**Morning Prayer on The Third Sunday after Trinity**

Sunday 6 July 2025 at 9.30 (call in from 9.15)

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**Preparation**

In the name of the living God,

Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*All* **Amen.**

O Lord, open our lips

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

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;

let us pray with one heart and mind.

God of all,  
 we have taken different journeys, from different places,  
 but as one community, we worship you;  
 with one voice, we praise you;  
 with our individual gifts but a united vision, we will serve you,  
 in partnership, in fellowship, in joy  
 and, most of all, in Jesus’ name,  
 we will worship you today and every day. **Amen.**

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.

*All* **Amen.**

**A prayer of confession**

God of truth, forgive us when:  
we try to fool you and others with outwards shows of faith;  
we don’t carry one another’s burdens and deal well with difference;  
we think only of ourselves and not our community.  
Forgive us and help us to grow in faith, integrity and love  
for you and the world.  
In Jesus’ name we pray. **Amen.**

**Assurance of forgiveness**

God of grace, though we make mistakes,  
you draw us back into your fellowship of faith  
and welcome us again into your community of caring.  
You empower us through your gift of forgiveness  
to draw others into your fellowship too,  
that together we may grow into the likeness of your Son,  
Jesus Christ, our Lord and Saviour. **Amen.**

**The Word of God**

**First reading Galatians 6: 1-17**

**6**Brothers and sisters, if someone is caught in a sin, you who live by the Spirit should restore that person gently. But watch yourselves, or you also may be tempted. **2**Carry each other’s burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. **3**If anyone thinks they are something when they are not, they deceive themselves. **4**Each one should test their own actions. Then they can take pride in themselves alone, without comparing themselves to someone else, **5**for each one should carry their own load. **6**Nevertheless, the one who receives instruction in the word should share all good things with their instructor.

**7**Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows. **8**Whoever sows to please their flesh, from the flesh will reap destruction; whoever sows to please the Spirit, from the Spirit will reap eternal life. **9**Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. **10**Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people, especially to those who belong to the family of believers.

**11**See what large letters I use as I write to you with my own hand!

**12**Those who want to impress people by means of the flesh are trying to compel you to be circumcised. The only reason they do this is to avoid being persecuted for the cross of Christ. **13**Not even those who are circumcised keep the law, yet they want you to be circumcised that they may boast about your circumcision in the flesh. **14**May I never boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, through which[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians%206&version=NIV#fen-NIV-29203a)] the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. **15**Neither circumcision nor uncircumcision means anything; what counts is the new creation. **16**Peace and mercy to all who follow this rule—to[[b](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Galatians%206&version=NIV#fen-NIV-29205b)] the Israel of God

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*  **Thanks be to God**

Psalm 66: 1-9

**1**Shout for joy to God, all the earth!  
**2**    Sing the glory of his name;  
    make his praise glorious.  
**3**Say to God, “How awesome are your deeds!  
    So great is your power  
    that your enemies cringe before you.  
**4**All the earth bows down to you;  
    they sing praise to you,  
    they sing the praises of your name.”[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Psalm%2066&version=NIV#fen-NIV-14878a)]

**5**Come and see what God has done,  
    his awesome deeds for mankind!  
**6**He turned the sea into dry land,  
    they passed through the waters on foot—  
    come, let us rejoice in him.  
**7**He rules forever by his power,  
    his eyes watch the nations—  
    let not the rebellious rise up against him.

**8**Praise our God, all peoples,  
    let the sound of his praise be heard;  
**9**he has preserved our lives  
    and kept our feet from slipping.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning,**

**is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Second reading: Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20

**10**After this the Lord appointed seventy-two[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=Luke%2010&version=NIV#fen-NIV-25365a)] others and sent them two by two ahead of him to every town and place where he was about to go. **2**He told them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field. **3**Go! I am sending you out like lambs among wolves. **4**Do not take a purse or bag or sandals; and do not greet anyone on the road.

**5**“When you enter a house, first say, ‘Peace to this house.’ **6**If someone who promotes peace is there, your peace will rest on them; if not, it will return to you. **7**Stay there, eating and drinking whatever they give you, for the worker deserves his wages. Do not move around from house to house.

