



GARROWBY BENEFICE

Trinity 9
God's Healing Love

INTRODUCTION

Call to worship

Jesus said,
Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened.
And I will give you rest.
Take my yoke upon you and learn from me,
For I am gentle and humble in heart,
And you will find rest for your souls.
Jesus still calls the heavy hearted and offers them comfort.
We gather in response to his invitation.
We seek to find comfort in Him and with each other.

Hymn: Lord of all hopefulness

Opening Prayers

Ever living and ever loving God.
As we bow in your presence.
We reflect on the words of the Psalmist....
Where can we go from your Spirit?

All Where can we flee from your presence?

If we go up to the heavens, you are there:

All If we rise on the wings of the dawn,

If we settle on the far side of the sea,

All Even there your hand will guide us.

Your right hand will hold us fast.

All If we say “surely the darkness will hide us, and the light, become night around us”

Even the darkness will not be dark to you;

AllT he night will shine like the day,

For darkness is as light to you.

Silence

We bow before you needing your healing touch;
We are confused by many feelings:
Anger, hatred, hurt and resentment,
and in the darkness, this is sometimes directed at you Lord.
Where were you? Where are you?
In his agony, Jesus cried,
“My God my God, why have you forsaken me?”

That can be our cry.
As you were there in his pain, so we seek you in our pain.
Like Jesus, we would place ourselves, and those we love in your hands.
Grant us a sense of that love which is always there,
Even when we are unable to feel it.
Grant us that peace which the world is unable to give

Silence

All Lord we believe; help our unbelief. Amen

Hymn: Christ is our light

Reading and Reflective Meditation

Prayers for the healing of relationships

Lord Jesus, reconciling us to each other and to God, pour out your Spirit among us that there may be healing and peace among us
We remember neighbours past and present, good neighbours and bad neighbours. We remember friends, good friends and those who let us down. We remember those with whom we worked, those who were good to be with, and those who were a problem to us.
We give thanks for every good relationship and seek your mercy for relationships which went wrong, whoever was at fault. May your mercy cover any harm or hurt which these, whom we have remembered, did to us or we to them.

Silence

After each prayer we sing the Taize chant:

“Bless the Lord my soul, and bless God’s holy name Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life”

We remember those whose work was meant to help us, Doctors, Teachers, Police Officers, Clergy, Nurses, and all the people in shops, offices and other places of work.

We give thanks for all the skill and care that has helped us. May your mercy cover any harm or hurt they did to us or we to them

Silence

“Bless the Lord my soul, and bless God’s holy name Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life”

We remember those who needed us to help hem, who needed our skill, our care and our prayers.

We give thanks for any way in which we were able to mirror your love to them. We ask for your mercy to cover any harm we did or any good we failed to do in their time of need

Silence

“Bless the Lord my soul, and bless God’s holy name Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life”

We remember those whose suffering cries out for healing; those who cry for justice, and those whose lives are a struggle. We give thanks for any way we can respond to their need. Have mercy on our weakness and on our slowness to respond to your Spirit

Silence

“Bless the Lord my soul, and bless God’s holy name Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life”

Now with this work of reconciliation begun we pray as one family

**All Our Father, which art in heaven,
Hallowed be thy Name.
Thy Kingdom come.
Thy will be done in earth,
As it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
As we forgive them that trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
The power, and the glory,
For ever and ever.
Amen.**

Letting Go and Moving On

All let go of the hurt of the past and look to the hope of the future.

Help me Christ my brother, taking each day in your company and travelling each step in your love

Blessing

Hymn: Deep peace of the running wave to you