

United Parish@Home

Sunday Services



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**The United Parish of Chinnor, Sydenham,
Aston Rowant and Crowell**

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Our prayer is that these services will help you still feel connected to, and loved by, your church family.

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Opening prayer

From a world of choices, we choose to spend time with God. Let us offer him what we have and who we are, with faith that God calls us to a holy life.

God of power, give us the Spirit of love and self-discipline, that we may live relying on your power and responding to your calling.

Give us grace to make choices that will increase our faith and strengthen our obedience to Jesus Christ who is our Lord and Saviour. Amen

Psalm 137 vs 1-6

By the rivers of Babylon we sat and wept
when we remembered Zion.

There on the poplars we hung our harps,
for there are captors asked us for songs,
our tormentors demanded songs of joy;
they said, 'Sing us one of the songs of Zion!'

How can we sing the songs of the Lord
while we are in a foreign land?

If I forget you Jerusalem,

May my right hand forget its skill.

May my tongue cling to the roof of my mouth

if I do not remember you,

If I do not consider Jerusalem

my highest joy.

Prayer of confession

Father God, we have not loved you with our whole heart, we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.

We are truly sorry and humbly repent for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ. Have mercy on us; that we might delight in your will and walk your ways to the glory of your name. Amen

Collect: The 16th Sunday of Trinity

O Lord,
we beseech thee mercifully to receive the prayers
of thy people which call upon thee;
and grant that they may both perceive and know
what things they ought to do,
and also, may have the grace and power faithfully to fulfil the same;
through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord,
who liveth and reigneth with thee,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.
Amen

Bible Reading Luke 17 vs 5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!'
He replied, 'If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it will obey you.
'Suppose one of you has a servant ploughing or looking after sheep. Will he say to the servant when he comes in from the field, 'Come along now and sit down and eat?' Won't he rather say, 'Prepare my supper, get yourself ready and wait on me while I eat and drink; after that you may eat and drink?' Will he thank the servant because he did what he was told to do? So, you also, when you have done everything, you were told to do, should say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done our duty.'

Reflection *(By Margaret)*

The readings set for this Sunday are full of moaning and crying. When we have faith, we are reminded that God speaks into our troubled times when we are in pain as well as our happiest times full of joy. God is with us through all these times whether we experience him or not.

We may not be aware of him as we pray, and especially if we become frustrated if we think he hasn't heard us. But God will answer our prayers when he is ready, in his time. He will redeem it for good, and while we are waiting, he will provide all the courage, inner peace and hope that we need.

It is this important fact that we need to keep at the forefront of our thinking and prayers.

So often when we hear of people's difficult family situations or witness, or read of terrible tragedies that happen, and are still happening around the world, we hear people cry, 'How would a loving God let this happen?' 'Where is he in all this?' 'Why doesn't he do something?'

As hard as it is sometimes, and if we are willing to believe and accept; we know that our God is a God of compassion. He is there suffering alongside the broken-hearted, sharing their grief and distress giving comfort and support. The costly gift of free will is matched by the costly gift of his loving redemption.

At the same time, the bible passage from Luke's Gospel today reminds us there is no room for spiritual self-pity.

There is no perfect happy life, and we have no right to think that we are entitled to such a life. Life has its ups and downs, and we are all fully aware that life does not run smoothly and easily sometimes.

Jesus is direct in talking of the servant who simply accepts the work and weariness as part of his duty, without expecting any special payment or privileges.

If following Christ brings us hardship and suffering, that is no more than we were told to expect, and we are asked to accept it as such, always with the understanding and the conviction that we will be provided with whatever grace and strength we need to cope and triumph over the difficulties.

Prayer

Lord, we come before you with faltering faith, with doubts and anxieties. Teach us to wait patiently on your presence, daily, so we can hear your word for every one of us.

Rekindle within us the gift of your grace.

Lord, our world can feel a strange place to proclaim your glory.

Teach us to sing the song of your mercies anew with all those we meet as we go about our daily lives.

Lord, the land produces your bounty and sustains us with all we need.

Teach us to be responsible stewards of creation and to share of your goodness with those who are less fortunate than ourselves. As, we are thankful, make us mindful of the needs of all.

Lord, hear our prayer for all who are weary and whose labours seem thankless.

