blood, and that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. **Amen.**

When the Priest, standing before the Table, hath so ordered the Bread and Wine, the priest shall say the Prayer of Consecration, as followeth.

ALMIGHTY God, our heavenly Father, who of thy tender mercy didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to suffer death upon the Cross for our redemption; who made there (by his one oblation of himself once offered) a full, perfect, and sufficient sacrifice, oblation, and satisfaction, for the sins of the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death, until his coming again:

Hear us, O merciful Father, we most humbly beseech thee; and grant that we receiving these thy creatures of bread and wine, according to thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's holy institution, in remembrance of his death and passion, may be partakers of his most blessed Body and Blood: who, in the same night that he was betrayed, took Bread; and, when he had given thanks, he brake it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, Take, eat; this is my Body which is given for you: Do this in remembrance of me.

Likewise after supper he took the Cup; and, when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of this; for this is my Blood of the New Testament, which is shed for you and for many for the remission of sins: Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me. **Amen.**

And, when the Bread delivereth to any one, the priest shall say,
THE Body of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was given for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Take and eat this in remembrance that Christ died for thee, and feed on him in thy heart by faith with thanksgiving.

And the Minister that delivereth the Cup to any one shall say,

THE Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which was shed for thee, preserve thy body and soul unto everlasting life: Drink this in remembrance that Christ's Blood was shed for thee, and be thankful.

When all have communicated, the Minister shall return to the Lord's Table, and reverently place upon it what remaineth of the consecrated Elements, covering the same with a fair linen cloth. Then shall the Priest say the Lord's Prayer,

OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that 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.

After shall be said as followeth.

O LORD and heavenly Father, we thy humble servants entirely desire thy fatherly goodness mercifully to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving; most humbly beseeching thee to grant, that by the merits and death of thy Son Jesus Christ, and through faith in his blood, we and all thy whole Church may obtain remission of our sins, and all other benefits of his passion. And here we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies, to be a reasonable, holy, and lively sacrifice unto thee; humbly beseeching thee, that all we, who are partakers of this holy Communion, may be fulfilled with thy grace and heavenly benediction. And although we be unworthy, through our manifold sins, to offer unto thee any sacrifice, yet we beseech thee to accept this our bounden duty and service; not weighing our merits, but pardoning our offences, through Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with

whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, all honour and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **Amen.**

Then shall be said,

GLORY be to God on high, and in earth peace, good will towards men. We praise thee, we bless thee, we worship thee, we glorify thee, we give thanks to thee for thy great glory, O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.

O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesu Christ; O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us. Thou that takest away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy upon us.

For thou only art holy; thou only art the Lord; thou only, O Christ, with the Holy Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Then the Priest shall let them depart with this Blessing.

THE peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord: And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Tuesday 15 October - Morning Prayer

Teresa of Avila, Lesser Festival

Please stand

Song of Worship

Living Hope

Phil Wickham & Brian Johnson

1. How great the chasm that lay between us,
how high the mountain I could not climb.
In desperation, I turned to heaven
and spoke your name into the night.
Then through the darkness, your loving kindness
tore through the shadows of my soul.
The work is finished, the end is written,
Jesus Christ, my living hope.
2. Who could imagine so great a mercy?
What heart could fathom such boundless grace?
The God of ages stepped down from glory
to wear my sin and bear my shame.
The cross has spoken, I am forgiven,
the king of kings calls me his own.
Beautiful saviour, I'm yours forever,
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

Chorus:

Hallelujah, praise the one who set me free.
Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me.
You have broken every chain,
there's salvation in your name.
Jesus Christ, my living hope.

3. Then came the morning that sealed the promise,
your buried body began to breathe.
Out of the silence, the roaring lion
declared the grave has no claim on me
(Jesus, yours is the victory).

