

WORSHIP SERVICE – SUNDAY 28th JUNE

FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

INVOCATION

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

OPENING RESPONSES – Psalm 13

How much longer, LORD,
will you forget about me?

Will it be forever?

How long will you hide?

How long must I be confused
and miserable all day?

***How long will my enemies
keep beating me down?***

Please listen, LORD God,
and answer my prayers.

I trust your love,
***and I feel like celebrating
because you rescued me.***

You have been good to me, LORD,
and I will sing about you.

***Glory to the Father, the Son, and 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 to confess our sins, and to ask for your help and strength to love and follow you, and to show your love to others.

Dear Lord, we confess that we have not always followed your way in everything we do. Too often we follow our own desires, or allow our feelings to control us. We overlook the needs of others, and seek to find ways to justify what we do, even when we know it is wrong. For Jesus' sake, please forgive us, and guide us and lead us into a life lived for you. Amen.

God promises us that whenever we turn to Him and confess our sins, He forgives us. Because Jesus died and rose again for us, we know that we live in God's forgiveness each day. We go out now as God's forgiven and loved children, seeking to follow and serve Him in everything we do. Amen.

PRAYER

In all we do, Lord God, open our hearts and our minds to you. Lead us to live our whole lives in worship to you and in witnessing to your love. Amen.

BIBLE READINGS – *use from the separate file sent out or watch the videos on the YouTube channel:*

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCapjLQ6aHLX5ppyVj5LmKIw>

After each reading

This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

CONFESSION OF FAITH – Apostles’ Creed

Or, use the song, ‘I Believe’ https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VRzI_FbWTkg

***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. This can be watched on the YouTube channel:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCapjLQ6aHLX5ppyVj5LmKIw>

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 and use your own choices.

OFFERING PRAYER

All that we are, and all that we have, comes from you and belongs to you, Lord God. Help us to live our lives as a living sacrifice to you. Amen.

PRAYERS

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.*

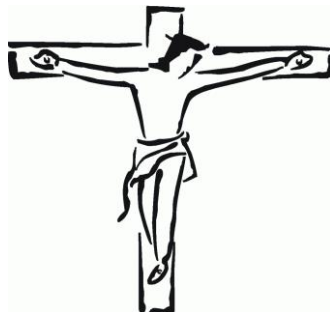
LORD'S PRAYER

***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.



¹⁶ Don't you know that you are slaves of anyone you obey? You can be slaves of sin and die, or you can be obedient slaves of God and be acceptable to him. ¹⁷ You used to be slaves of sin. But I thank God that with all your heart you obeyed the teaching you received from me. ¹⁸ Now you are set free from sin and are slaves who please God.
Romans 6:16-18 CEV