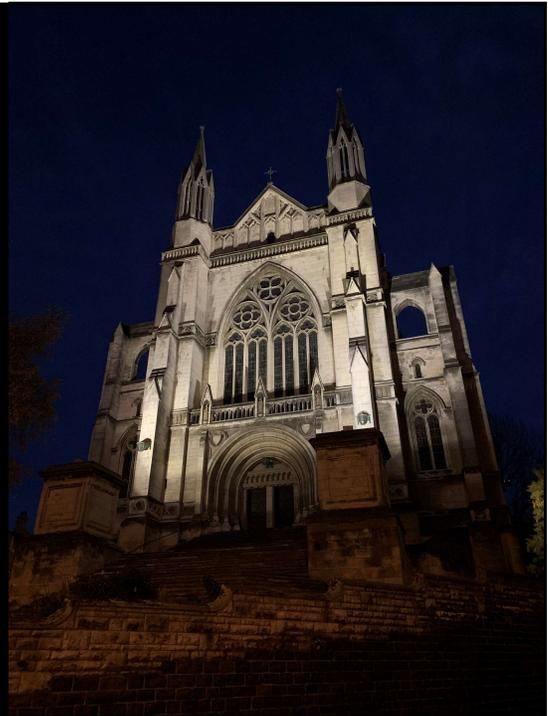


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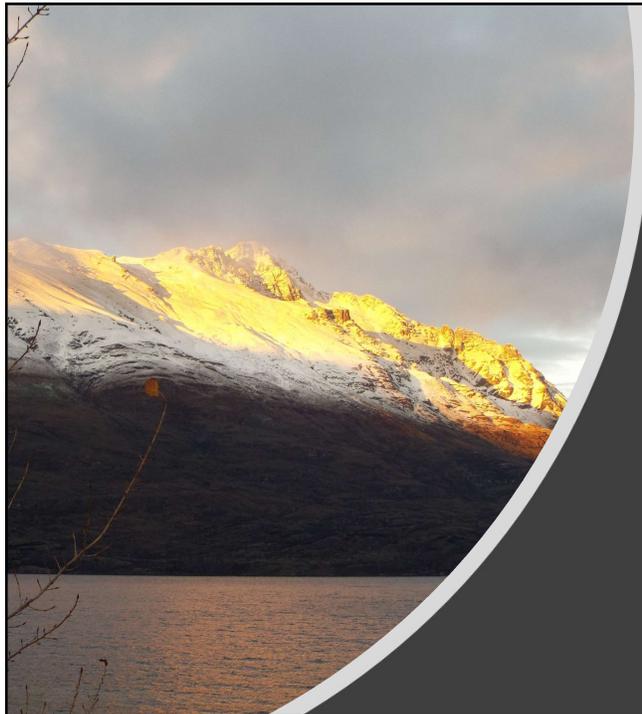
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*this is my prayer, that your love may
overflow more and more with knowledge
and full insight*

(Phil. 1.9)