Chorus

Holy Forever

Brian Johnson, Chris Tomlin, Jason Ingram, Jenn Johnson & Phil Wickham

1. A thousand generations falling down in worship
to sing the song of ages to the lamb.
And all who've gone before us, and all who will believe
will sing the song of ages to the lamb.

Pre-chorus:

Your name is the highest, your name is the greatest,
your name stands above them all.
All thrones and dominions, all powers and positions,
your name stands above them all.

Chorus:

And the angels cry 'holy,' all creation cries 'holy,
you are lifted high, holy, holy forever'.

Hear your people sing 'holy, to the king of kings, holy
you will always be holy, holy forever'.

2. If you've been forgiven, and if you've been redeemed,
sing the song forever to the lamb.
If you walk in freedom, and if you bear his name,
sing the song forever to the lamb.
We'll sing the song forever and amen.

Chorus

The Greeting

O Lord, open our lips

All **and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

We come in this service to God,

All **in our need, and bringing with us the needs of the world.**

We come to God, who has come to us in Jesus,

All **and who walks with us the road of our world's suffering.**

We come with our faith and with our doubts,

All **we come with our hopes and with our fears.**

We come as we are,
because it is God who invites us to come,
All **and God has promised never to turn us away.**

Blessed are you, creator of all,
to you be praise and glory for ever.
As your dawn renews the face of the earth
bringing light and life to all creation,
may we rejoice in this day you have made;
as we wake refreshed from the depths of sleep,
open our eyes to behold your presence
and strengthen our hands to do your will,
that the world may rejoice and give you praise.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you;
now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Sit

The Word of God

Psalmody

Psalm 133

- 1 Behold how good and pleasant it is
to dwell together in unity.
- 2 It is like the precious oil upon the head,
running down upon the beard,
- 3 Even on Aaron's beard,
running down upon the collar of his clothing.
- 4 It is like the dew of Hermon
running down upon the hills of Zion.
- 5 For there the Lord has promised his blessing:
even life for evermore.

Psalm 134

- 1 Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord,
you that by night stand in the house of the Lord.
- 2 Lift up your hands towards the sanctuary
and bless the Lord.

- 3 The Lord who made heaven and earth
give you blessing out of Zion.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

New Testament Reading

Romans 12.1-8

Speaker

The Rt Revd Rose Hudson-Wilkin

Coffee Break - 30 minutes

Please stand

Song of Worship

This I Believe (& The Stand)

Ben Fielding & Matt Crocker

1. Our Father everlasting, the all-creating one,
God almighty.
Through your Holy Spirit, conceiving Christ the son,
Jesus our saviour.

Chorus:

I believe in God our Father, I believe in Christ the Son.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, our God is three in one.
I believe in the resurrection, that we will rise again.
For I believe in the name of Jesus.

2. Our judge and our defender, suffered and crucified -
forgiveness is in you.
Descended into darkness, you rose in glorious life,
forever seated high.

Bridge:

I believe in you, I believe you rose again,
I believe that Jesus Christ is Lord.

Chorus 2:

I believe in life eternal, I believe in the virgin birth,
I believe in the saints' communion, and in your holy church.
I believe in the resurrection, when Jesus comes again,
for I believe in the name of Jesus.

Tag:

So what can I say, and what can I do,
but offer this heart, O God, completely to you?

Tag 2:

I'll stand with arms high and heart abandoned,
In awe of the one who gave it all.
I'll stand, my soul Lord, to you surrendered,
all I am is yours.

Gospel Canticle

The Benedictus (The Song of Zechariah)

Refrain:

**All Christ gave them as a light to the nations
that his salvation might reach to the ends of the earth.**

1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, ♦
who has come to his people and set them free.

2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, ♦
born of the house of his servant David.

