

# A Reflective Service for worship in isolation

## Preparation

We come from scattered lives to meet with God.  
Let us recognise God's presence with us now.

*A short silence is kept, while we still our hearts.*

As God's people we have gathered;  
let us worship God now together,  
across the miles, yet united in spirit.

Come, Holy Spirit,  
fill the hearts of your faithful people,  
and kindle in us the fire of your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



## Confession and Absolution

In the light of Jesus,  
let us examine ourselves and confess our sins.

*We keep a short silence in which to call to mind our sins.*

Father, we have sinned against heaven and against you.  
We are not worthy to be called your children.  
We turn to you again, have mercy on us,  
bring us back to yourself as those who once were dead  
but now have life through Christ our Lord. Amen.

May the Father forgive us by the death of the Son,  
and strengthen us to live in the power of the Spirit all our days.  
Amen.

**Bible Reading** ( *See the weekly sheet with daily readings.*)

## Affirmation of Faith

*We affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.*

Though he was divine, he did not cling to equality with God, but made himself nothing. Taking the form of a slave, he was born in human likeness. He humbled himself and was obedient to death, even the death of the cross.

Therefore God has raised him on high, and given him the name above every name: that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. Amen. (cf *Philippians 2.6-11*)

## Intercession

Lord, meet us in the silence and hear our prayer.

*We pray in silence for ourselves, that God would sit with us,  
and for others, throughout the country and around the world.*

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;  
thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those who 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.

## Conclusion

Faithful God,  
may we who have shared in this time of worship,  
glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
our salvation and our hope, who reigns as Lord, now and forever.  
Fill us, good Lord, with your Spirit of love;  
and as you have fed us with your presence,  
so make us one in heart and mind,  
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.