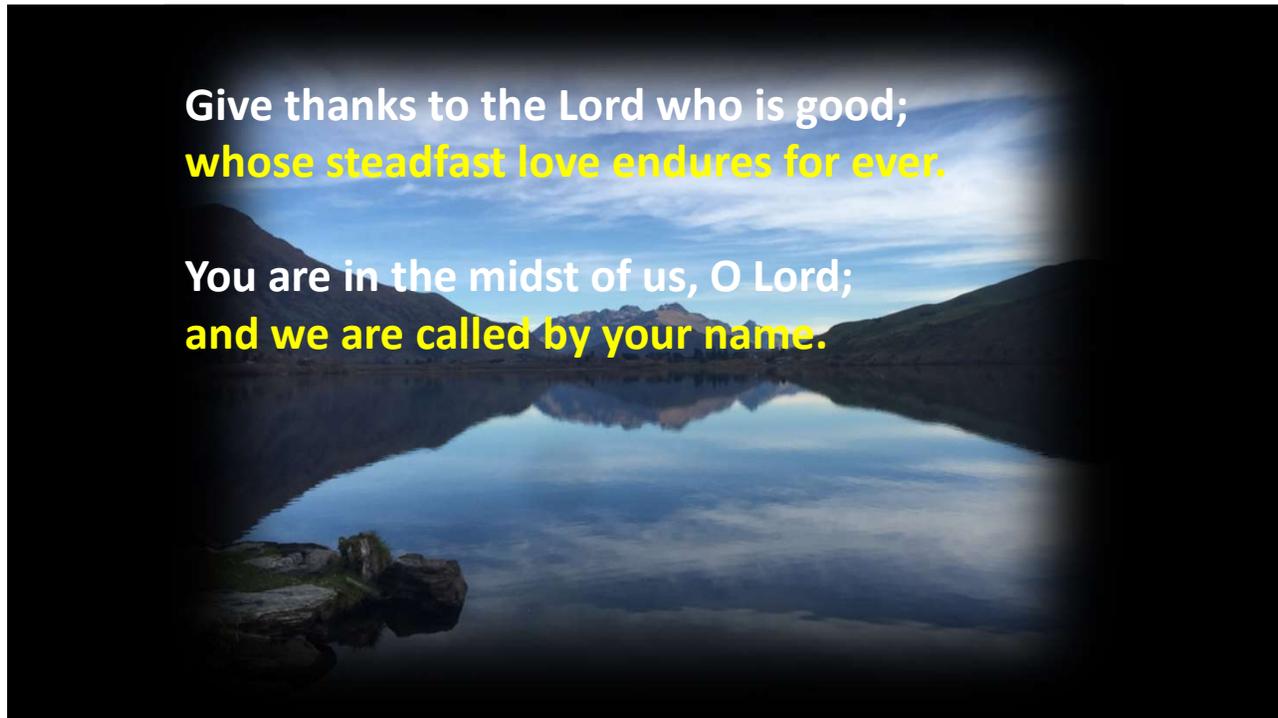
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Saturday Evening Office

in shortened form

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Hymn: Look in Wonder (Shirley Murray). Tune: Blaenwern

Look in wonder, hold in honour
 all the beauty of the earth!
 World, surrender to her splendour:
 God's own blessing for her birth;
 sense and savour every colour,
 every season, sun to star,
 see the measure of this treasure,
 all we nurture, all we mar.



4



Every creature by its nature
 shares the cycle, life's design,
 every human, man and woman
 joins the circle, moves the line;
 look in horror, look in anger -
 these are life-streams we destroy!
 Tree and river gone forever,
 bird and flower dead to joy.

5

In this garden, Eve and Adam
 still are given time and place,
 ours to cherish, ours to nourish,
 ocean, water, land and space;
 God, unnerve us, God, forgive us:
 how we plunder, waste and war!
 Give new meaning to earth's greening,
 that the beauty thrives once more.



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Please sit

The Song of the Blessed Virgin Mary

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord

my spirit rejoices in God my saviour.

For you Lord have looked with favour

on your lowly servant:

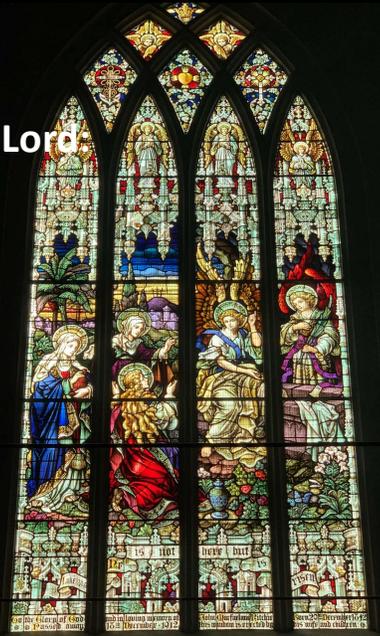
and from this day all generations

will call me Blessed.

You O Most Mighty

have done great things for me:

and holy is your name.



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You have mercy on those who fear you:
from generation to generation.

You have shown the strength of your arm:
you have scattered the proud in their conceit.

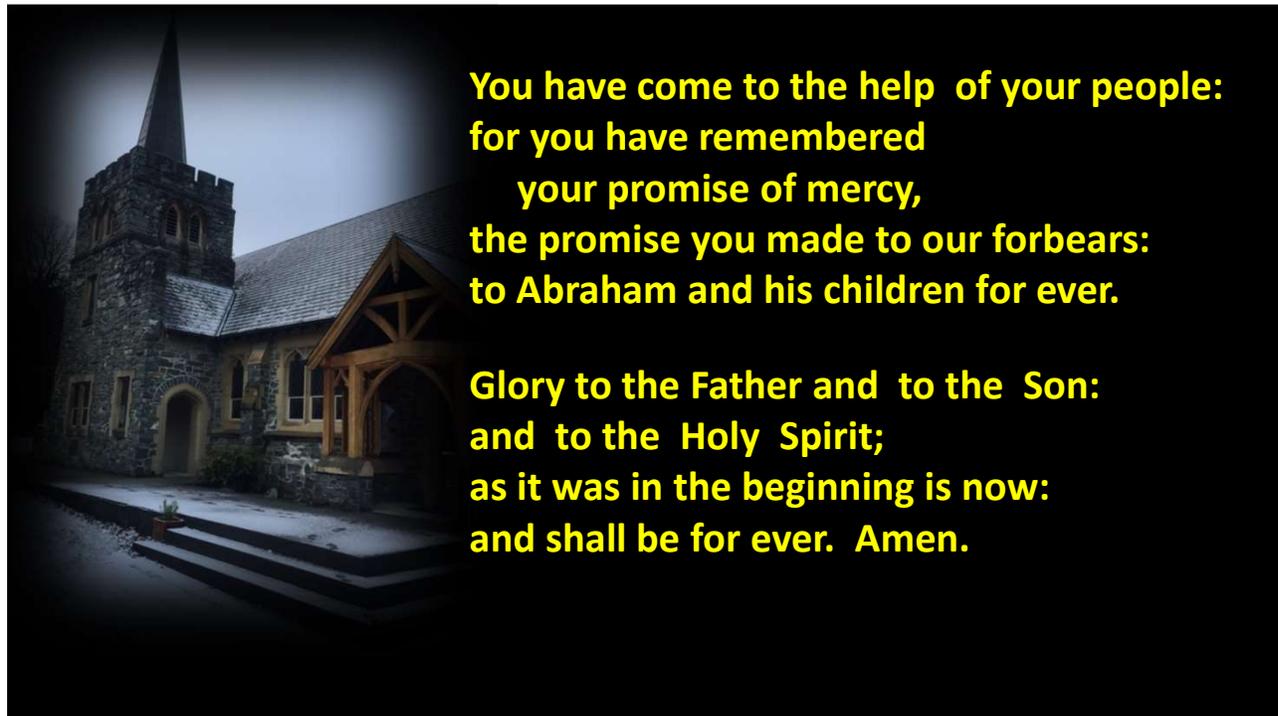


You have cast down the mighty from their thrones:
and have lifted up the lowly.

You have filled the hungry with good things:
and the rich you have sent away empty.



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1 Corinthians 1.18-25

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

‘I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.’

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe.

