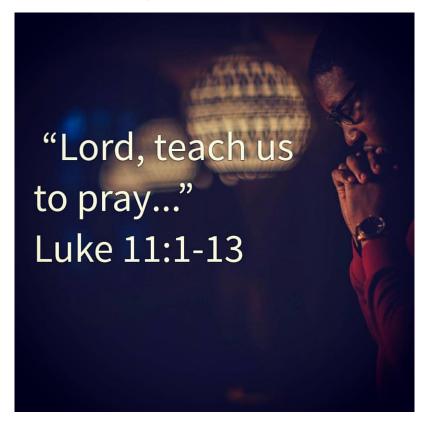
# St Andrew's and St George's West Order of Service, 24 July 2022

## **Praying the Jesus Way**



## **Gathering music**

Welcome

Call to worship

(Psalm 84 vv. 1, 4, 8, 12)

How lovely is your dwelling place, O Lord of hosts!

Happy are those who live in your house, ever singing your praise!

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer; give ear, O God of Jacob!

O Lord of hosts, happy is the one who trusts in you!

## **Hymn** 182 Now thank we all our God

Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

- 2 Oh, may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever-joyful hearts and blessèd peace to cheer us, and keep us in his grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
- 3 All praise and thanks to God who reigns in highest heaven the Father and the Son and Spirit now be given: the one, eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

## Opening Prayer and the Lord's Prayer

...Our Father in heaven.
Hallowed be your name
Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us in the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.

'Say it to God'

#### **Sharing the Peace**

The peace of Christ be with you and also with you

### **Hymn** 547 What a friend we have in Jesus

- What a friend we have in Jesus, all our sins and griefs to bear!
  What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!
  Oh, what peace we often forfeit, oh, what needless pain we bear, all because we do not carry everything to God in prayer!
- 2 Have we trials and temptations, is there trouble anywhere? We should never be discouraged: take it to the Lord in prayer.

Can we find a friend so faithful, who will all our sorrows share? Jesus knows our every weakness: take it to the Lord in prayer.

3 Are we weak and heavy-laden, cumbered with a load of care?
Jesus is our only refuge: take it to the Lord in prayer.
Do your friends despise, forsake you?
Take it to the Lord in prayer!
In his arms he'll take and shield you; you will find a solace there.

## **Scripture Readings**

#### Psalm 138: 1-3

- <sup>1</sup> I give you thanks, O LORD, with my whole heart; before the gods I sing your praise;
- <sup>2</sup>I bow down toward your holy temple and give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted your name and your word above everything.
- <sup>3</sup> On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul.

#### Luke 11: 1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

And he said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, "Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him." And he answers from within, "Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything." I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

'So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your

children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

## **Reflection** 'Praying the Jesus Way'

## **Hymn** 540 I heard the voice of Jesus say

- 1 I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Come unto me and rest; lay down, thou weary one, lay down thy head upon my breast': I came to Jesus as I was, so weary, worn, and sad; I found in him a resting-place, and he has made me glad.
- I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'Behold, I freely give the living water; thirsty one, stoop down and drink, and live': I came to Jesus, and I drank of that life-giving stream; my thirst was quenched, my soul revived, and now I live in him.
- I heard the voice of Jesus say, 'I am this dark world's Light; Look unto me, thy morn shall rise, and all thy day be bright': I looked to Jesus, and I found in him my Star, my Sun; and in that light of life I'll walk, till travelling days are done.

## **Prayers of the People**

Lord in your mercy Hear our prayer

#### **Hymn** 528 Make me a channel of your peace

- Make me a channel of your peace.
  Where there is hatred let me bring your love;
  where there is injury, your pardon, Lord;
  and where there's doubt, true faith in you.
  Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek
  so much to be consoled as to console;
  to be understood as to understand;
  to be loved, as to love with all my soul.
- Make me a channel of your peace. Where there's despair in life let me bring hope; where there is darkness, only light; and where there's sadness, ever joy.
- 3 Make me a channel of your peace. It is in pardoning that we are pardoned, in giving of ourselves that we receive; and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

## Sending and blessing

## Sending music

Worship Leader: Very Rev Dr Angus Morrison

Scripture Reader: Veronica Crerar Organist/pianist: Jamie Turnbull

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Phillipa Burgess, Amy Marcham

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