

MORNING WORSHIP

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September  
Trinity 14**

Leader: O Lord, open our lips

**All: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul

**All: and forget not all his benefits.**

**Confession (sit)**

We come to God as one from whom no secrets are hidden,  
to ask for his forgiveness and peace.

The Lord forgives our sins and heals our infirmities  
Lord, have mercy.

**All: Lord, have mercy.**

The Lord is full of compassion and of great kindness  
Christ have mercy

**All: Christ have mercy**

The Lord cares for his children and for those who fear him.  
Lord have mercy

**All Lord have mercy**

*cf Psalm 103*

Almighty God  
who forgives all who truly repent,  
have mercy upon *you*,  
pardon and deliver *you* from all *your* sins,  
confirm and strengthen *you*  
in all goodness,  
and keep *you* in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Opening Prayer**

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

*Silence in 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.**

**Bible Reading: Matthew 18:21-35**

Then Peter came and said to him, 'Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?' Jesus said to him, 'Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.'

For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything." And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow-slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, "Pay what you owe." Then his fellow-slave fell down and pleaded with him, "Have patience with me, and I will pay you." But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he should pay the debt. When his fellow-slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, "You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow-slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he should pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart.'

**Talk****Affirmation of Faith**

Let us declare our faith in God.

**All: We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

*cf Ephesians 3*

**The Intercessions**

*Response*

Lord hear us as we call to you  
**and accept the prayer of our hearts.**

*At the end:*

Merciful Father:

**Accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen**

### **The Collect for Trinity 14**

Merciful God  
your Son came to save us  
and bore our sins on the cross:  
may we trust in your mercy  
and know your love,  
rejoicing in the righteousness  
that is ours through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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

### **The Peace**

Christ is our peace.  
He has reconciled us to God in one body by the cross.  
We meet in his name and share his peace.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**All: and also with you.**

### **The Blessing**

The Lord bless you and watch over you,  
the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you,  
the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace;  
and the blessing of God Almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be  
among you, and remain with you now and always. **Amen.**

*cf Numbers 6.24,*

**Hymn:** *Awake my soul and with the sun*

**Awake, my soul, and with the sun  
thy daily stage of duty run;  
shake off dull sloth, and joyful rise  
to pay thy morning sacrifice.**

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise Him all creatures here below;  
praise Him above, ye heav'only host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

**The Dismissal**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**All: In the name of Christ.**