PRAYER IN THE HOME

TRINITY 13: SUNDAY 6 SEPTEMBER 2020

GATHERING

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

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

God in Christ has revealed his glory.

Come let us worship.

From the rising of the sun to its setting the Lord's name is greatly to be praised.

Give him praise, you servants of the Lord.

O praise the name of the Lord!

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden: cleanse 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 the Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

PSALM 149

- ¹ Praise the Lord!
 Sing to the Lord a new song,
 his praise in the assembly of the faithful.
- ² Let Israel be glad in its Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.
- ³ Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.
- ⁴ For the Lord takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory.
- ⁵ Let the faithful exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their couches.
- ⁶ Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged swords in their hands,
- ⁷to execute vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,
- 8 to bind their kings with fetters and their nobles with chains of iron,
- ⁹ to execute on them the judgement decreed. This is glory for all his faithful ones. Praise the Lord!

BIBLE READING Leviticus 25: 8-12

8 You shall count off seven weeks of years, seven times seven years, so that the period of seven weeks of years gives forty-nine years. 9 Then you shall have the trumpet sounded loud; on the tenth day of the seventh month - on the day of atonement - you shall have the trumpet sounded throughout all your land. 10 And you shall hallow the fiftieth year and you shall proclaim liberty throughout the land to all its inhabitants. It shall be a jubilee for you: you shall return, every one of you, to your property and every one of you to your family. 11 That fiftieth year shall be a jubilee for you: you shall not sow, or reap the aftergrowth, or harvest the unpruned vines. 12 For it is a jubilee; it shall be holy to you: you shall eat only what the field itself produces.

SERMON Susan Wright: https://stbcc.co.uk/sermons

- 1. If you were declaring a jubilee, what would you want to put right, to bring things back into balance, in your life or community or in the wider world?
- 2. We can't manage a whole jubilee on our own! But can you think of a practice that you could commit to this Creationtide that would help you to orientate your heart and mind to God's plan for how we live together in the world he created and loves?

INTERCESSIONS FOR CREATIONTIDE & CLOSING PRAYER

Lord, we give thanks for all that is good in your creation. We are conscious of so much that we get wrong, so we thank you too for your grace and patience with us when we fail to look after your world as we should. Help us to change so that we too become a new creation walking in the light of your Gospel. Lord of creation: hear our prayer.

We thank you for the hard work of all those who grow, protect and prepare our food; for the shopkeepers, the transport delivery drivers, the processors and the farmers: please bless them in their work.

Lord of creation: hear our prayer.

We pray for the homeless, and those who depend on the charity of others. We pray for the work of the local foodbanks, providing food for those in need. Lord of creation: hear our prayer.

Help us to recognize the interdependence of all of life and the importance of just relations and community; help us become good stewards of all you give us, Lord of creation: **hear our prayer**. We pray for those who are ill, the bereaved and those who are lonely. We ask your blessing on them and on those whom we love. Lord of creation: hear our prayer.

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.

Creator God,
you give seed for us to sow,
and bread for us to eat;
make us thankful for what we have received
and generous in supplying the needs of others
so all the world may give you thanks and glory,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen