

Gathering

The world belongs to God
the earth and all its people

Love and faith come together
justice and peace join hands

If Christ's disciples keep silent
these stones would shout aloud

Our place in the world

Creating God, Maker of all: **be with us this day**

Jesus Christ, Servant of the poor: **be with us this day**

Holy Spirit, Breath of life: **be with us this day**

Silence

Move among us, O God, give us life
let your people rejoice in you

Make our hearts clean within us:
renew us in mind and in spirit

Give us again the joy of your help
with your spirit of freedom sustain us.

Word: Micah 6:8, or other verse

We have been shown what is good and what is needed:
To do justice, to love kindness, and to walk humbly in God.

Silence

For the word of God in Jesus for God's wisdom all around us for
God's word and wisdom in us
thanks be to God.

Affirmation

With the whole church
**we affirm that we are made in God's image,
befriended by Christ, empowered by the Spirit.**

With people everywhere
**we affirm God's goodness at the heart of humanity, planted
more deeply than all that is wrong.**

With all creation
**we celebrate the miracle and wonder of life,
the unfolding purposes of God,
forever at work in ourselves and the world.**

Prayers of thanksgiving and Concern

The Lord's Prayer

Closing Responses

In work and worship: **God is with us**

Gathered and scattered: **God is with us**

Now and always: **God is with us**

May the strength of God, the Source of all being,
the wisdom of God, the Eternal Word,
and the joy of God, the divine Spirit
abide with us this day. **Amen**

We go in peace: **Thanks be to God.**

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We will light a light in the name of the maker,
All **who lit the world and breathed the breath of life in us**

We will light a light, in the name of the Son
All **who saved the world and stretched out his hands to us**

We will light a light in the name of the Spirit,
All **who encompasses the world
and blessed our souls with yearning.**

We light these lights for the Trinity of Love:
All **God above us, God beside us, God beneath us;
The beginning, The End, The Everlasting One.**

For Ourselves

In Christ, the widowed find a carer,
the orphaned find a home, the fearful find a friend.

In Christ, the wounded find a healer, the penitent find a pardoner,
the burdened find a counsellor.

In Christ the miserly find a beggar, the despondent find a laughter-maker,
the legalists find a rule-breaker.

In Christ, we meet our Maker, and our match.
And if some need to say, 'Help me'
and if some need to say, 'Save me'
and if some need to say, 'Hold me'
and if some need to say, 'Forgive me'
then let these be said now in confidence by us.

(Silence)

O Christ, in whose heart is both welcome and warning, say to us, do in us,
reveal for us the things that will make us whole. And we will wait; and we
will praise you. **Amen.**

Praise

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised:
there is no end to God's greatness.
All **One generation shall praise your works
to another, and shall declare your power.**

All creation praises you, Lord, and your faithful servants bless you.

All **They declare the glory of your kingdom
and tell of your mighty power.**

My mouth shall proclaim the praise of the Lord.

All **Let every living thing bless God's holy name
for ever and ever.**

Collect

Eternal Light shine in our heart, Eternal Goodness deliver us from evil,
Eternal Power be our support, Eternal Wisdom scatter the darkness of our
ignorance, Eternal Pity have mercy on us, that with all our heart and mind
and soul and strength we may seek your face
and be brought by your infinite mercy to your presence. **Amen**

Word

Prayers of Solidarity and Concern ending with the Lord's Prayer

Closing

For all that God can do within us,
for all that God can do without us,

All **Thanks be to God.**

For all in whom Christ lived before us,
for all in whom Christ lives beside us,

All **Thanks be to God.**

For all the Spirit wants to bring us,
for where the Spirit wants to send us,

All **Thanks be to God.**

Now may the Spirit of God, who brooded over the waters and brought
order out of chaos, find a home in our hearts and settle our minds as we
rest that tomorrow we may wake and live to God's glory.

All **Amen.**