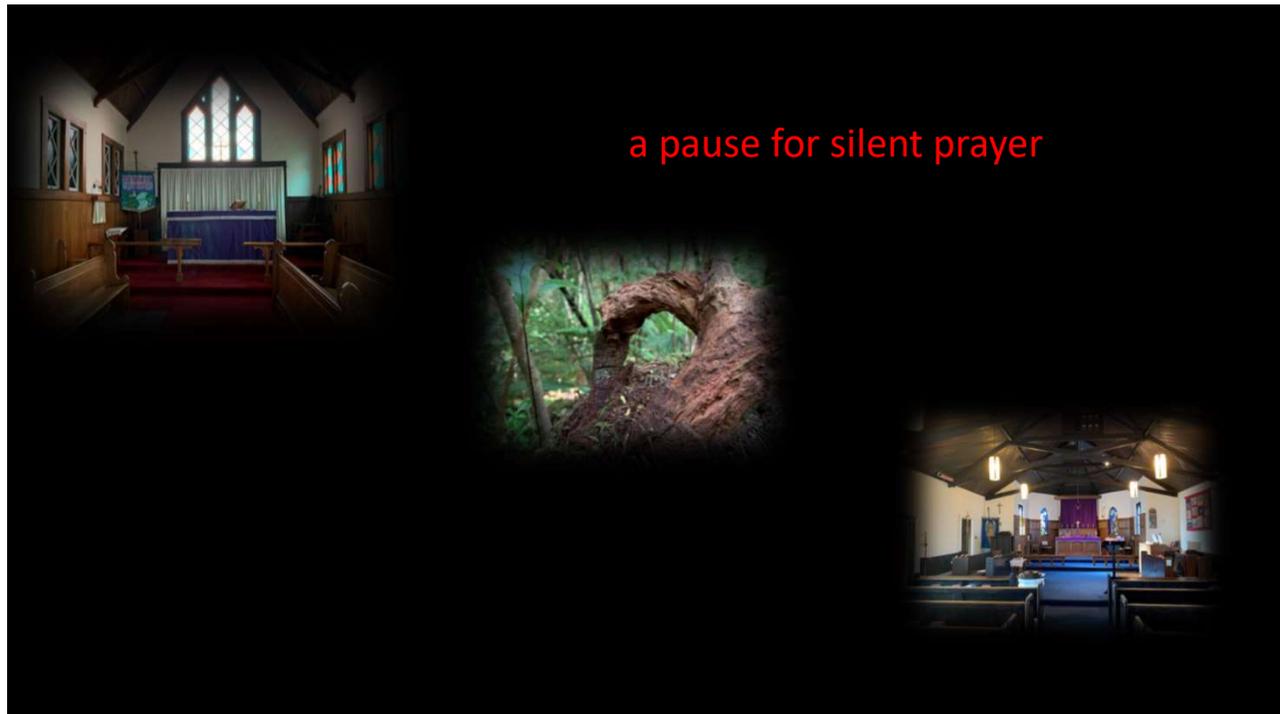
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For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling-block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.



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a pause for silent prayer

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**Christ our Passover lamb has been sacrificed:
 therefore let us keep the feast,
 not with the old leaven,
 the leaven of corruption and wickedness:
 but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.**

