



SERVICE ORDER SUNDAY 10TH MAY

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

OPENING RESPONSES – Psalm 31

I come to you, LORD,
for protection.

Don't let me be ashamed.

***Do as you have promised
and rescue me.***

**2 Listen to my prayer
and hurry to save me.**

*Be my mighty rock
and the fortress
where I am safe.*

³ You, LORD God,
are my mighty rock
and my fortress.

***Lead me and guide me,
so that your name
will be honoured.***

**⁴ Protect me from hidden traps
and keep me safe.**

**5 You are faithful,
and I trust you
because you rescued me.**

Glory to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning is now and will be forevermore. Amen.

CONFESSiON AND ABSOLUTiON

Heavenly Father, we come to you today as people who have sinned by the things we have thought, said, and done. Although we say we love you, we have not always shown this love to you in our obedience to your Word and your ways. We know we need the peace in our lives which can only come from you.

Lord God, for our rebellion against you, for putting ourselves before you and before others, for not always loving you and trusting you, we are sorry. Forgive us for at times being selfish and self-centred. Help us to not just say we love you, but to show that out in our obedience. In the name of Jesus, who died and rose again for us, we pray for your forgiveness.

Amen.

As our loving Father, God promises that whenever we come to Him, we receive His forgiveness. Through His love, by the obedient life and sacrifice of Jesus, He assures us of forgiveness and a restored relationship with Him which brings us a peace which is beyond all understanding. Hear these Words of forgiveness, know and live in God's love and peace.

Amen.

PRAYER

Father in heaven, we thank you that we can still come together to worship at this time. Be with us, remind us of the presence of your Church, and by your Holy Spirit fill us with your love and remind us of your peace.

Amen.

BIBLE READINGS – use from the separate file sent out.

After each reading

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

CONFESSTION OF FAITH

*I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.*

*And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.*

*The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty,
from thence He will come to judge the living and the
dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

ADDRESS – read and/or watch Pastor Andrew's introduction to this week's address. Then go through the rest of the address and reflect on or discuss the questions there.

SONG – if you wish to, use one of the songs suggested in the email/on the website, or find or use your own choices.

OFFERING PRAYER

*Thank you, kind and loving God,
for choosing us to be your own holy people.
Make us more and more like Jesus,
giving of ourselves to serve you and others.
Use our gifts to build up your kingdom.
Amen.*

PRAYERS

If you wish to do so, you may use the separate 'Mothers' Day Prayer and Blessing' at this point. If you have mothers and their children in your household, consider the children placing their hands upon their mother, and either saying the blessing together or one of them saying it.

If your mothers/grandmothers aren't with you, perhaps you can pray for and bless them via a video call?

You may wish to use the prayers which have been sent out, or to come up with your own.

After each prayer, you may wish to use the response:

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

LORD'S PRAYER

***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 forever. Amen.***

BLESSING

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make His face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favour and give us His peace.

Amen.

