

Café worship 19 Feb 2023

Opening Prayer

We come from scattered lives to meet with God. Let us recognise his presence with us. As God's people we have gathered:

God of all mercy, your Son proclaimed good news to the poor, release to the captives, and freedom to the oppressed: fill us with your Holy Spirit and set all your people free to praise you in Christ our Lord. Amen.

Songs: Praise is rising, My lips shall praise you

We say sorry to God:

Christ the light of the world has come to dispel the darkness of our hearts. In his light let us examine ourselves and confess our sins.

God of mercy, we acknowledge that we are all sinners. We turn from the wrong that we have thought and said and done, and are mindful of all that we have failed to do. For the sake of Jesus, who died for us, forgive us for all that is past, and help us to live each day in the light of Christ our Lord. Amen.

May God our Father forgive us our sins and bring us to the eternal joy of his kingdom, where dust and ashes have no dominion. **Amen**

Song: The grace of God has reached for me (Salvation Song)

Bible Reading

Matthew 17:1-9 *At the end:* This is the word of the Lord;
Thanks be to God.

Song: Open our eyes Lord

Reflection and Table Talk

- Where do you go / what do you do, if you want to see Jesus and spend time with him?
- Have you been surprised at an encounter with Jesus? Can you tell your table about that?
- Hearing the Gospel story this morning, what have you heard that might help you this Lent?

The prayers, concluding with The Lord's Prayer

As our Saviour 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.

Notices

Closing Song: Rejoice rejoice

Sending out prayer

Let us bless one another by the power of the Holy Spirit, as we go out into this new week, in the words of the Grace:

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, ever more, Amen.