

# **Crosscrake Church**

## **Prayer and Worship at Home**

### **For Sundays**

You can use this when you would like to or to join in with the worship recorded at Crosscrake Church and available on the <https://www.crosscrake.church> website from Sunday morning each week.

You may like to find somewhere comfortable to sit, perhaps with your own bible to look up the readings and maybe light a candle or look at a beautiful view to help you focus on God.

## **Greeting**

Grace mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.  
**And also with you**

## **Opening Prayer**

God of our days and years,  
we set this time apart for you.  
Form us in the likeness of Christ  
so that our lives may glorify you.  
**Amen.**

## **Confession**

God shows his love for us in that, while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.  
Let us then show our love for him by confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly,  
love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God.  
Amen.**

May the God of love and power  
forgive *us* and free *us* from *our* sins,  
heal and strengthen *us* by his Spirit,  
and raise *us* to new life in Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **The Word of God.**

**A reading from the Old Testament or Letter/Epistle from the New Testament**

### **After the reading**

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

### **A reading from the Psalms**

### **A reading from the Gospels**

#### **After the reading**

This is the word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God.**

## **Time for Reflection on the readings.**

*You may like to listen to the reflection on the recording, or use the sheet available from church, or simply spend some time in the quietness allowing God to speak to you from the readings by reading some or all of them again slowly,*

- *pausing when something strikes you,*
- *giving thanks to God for a truth or insight,*
- *reflecting on what the reading teaches us about God, and*
- *asking God's Holy Spirit to help you apply anything you have heard from his Word to you today.*

## **The Creed**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is,  
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;  
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the  
Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;  
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into  
heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will  
have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken  
through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

### **Prayers for one another and ourselves.**

Let us pray to God,  
who alone makes us dwell in safety:  
For all who are affected by coronavirus,  
through illness or isolation or anxiety,  
that they may find relief and recovery:  
Lord, hear us,  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For those who are guiding our nation at this time,  
and shaping national policies,  
that they may make wise decisions:  
Lord, hear us,  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For doctors, nurses and medical researchers,  
that through their skill and insights  
many will be restored to health:  
Lord, hear us,  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

For the vulnerable and the fearful,  
for the gravely ill and the dying,  
that they may know your comfort and peace:  
Lord, hear us,  
**Lord, graciously hear us.**

We commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God.

*Time for silent prayer*

Merciful Father,  
**accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen.**

### **The Collect for the Day**

*(read on the recording or you can use the collect prayer here)*

Keep us, good Lord,  
under the shadow of your mercy  
in this time of uncertainty and distress.

Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may rejoice in your comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate us from your love  
in Christ Jesus our Lord.

**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer**

As our Saviour has 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.**

## **Closing Prayers**

Eternal God, our beginning and our end,  
accompany us in this day's journey.

Dawn on our darkness,  
open our eyes to praise you for your creation  
and to see the work you set before us today.

Take us and use us to bring to others the new life  
you give in Jesus Christ

our Lord. **Amen**

May the peace of God which passes all understanding keep our hearts and minds in the  
knowledge and love of Christ Jesus our Lord. And may the blessing of God, Father, Son  
and Holy Spirit be with us, and all those whom we love, now and forevermore. **Amen**

**We go into the world  
to walk in God's light,  
to rejoice in God's love  
and to reflect God's glory. Amen**