**8**“When you enter a town and are welcomed, eat what is offered to you. **9**Heal the sick who are there and tell them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ **10**But when you enter a town and are not welcomed, go into its streets and say, **11**‘Even the dust of your town we wipe from our feet as a warning to you. Yet be sure of this: The kingdom of God has come near.’

**16**“Whoever listens to you listens to me; whoever rejects you rejects me; but whoever rejects me rejects him who sent me.”

**17**The seventy-two returned with joy and said, “Lord, even the demons submit to us in your name.”

**18**He replied, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. **19**I have given you authority to trample on snakes and scorpions and to overcome all the power of the enemy; nothing will harm you. **20**However, do not rejoice that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

This is the word of the Lord.

*All*  **Thanks be to God**

*We pause to reflect on the readings before turning to prayer.*

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**Prayers of intercession**

Generous and life-giving God, heal our hurts and hear our prayer.

Save us, O Lord:  
from all that harms us and damages our relationships;  
from arrogance and pride and thinking we can go it alone;  
from protecting our own interests at the expense of the needy.

We pray for kindness to guide our choices   
and that we would know our need of you.

May your Spirit inspire us to put other people first  
and lead us to share what we have without counting the cost.

Generous and life-giving God  
**All: Heal our hurts and hear our prayer.**

Save us, O Lord:  
from failing to hear the cry of a suffering planet  
and from leaders who ignore the crises of a heating world;  
from turning off the news because it is too much to bear;  
from thinking our actions and choices are too small to matter.

We pray for fresh determination to make a difference in the world  
and the ability to pay attention to what matters most.

May your Spirit strengthen us for the work you call us to do in the world.

Generous and life-giving God  
**All: Heal our hurts and hear our prayer.**

Save us, O Lord:  
from despair when things are tough;  
from loneliness and hopelessness;  
from failing to protect the most vulnerable in society.

We pray for people we know who are struggling with illness, pain or distress; (Prayer list)  
and all peoples of the earth whose daily life is a struggle for survival,  
naming people and places in particular need of your peace…

May your Spirit show us how to respond  
and keep us faithful in prayer and joyful in serving others.

Generous and life-giving God  
**All: Heal our hurts and hear our prayer.**

Save us, O Lord:  
from looking for the spectacular and failing to notice the ordinary;  
from ignoring voices from the margins;  
from trying to fix problems instead of being faithfully present to others.

We pray for the daily witness of our communities;  
and give thanks for gifts shared and hearts that are open to one another.

May your Spirit open new ways for us to serve our neighbours  
and may we have the courage to do the humble acts of service you ask of us.

Generous and life-giving God  
**All: Heal our hurts and hear our prayer.**

Collect for the third Sunday after Trinity

Almighty God,

you have broken the tyranny of sin

and have sent the Spirit of your Son into our hearts

whereby we call you Father:

give us grace to dedicate our freedom to your service,

that we and all creation may be brought

to the glorious liberty of the children of God;

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.

*All* **Amen.**

*The Lord’s Prayer*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

*All* **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.**

Blessing

The love of the Lord Jesus draw us to himself;

the power of the Lord Jesus strengthen us in his service;

the joy of the Lord Jesus fill our hearts;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among us and remain with us

and those whom we love and pray for

today and always.

*All* **Amen.**

As we leave this place today,  
thank you for showing us how to love and care for others as we love and care for ourselves.  
Help us to be open to sharing our burdens with others in the weeks and months ahead.  
**Amen.**

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**Steph Update**

Please continue to pray for Steph and her family following her major surgery. Steph is well, out of the high dependency unit and in her word’s ‘a cancer survivor’.

**Exe Valley Community Lunches**

The next lunch is at Calverleigh Court on July 10th from 12.30pm. Please let the church office know if you will be joining us and if you need transport.

**Prayer Chain**

The Exe Valley Mission Community are starting a telephone prayer chain. If you like to be included for prayer or know someone who would like to be included, please contact the church office 01884 250417. Only first initials will be used on the prayer chain to ensure total confidentiality.

**Contacting Church Office**

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