3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old ♦
to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all that hate us,

4 To show mercy to our ancestors, ♦
and to remember his holy covenant.

5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: ♦
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

6 Free to worship him without fear, ♦
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.

7 And you, child, shall be called
the prophet of the Most High, ♦
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

8 To give his people knowledge of salvation ♦
by the forgiveness of all their sins.

9 In the tender compassion of our God ♦
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness
and the shadow of death, ♦
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1.68-79

All **Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

All **Christ gave them as a light to the nations
that his salvation might reach to the ends of the earth.**

Sit

Speaker

The Revd Jessica Foster

Intercessions

We respond with prayer,

In you, gracious God,
the widowed find a carer,
the orphaned find a parent,
the fearful find a friend...

In you,
the wounded find a healer,
the penitent find a pardoner,
the burdened find a counsellor...

In you,
the miserly find a beggar,
the despondent find a laughter-maker,
the legalists find a rule-breaker...

In you, Jesus Christ,
we meet our Maker, and our match.
And if some need to say, "Help me"
and if some need to say, "Save me"
and if some need to say, "Hold me"
and if some need to say, "Forgive me"
then let these be said now
in confidence by us.

All Amen

Conference Collect

God of our every moment,
as we give thanks for the life of our diocese
we remember with gratitude
all who have served you in the past,
commit ourselves to you afresh in this present moment
and ask for courage and strength for the future.
Bless our conference as a time of refreshment and creativity,
of friendships formed and renewed,
of shared dreams and transforming visions,
and give us joy as we serve you here
for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All **Amen**

The Lord's Prayer

Uniting all our prayers in the words that Jesus gave us, and
in whatever language or version you prefer:

All **Our Father...**

The Diocesan Vision Prayer

All **Gracious God,**
in your mercy, and for your glory,
renew us, reshape us, revive us -
with generous faith, courageous hope, and life-giving love-
that, in transformed lives,
through growing church and building community,
we may see your Kingdom come
and be good news for all.
Amen.

The Conclusion

Prayer for Courage from the Corrymeela Community:

Courage comes from the heart
and we are always welcomed by God,
the Croí¹ of all being.

We bear witness to our faith,
knowing that we are called to live
lives of courage,
love and reconciliation
in the ordinary and extraordinary moments
of each day.

We bear witness, too, to our failures
and our complicity in the fractures of our world.

¹ The Irish word Croí (pronounced 'Kree') means 'heart' and is the name for the chapel space in Corrymeela.

All **May we be courageous today.**
May we learn today.
May we love today.
Amen.

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,
and keep us in eternal life.

All **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Tuesday 15 October – Collective Worship

We are very pleased and grateful to St John's Church of England Primary School for leading our afternoon worship today. In particular, thank you Liz Seymour, Deputy Director of Education; Roger Averis, Head Teacher; Jo Richardson, Teacher leading worship; the Kolkata Companions, students participating in leading worship; and the Revd Dr Daniel McGinnis for his biblical reflection.

Please note: All Words and Song Lyrics are only on PowerPoint.

Please note changes in worship to previous years:

As we attempt to work variation the conference each year, we continue to try to balance our worship so that people across the breadth of our church traditions can be fed.

As you may have noticed from the programme, we have invited St John's Church of England Primary School, Belper to lead collective worship this year. We gave them a variety of options for them to choose the time best for their students. The slot that best fit them was where we previously have had more charismatic praise worship music. To provide balance and support all traditions while not showing favouritism, we felt it fair not to have an adoration that evening as well. We hope you understand, and we look forward to having both of those services available next year.

Tuesday 15 October – Night Prayer

Teresa of Avila, Lesser Festival

Preparation

The Lord almighty grant us a quiet night and a perfect end.

All **Amen.**

Our help is in the name of the Lord

All **who made heaven and earth.**

A period of silence for reflection on the past day may follow.

All **Most merciful God,
we confess to you,
before the whole company of heaven and one another,
that we have sinned in thought, word and deed
and in what we have failed to do.**

**Forgive us our sins,
heal us by your Spirit
and raise us to new life in Christ. Amen.**

O God, make speed to save us.

All **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.
Alleluia.**

The following or other suitable hymn may be sung.