**Christ being raised from the dead
 will never die again:
 death no longer has dominion over him.**

**The death he died,
 he died to sin once for all:
 but the life he lives, he lives to God.**

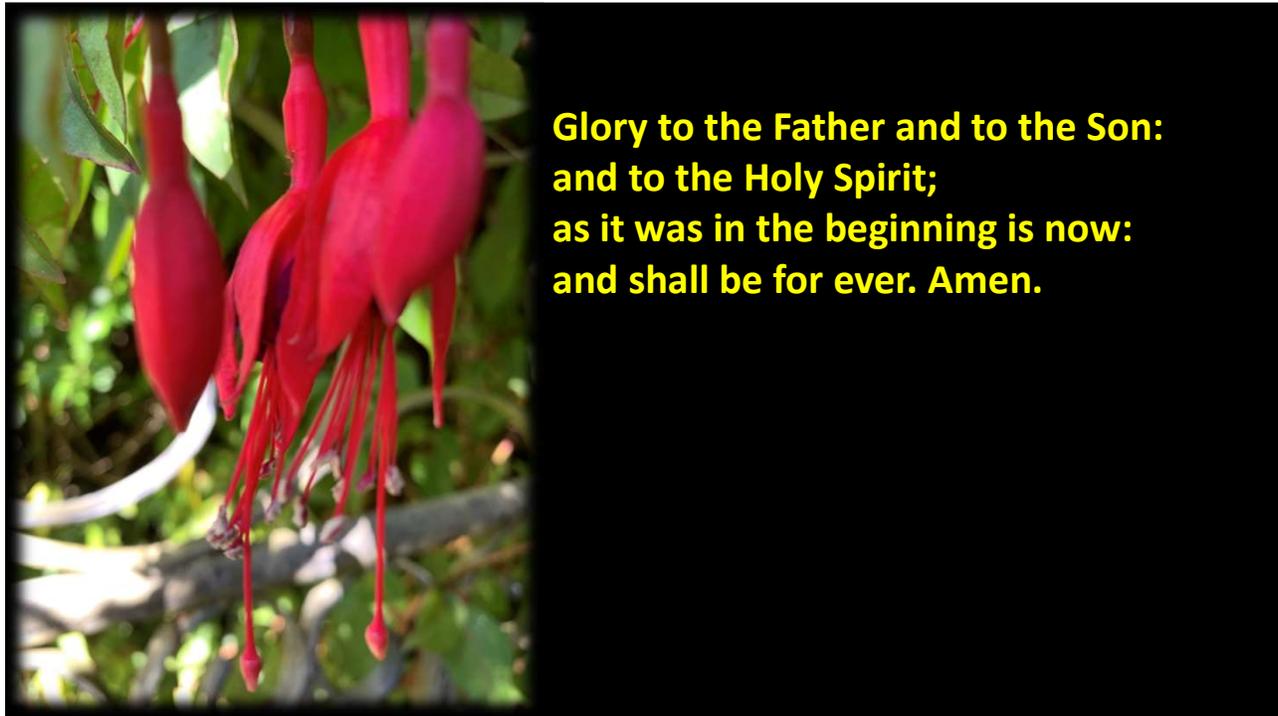


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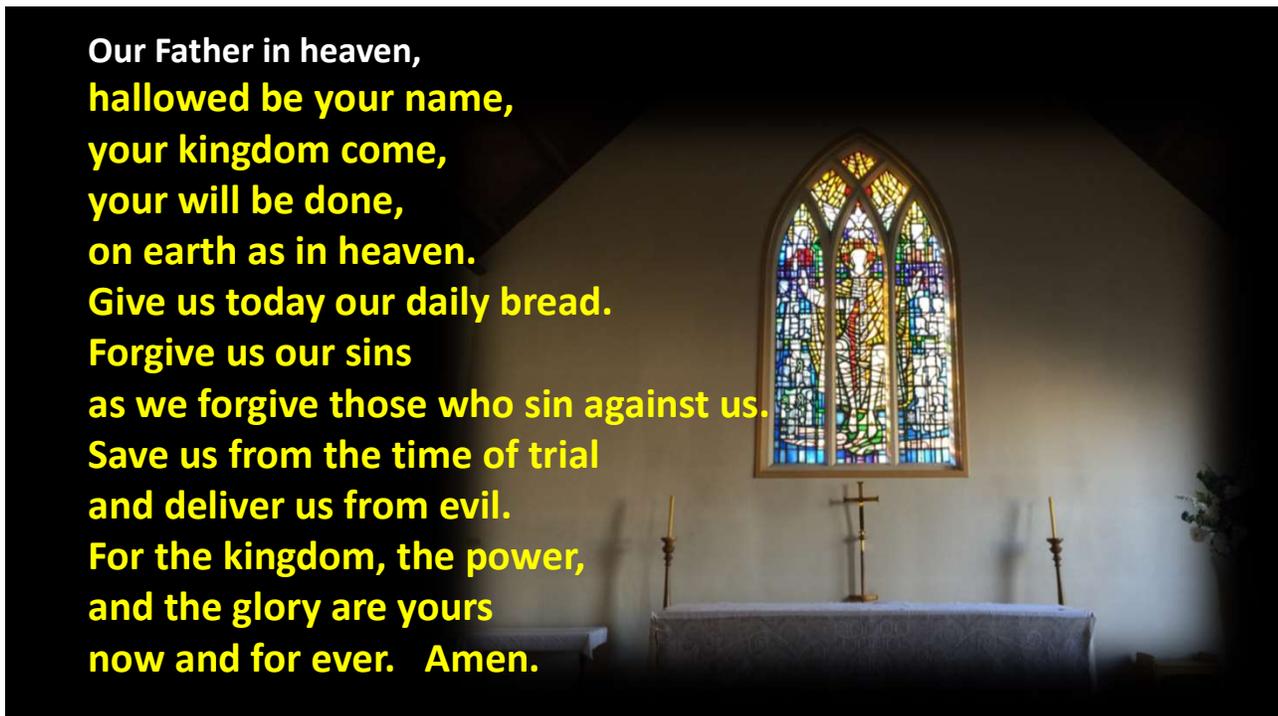
**So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin:
 and alive to God in Jesus Christ.
 Christ has been raised from the dead:
 the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
 For as by a man came death:
 by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.
 For as in Adam all die:
 so also in Christ shall all be made alive.**



