

# Morning Prayer, June 14<sup>th</sup>: The Sunday After Trinity

The Lord be with you  
**and also with you.**

Lord God, you are the same, yesterday, today and for ever. You have not changed over the years as we have done; you have not changed as the world around us changes. Thank you for keeping faithful to us, and as we come to worship you today may we may find welcome and shelter within your endless mercy. **Amen**

## Response

As Abraham welcomed the strangers  
**So God welcomes us.**

God greets us with joy  
**and says, "rest here awhile."**

God washes our dusty feet.  
**and nourishes our weary spirits.**

So let us receive the gracious hospitality of our God.

**Let us rest in this holy space**

As God has forgiven us again and again over the years so we come before Him once more to seek His forgiveness by saying together:

**Lord our God,  
in our sin we have avoided your call.  
Our love for you is like a morning cloud,  
like the dew that goes away early.  
Have mercy on us;  
deliver us from judgement;  
bind up our wounds and revive us;  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## Absolution

Blessed is the Lord,  
**for he has heard the voice of our prayer;**

therefore, shall our hearts dance for joy  
**and in our song will we praise our God.**

## Hymn: Lord For the Years

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Lord, for the years  
your love has kept and guided,  
urged and inspired us,  
cheered us on our way,  
sought us and saved us,  
pardoned and provided,  
Lord of the years,  
we bring our thanks today.

Lord, for our land, in this our generation,  
spirits oppressed by  
pleasure, wealth and care;  
for young and old,  
for commonwealth and nation,  
Lord of our land,  
be pleased to hear our prayer.

Lord, for our world;  
when we disown and doubt him,  
loveless in strength,  
and comfortless in pain;  
hungry and helpless,  
lost indeed without him,  
Lord of the world,  
we pray that Christ may reign.

Lord, for ourselves;  
in living power remake us,  
self on the cross  
and Christ upon the throne;  
past put behind us, for the future take us,  
Lord of our lives, to live for Christ alone.

## Opening prayer

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;  
let us pray with one heart and mind.

## *Silence is kept.*

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,  
so may the light of your presence, O God,  
set our hearts on fire with love for you;  
now and for ever.

**Amen.**

## The Word of God: *Genesis 18:1-15*

## *The reading ends*

This is the Word of the Lord  
**All Thanks be to God.**

## Sermon

### The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son,  
our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the  
Father, and he will come to judge the  
living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen**

### Prayers

#### ***Intercessions are offered.***

*The response to:* Lord in your Mercy

*Is:* **Hear our Prayer**

*Intercessions conclude with:*

**Merciful father, Accept these prayers for  
the sake of your son, Our Saviour, Jesus  
Christ, Amen.**

#### ***The Collect is said:***

Unchanging God, who in your great mercy  
blessed Abraham and Sarah in their old  
age: Help us, regardless of our years, to  
keep on growing in wisdom, faith, and an  
ever-deepening awareness of your unfailing  
grace. through Jesus Christ your Son our  
Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the  
unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. **Amen**

#### ***The Lord's Prayer is said***

### Notices

## Hymn: One more step along the world

One more step along the world I go,  
one more step along the world I go,  
from the old things to the new,  
keep me travelling along with you:  
[Refrain:] And it's from the old I travel to the  
new; keep me travelling along with you.

Round the corners of the world I turn,  
more and more about the world I learn;  
all the new things that I see  
you'll be looking at along with me. [Refrain]

As I travel through the bad and good,  
keep me travelling the way I should;  
where I see no way to go  
you'll be telling me the way, I know. [Refrain]

Give me courage when the world is rough,  
keep me loving though the world is tough;  
leap and sing in all I do,  
keep me travelling along with you. [Refrain]

You are older than the world can be,  
you are younger than the life in me;  
ever old and ever new,  
keep me travelling along with you. [Refrain]

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### ***Closing Scripture***

#### **Isaiah 46:3–4**

Even to your old age and grey hair,  
I am He

#### **Psalm 92**

They shall still bear fruit in old age.

### ***Blessing***

The LORD bless you and keep you;  
The LORD make His face shine upon you,  
And be gracious to you;  
The LORD lift up His countenance upon  
you, And give you peace.

### ***The Dismissal***

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord,  
**All In the name of Christ. Amen**