



**St Edmund's Church Taverham
and St Peter's Church Ringland**

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In the quiet, in the stillness I know that You are God

In the secret of Your presence I know there I am restored
When You call I won't refuse
Each new day again I'll choose

*There is no one else for me
None but Jesus
Crucified to set me free
Now I live to bring Him praise*

In the chaos, in confusion I know You're Sovereign still
In the moment of my weakness You give me grace to do Your will
When You call I won't delay
This, my song through all my days

All my delight is in You Lord
All of my hope, all of my strength
All my delight is in You Lord forevermore
(Hillsong)

Loving and living Lord,
You welcome us into your midst
And so we call upon you to hallow this time:

that we may know your blessing
and you may know our devotion;

that we may know your presence
and you may know our worship;

that we may know your will
and you may know our willingness;

that we may know you in the silence
and you may know us in our praise.

Amen.

Sing to our Father, creator and King

Who sent His son Jesus to suffer and bring us
Into His family oh magnify Him
Sing, sing, sing, sing, sing to the Lord of love

Alleluia, alleluia

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Sing to our Brother who of Himself poured
His life out to people to see them restored
Sing to our Healer and sing to our Lord
Sing, sing, sing, sing, sing to the Lord of life

Sing to the Spirit, O let us all hear
And know that He frees us from sin and from fear
To love one another, to serve and to care
Sing, sing, sing, sing, sing to the Lord of peace
(Stephen Ball, John Wilkes, Lorna Ball)

**God of Love,
when your children suffer,
are displaced,
persecuted, or worse
your heart is saddened,
you cry out for justice.
When apathy dulls our hearts
and we do not speak out,
forgive us.
When we are slow to respond
and lives are lost,
forgive us.
Give us a heart for justice
and a prophetic voice,
that this world might see
your love in action
through our lives and words.
(John Birch)**

Lord God, our Father,
you ask of us today:
“My people, answer me:
What more could I have done for you?”

Teach and help us to respond with our whole being
to your daily forgiveness and patience,
to the riches of life brought us by Jesus,
to the prompting of the Holy Spirit,
that we may be a people that bears lasting fruits.

May we bring to all a justice animated by love,
may we learn to share as you do with us.
Show us your mercy through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

We believe in God the Father, who sent Jesus into the world to show us the true nature of God.

We believe in Jesus, the Son of God, who showed his love for us by dying on the cross and rising to new life.

We believe in the Holy Spirit who bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God.

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

May the blessing of the three-in-one God be yours.

A reading from the gospel according to Luke beginning at chapter 12 verse 49.

‘ I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed!

Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on, five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided: father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.’

He also said to the crowds, ‘When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, “It is going to rain”; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, “There will be scorching heat”; and it happens.

You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?

I have heard so many songs

Listened to a thousand tongues
But there is one that sounds above them all
The Father's song, the Father's love
You sung it over me
And for eternity it's written on my heart

*Heaven's perfect melody
The Creator's symphony
You are singing over me
The Father's song
Heaven's perfect mystery
The King of love has sent for me
And now you're singing over me
The Father's song*

We have played so many songs
Played for you ten thousand times
But this is one that echoes in our hearts
The Lord our God, His song proclaims
His love for us, much stronger now
Than ever was, its power to redeem
(Matt Redman, add'l - Nick Moore)

Lord, give us your Spirit, your Spirit that is love

Lord, fill us with your life, freely given for the world

Where children cry, let us wipe their tears away
And where children fall, let us raise them to their feet

Where there is pain, let us be your helping hands
And where there is grief, let us comfort with your love

Where people hate, let us dwell among them with love
And where people fight, let us bind their deepest wounds
(Sandy Hardiman)

Come Holy Spirit,
to all baptised in your name,
that we may turn to good
whatever lies ahead.
Give us passion, give us fire;
make us transform the world from what it is,
to what you have created it to be.
This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

(New Zealand Prayer Book)

**Eternal Spirit,
Earth-maker, Pain-bearer, Life-giver,
Source of all that is and that shall be,
Father and Mother of us all,
Loving God, in whom is heaven:**

**The hallowing of your name echo through the universe!
The way of your justice be followed by the peoples
of the world!
Your heavenly will be done by all created beings!
Your commonwealth of peace and freedom
sustain our hope and come on earth.**

**With the bread we need for today, feed us.
In the hurts we absorb from one another, forgive us.
In times of temptation and test, strengthen us.**

**From trials too great to endure, spare us.
From the grip of all that is evil, free us.
For you reign in the glory of the power that is love,
now and for ever. Amen.**
(New Zealand Prayer Book)

My soul cries out with a joyful shout that the God of my heart is great

And my spirit sings of the wondrous things that you bring to the ones who wait
You fixed your sight on the servant's plight, and my weakness you did not spurn
So from East to West shall my name be blessed, could the world be about to turn?

*My heart shall sing of the day you bring
Let the fires of your justice burn
Wipe away all tears, for the dawn draws near
And the world is about to turn*

Though I am small, my God, my all, you work great things in me
And your mercy will last from the depths of the past to the end of the age to be
Your very name puts the proud to shame, and to those who would for you yearn
You will show your might, put the strong to flight, for the world is about to turn

From the halls of power to the fortress tower, not a stone will be left on stone
Let the king beware for your justice tears ev'ry tyrant from his throne
The hungry poor shall weep no more, for the food they can never earn
There are tables spread, ev'ry mouth be fed, for the world is about to turn

Though the nations rage from age to age, we remember who holds us fast
God's mercy must deliver us from the conqueror's crushing grasp
This saving word that our forebears heard is the promise which holds us bound
'Til the spear and rod can be crushed by God, who is turning the world around
(Rory Cooney)

The Trinity restores you;
they make their face to shine all around you
so that you are saved.

The Father loves you;
He makes his face to shine down on you
so that you are saved.

The Son graces you;
He makes his face to shine right beside you
so that you are saved.

The Spirit lives in you;
He makes his face to shine inside you
so that you are saved.

The Trinity empowers you;
they make their face to shine through you
so that others are saved.

~ written by Bill & Kristi Gaultiere

Faithful One, so unchanging

Ageless One, You're my rock of peace
Lord of all, I depend on You

I call out to You again and again
I call out to You again and again

*You are my rock in times of trouble
You lift me up when I fall down
All through the storm your love is the anchor
My hope is in you alone*

Loyal and true, so engaging
When I'm lost, you will find me
Lord, my God, how I need you now
(Brian Doerksen)

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