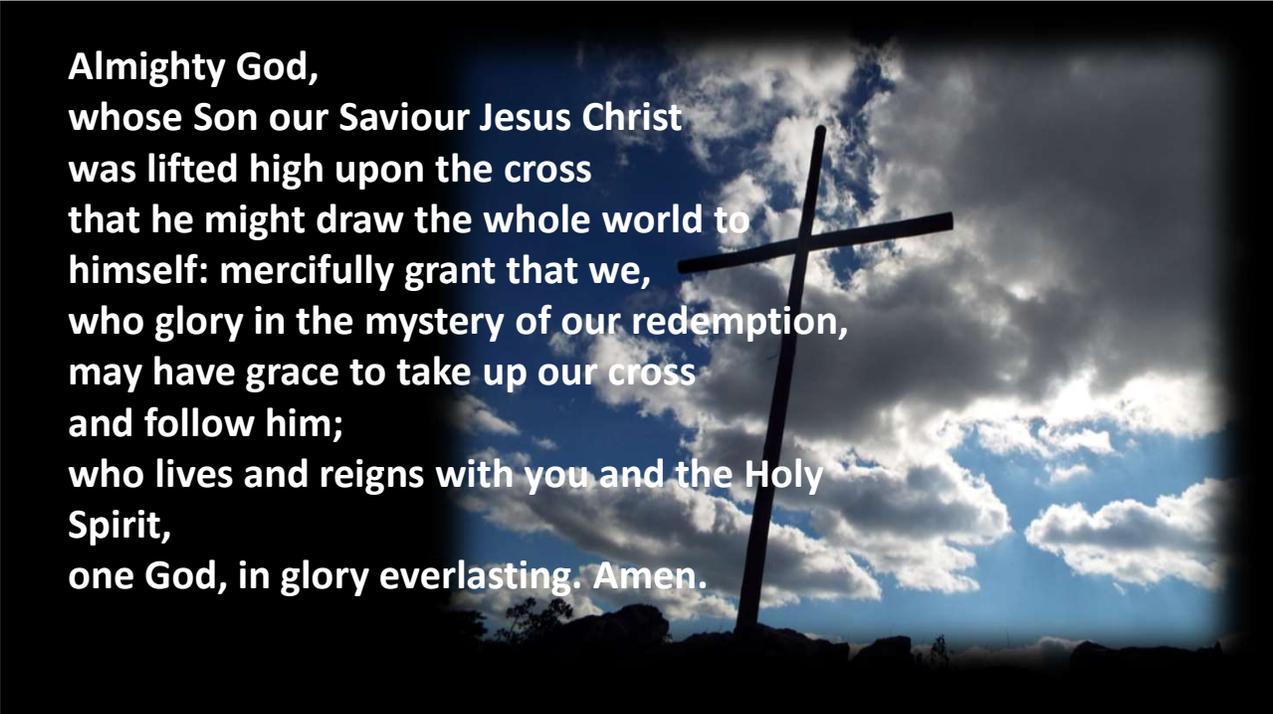
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Almighty God,
 whose Son our Saviour Jesus Christ
 was lifted high upon the cross
 that he might draw the whole world to
 himself: mercifully grant that we,
 who glory in the mystery of our redemption,
 may have grace to take up our cross
 and follow him;
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy
 Spirit,
 one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

17



Abide with us, O Lord,
 for it is toward evening
 and the day is almost over;
 abide with us
 for the days are hastening on
 and we hasten with them;
 abide with us
 and with all your faithful people,
 until the daystar rises
 and the morning light appears,
 and we shall abide with you for ever.
Amen.

18

**Through all the changing scenes of life,
in trouble and in joy,
the praises of my God shall still
my heart and tongue employ.**



**Oh, magnify the Lord with me,
with me exalt his name;
when in distress to him I called,
he to my rescue came.**

19



**The hosts of God encamp around
the dwellings of the just;
deliverance he affords to all
who on his succour trust.**

**Oh, make but trial of his love,
experience will decide
how blest they are, and only they,
who in his truth confide.**

20

**Fear him, ye saints, and you will then
have nothing else to fear;
make you his service your delight,
your wants shall be his care.**

Nahum Tate (1652-1715)
Nicholas Brady (1659-1726)



21

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

May the God of peace,
who brought again from the dead
our Lord Jesus,
equip us with everything good
that we may do God's will,
to whom be glory for ever.

Amen.



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