Before the ending of the day,
Creator of the world, we pray
That you, with steadfast love, would keep
Your watch around us while we sleep.

From evil dreams defend our sight,
From fears and terrors of the night;
Tread underfoot our deadly foe
That we no sinful thought may know.

O Father, that we ask be done
Through Jesus Christ, your only Son;
And Holy Spirit, by whose breath
Our souls are raised to life from death.

The Word of God
Psalmody

Psalm 143

- 1 Hear my prayer, O Lord,
and in your faithfulness give ear to my supplications; ♦
answer me in your righteousness.
- 2 Enter not into judgement with your servant, ♦
for in your sight shall no one living be justified.
- 3 For the enemy has pursued me,
crushing my life to the ground, ♦
making me sit in darkness like those long dead.
- 4 My spirit faints within me; ♦
my heart within me is desolate.
- 5 I remember the time past; I muse upon all your deeds; ♦
I consider the works of your hands.
- 6 I stretch out my hands to you; ♦
my soul gasps for you like a thirsty land.
- 7 O Lord, make haste to answer me; my spirit fails me; ♦
hide not your face from me
lest I be like those who go down to the Pit.

- 8 Let me hear of your loving-kindness in the morning,
for in you I put my trust; ♦
show me the way I should walk in,
for I lift up my soul to you.
- 9 Deliver me, O Lord, from my enemies, ♦
for I flee to you for refuge.
- 10 Teach me to do what pleases you, for you are my God; ♦
let your kindly spirit lead me on a level path.
- 11 Revive me, O Lord, for your name's sake; ♦
for your righteousness' sake, bring me out of trouble.
- 12 In your faithfulness, slay my enemies,
and destroy all the adversaries of my soul, ♦
for truly I am your servant.

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Scripture Reading

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. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.'

Matthew 11.28–end

The following responsory may be said

Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.

For you have redeemed me, Lord God of truth.

All I commend my spirit.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit.

All Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.


Keep me as the apple of your eye.


All Hide me under the shadow of your wings.


Gospel Canticle

The Nunc Dimittis (Song of Simeon) is said or sung.

**All Save us, O Lord, while waking,
and guard us while sleeping,
that awake we may watch with Christ
and asleep may rest in peace.**

1 Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: 
your word has been fulfilled.

2 My own eyes have seen the salvation 
which you have prepared in the sight of every people;

3 A light to reveal you to the nations 
and the glory of your people Israel.

Luke 2.29-32

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**All Grant us your light, O Lord,
that the darkness of our hearts being overcome,
we may receive the true light,
even Christ our Saviour.**

Prayers

Intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered here.

Silence may be kept.

Conference Collect

God of our every moment,
as we give thanks for the life of our diocese
we remember with gratitude
all who have served you in the past,
commit ourselves to you afresh in this present moment
and ask for courage and strength for the future.

Bless our conference as a time of refreshment and creativity,
of friendships formed and renewed,
of shared dreams and transforming visions,
and give us joy as we serve you here
for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All **Amen**

Collect for the Lesser Feast of Teresa of Avila

Merciful God,
who by your Spirit raised up your servant Teresa of Avila
to reveal to your Church the way of perfection:
grant that her teaching
may awaken in us a longing for holiness,
until we attain to the perfect union of love
in Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

Visit this place, O Lord, we pray,
and drive far from it the snares of the enemy;
may your holy angels dwell with us and guard us in peace,
and may your blessing be always upon us;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer is said.

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All **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.**

The Conclusion

In peace we will lie down and sleep;
All **for you alone, Lord, make us dwell in safety.**

Abide with us, Lord Jesus,
All **for the night is at hand and the day is now past.**

As the night watch looks for the morning,
All **so do we look for you, O Christ.**

The Lord bless us and watch over us;
the Lord make his face shine upon us and be gracious to us;
the Lord look kindly on us and give us peace.

All **Amen.**