

Sunday 10th May 2020

Please have ready your Bible and open it to John's Gospel 14:1-10

Light a candle or turn on a light to symbolise the light of Christ is with us. Spend a minute or two stilling your heart and mind and begin this service with great expectancy that God is here with you and has something to share with you.

Opening Prayer

Jesus said 'I am the way, the Truth and the Life and no one comes to the Father except through me'.

Jesus is the Good Shepherd and the gateway (door) for the sheep.

Jesus is the light that shines in the darkness and the darkness has never overcome it.

We come today gathering in the light of Christ and to seek The Way through the guide of the Holy Spirit that we may worship God our heavenly Father in Spirit and in Truth to His praise and glory. **Amen**

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
He is risen indeed! Alleluia!

Collect for the Day

Loving and eternal God, through the resurrection of your Son, help us to face the future with courage and assurance, knowing that nothing in life or death can ever separate us from your love for us in Jesus Christ our Saviour; who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

Amen

Hymn: (H&P 70) The Lord's my Shepherd

Let us pray together

Wondrous God

We are blessed that we can come into Your Holy Presence, despite the restrictions and difficulties in our lives nothing can restrict our coming to You.

We come to worship You and give You our praise. Although apart as a church we are united through Jesus and we celebrate the new life You have given us with all your people.

In a moment of silence we share with You the things we want to give praise and thanks for today.

Moment of silence

Time of confession:

Forgive us for our foolishness and our thoughtless use of the gifts of your creation,
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

For our neglect of you, and our failure to care for others,
Christ, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

For our selfishness in prayer and our carelessness in worship,
Lord, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

Moment of silence

Absolution:

The Scriptures tells us that God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. Therefore to all who

truly repent, this is his gracious word:
Your sins are forgiven. **Amen. Thanks
be to God.**

Hymn: (H&P 196) I know that my
redeemer lives

Gospel Reading: John 14: 1-14

Read: Rev. Ken's Sunday Sermon

**Hymn: (H&P 492) Give me joy in my
heart**

A time of prayer

God our Saviour,

We pray for those who feel hopeless
that they may hear Your Good News
and be freed from their chains and
bondage and be set free from their
fears, troubled hearts, restlessness
and anguish as they rest in You.

Silence

We pray for those who have placed
their hopes in the things of this world
only to have their expectation of hope
torn away, for those who feel
discarded and deceived may they find
the true place of hope.

Silence

We pray your Church will stand united
in Truth and not settle for mediocrity or
compromise for cultures sake, but
preach and proclaim the Gospel of
Jesus.

Silence

We pray for those who are beginning
to hope, those who dare to dream of a
better tomorrow., for those finding new
faith or faith renewed.....

Silence

We pray for all affected during this
Covid-19 pandemic. We pray for those
who are poor, sick, homeless, lonely,

imprisoned, weighed down and
powerless.

Silence

May your church once again embrace
the power of the Gospel and be bold in
sharing the Good News we have
through Jesus Christ and see lives
changed and communities
transformed, living without fear and in
wondrous hope, worshipping in Spirit
and Truth through Jesus Christ our
Lord.

Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father

**Hymn: (H&P 437) Guide me O thou
great Jehovah**

Offering: Father we give back to you,
what is already Yours and we ask that
you will increase these talents for your
glory, in Jesus name we pray.

A prayer of blessing (from the (MWB)

God the Father, by whose glory Christ
was raised from the dead, strengthen
us to walk with him in his risen life; and
may almighty God bless us, the
Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Amen

If you would like to share your
experiences, thoughts or would simply
like over the phone prayer please give
your minister Rev. Ken a call

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Thank you. God bless.

Rev. Ken