

PRAYER IN THE HOME

TRINITY SUNDAY: SUNDAY 30 MAY

GATHERING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us light a candle to remember that God is with us.

Jesus, speak to us:

That we may hear your voice.

Holy Spirit, come to us:

That we may know your love.

Father, receive our prayers:

That we may deepen our trust in you.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God,
to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known,
and from whom no secrets are hidden:
cleansing the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord.
Amen.

COLLECT for Trinity Sunday

Holy God,
faithful and unchanging:
enlarge our minds with the knowledge of your truth,
and draw us more deeply into the mystery of your love,
that we may truly worship you,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

PSALM 29

- 1 Ascribe to the Lord, you powers of heaven,
ascribe to the Lord glory and strength.
- 2 **Ascribe to the Lord the honour due to his name;
worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness.**
- 3 The voice of the Lord is upon the waters;
the God of glory thunders;
the Lord is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 **The voice of the Lord is mighty in operation;
the voice of the Lord is a glorious voice.**
- 5 The voice of the Lord breaks the cedar trees;
the Lord breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 **He makes Lebanon skip like a calf
and Sirion like a young wild ox.**
- 7 The voice of the Lord splits the flash of lightning;
the voice of the Lord shakes the wilderness;
the Lord shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 **The voice of the Lord makes the oak trees writhe
and strips the forests bare;
in his temple all cry, 'Glory!'**
- 9 The Lord sits enthroned above the water flood;
the Lord sits enthroned as king for evermore.
- 10 **The Lord shall give strength to his people;
the Lord shall give his people the blessing of peace.**

BIBLE READING Acts 2:29-41

29 'Fellow Israelites, I may say to you confidently of our ancestor David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. 30 Since he was a prophet, he knew that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would put one of his descendants on his throne. 31 Foreseeing this, David spoke of the resurrection of the Messiah, saying, "He was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh experience corruption."

32 This Jesus God raised up, and of that all of us are witnesses. 33 Being therefore exalted at the right hand of God, and having received from the Father the promise of the Holy Spirit, he has poured out this that you both see and hear. 34 For David did not ascend into the heavens, but he himself says, "The Lord said to my Lord, 'Sit at my right hand, 35 until I make your enemies your footstool.'"

36 Therefore let the entire house of Israel know with certainty that God has made him both Lord and Messiah, this Jesus whom you crucified.'

37 Now when they heard this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and to the other apostles, 'Brothers, what should we do?' 38 Peter said to them, 'Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. 39 For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him.' 40 And he testified with many other arguments and exhorted them, saying, 'Save yourselves from this corrupt generation.' 41 So those who welcomed his message were baptized, and that day about three thousand persons were added.

INTERCESSIONS & CLOSING PRAYER

Loving Father, we pray for the world you created:
for peace between nations, wisdom for governments in difficult times
and for justice and equality for all people.
Extend to them your pardoning love, mercy and grace.
God the Holy Trinity: **make us strong in faith and love.**

Jesus, our Redeemer, we pray for your Church:

for unity of purpose, for all those who minister to others
and for those who are struggling to keep the faith.
May our lives bear witness to your glory in the world.
God the Holy Trinity: **make us strong in faith and love.**

Eternal Spirit, we pray for families and individuals, created in your
image, remembering especially all who are suffering:
the lonely, the bereaved, the sick and the dying.
Breathe on them the breath of life.
God the Holy Trinity: **make us strong in faith and love.**

Gracious God, we pray for our local community:
for those who live and work here;
for the homeless and those in financial distress.
We remember the work of the foodbank, Glass Door
and other agencies who seek to help those in need.
Speak your word of peace in our midst,
and help us to serve one another as Christ has served us.
God the Holy Trinity: **make us strong in faith and love.**

We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,
to the mercy and protection of God.
**Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

Trusting in the compassion of God,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:
**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 for ever. Amen.**

God the Holy Trinity make you strong in faith and love,
defend you on every side, and guide you in truth and peace.