

Good Friday, April 10, 2020

Prayer (All prayers used by permission of Augsburg Fortress)

Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, on God, forever and ever. Amen.

Reading from John's Gospel

Read John 18:1-19:42

The Word of Lord.

Time for Silent Reflection

What is God saying to you in this passage?

What is God saying to the church in this passage?

Prayer

Let us pray for the church throughout the world.

[Pause for personal prayer]

Almighty and eternal God, you have shown your glory to all nations in Jesus Christ. By your Holy Spirit, guide the church and gather it throughout the world. Help it to persevere in faith, proclaim your name, and bring the Good News of salvation in Christ to all people. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray for those who do not believe in God.

[Pause for personal prayer]

Almighty and eternal God, you created humanity so that all may long to know you and find peace in you. Grant that all may recognize the signs of your love and grace in the world and in lives of Christians. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray for God's creation.

[Pause for personal prayer]

Almighty and eternal God, you are the creator of a magnificent universe. Hold all the worlds in the arms of your care, and bring all things to fulfillment in you. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray for those in need.

[Pause for personal prayer]

Almighty and eternal God, you give strength to the weary and new courage to those who have lost heart. Heal the sick, comfort the dying, give safety to travellers, free those unjustly deprived of liberty, and deliver your world from falsehood, hunger and disease. Hear the prayers of all who call on you in any trouble, that they may have the joy of receiving your help in their need. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Finally, let us pray for all those things for which our Lord would have us ask.

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, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

OR

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, and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are your, now and forever. Amen.

OR

To pray with the leaders of our local congregations, you may click here -
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5D7r99aSnzg>

Adoration of the crucified Christ

We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and we praise your holy resurrection,
or by your cross joy has come into the world.

May God be merciful to us and bless us;
may the light of God's face shine upon us.
Let your way be known upon earth,
your saving health among all nations.

We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and we praise your holy resurrection,
or by your cross joy has come into the world.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God give us blessing,
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe.

We glory in your cross, O Lord,
and we praise your holy resurrection,
or by your cross joy has come into the world.

Closing

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
By your holy cross you have redeemed the world.