In our sorrows, restore our trust in you never ending care, pour upon us your compassionate love.

Lord, hear our prayer for all whose lives feel desolate and lonely.

Deal tenderly with those whose hearts are torn apart by grief....

Gather to yourself in gentleness and peace all the departed.

A time for personal prayer

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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 today 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

Hymn God is working his purpose out

God is working his purpose out, as year succeeds to year,
God is working his purpose out, and the time is drawing near;
nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that will surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

From utmost east to utmost west, wherever feet have trod,
by the mouth of many messengers goes forth the voice of God,
'Give ear to me, ye continents, ye isles, give ear to me,
that the earth will be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

What can we do to do God's work, to prosper and increase
the love of God in all mankind, the reign of the Prince of peace?
What can we do to hasten the time, the time that will surely be,
when the earth will be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

March we forth in the strength of God, with the banner of Christ
unfurled,
that the light of the glorious gospel of truth may shine throughout the
world;
fight we the fight with sorrow and sin, to set the captives free,
that the earth may be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

All we can do is nothing worth unless God blesses the deed;
vainly we hope for the harvest-tide till God gives life to the seed;
yet nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that will surely be,
when the earth shall be filled with the glory of God
as the waters cover the sea.

Final Prayer and Blessing

Help us Lord, to make the most of whatever you have given us.
Thank you that our faith has given, during our life's journey,
And we can look back on all the ways you have walked beside us and
supported us.

Show us how our faith can continue to grow and help us to do whatever
is necessary for that to continue.

In Jesus name. Amen

Rejoicing that the Father, Son and Holy Spirit are with us wherever we
are. Amen

Sunday October 12th 2025

Trinity 17

Introduction

Running in the background throughout October is the thought of Harvest, manifest in the fields and gardens around us, as farmers and gardeners gather what has been grown. Psalm 66, one the psalms set for today, reminds us, all of this is God's work. While the Gospel Reading doesn't reference Harvest specifically, it does remind us that when Heaven and Earth interact, all becomes well in the presence of the Creator. Life in all its fullness.

Opening Prayer

All powerful God, you are present in the universe and in the smallest of your creatures. You embrace with your tenderness all that exists, which includes the rich and the prosperous, the poor and the forgotten of this earth; all are so precious in your eyes.

We thank and praise you, that as we worship you now, you are God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, who look upon us, all people, and the whole of Creation, with Justice and Mercy.

Praise you for evermore. **Amen**

A Psalm set for this Sunday Psalm 66

- 1 Be joyful in God, all the earth; sing the glory of his name; sing the glory of his praise.
- 2 Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! Because of your great Strength your enemies shall bow before you.
- 3 'All the earth shall worship you, sing to you, sing praise to your name.'
- 4 Come now and behold the works of God, how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind.

- 5 He turned the sea into dry land; the river they passed through on foot; there we rejoiced in him.
- 6 In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the nations; let no rebel rise up against him.
- 7 Bless our God, O you peoples; make the voice of his praise to be heard,
- 8 Who holds our souls in life and suffers not our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; you have tried us as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; but you brought us out into a place of liberty.

**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.**

Confession

Creator God, thank you for this world, our home: A beautiful, complex, diverse place, each piece of which reflects your love.

Forgive us for our failure to care for this planet and for each other. We grieve the scars we have inflicted on both people and the created world. As we await the healing of creation, through Christ's coming to create a new heaven and Earth, empower us, as those who bear your image, to protect and care for all you have made. **Amen.**

Absolution

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us and all Creation, in his image, to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Reading Luke 17 vs 11-19

Jesus Cleanses Ten Lepers

11 On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. ¹²As he entered a village; ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, ¹³they called out, saying, 'Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!' ¹⁴When he saw them, he said to them, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' And as they went, they were made clean. ¹⁵Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. ¹⁶He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. ¹⁷Then Jesus asked, 'Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they?' ¹⁸Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?' ¹⁹Then he said to him, 'Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.'

Reflection *(By Tony)*

One of my abiding memories of Christmas from my childhood, is of my Mother ensuring that I, and my older sister, and two younger brothers, sat down and wrote 'Thank You' letters to all our relatives who had given us presents. To this day I find myself instinctively restless in the new year, until I have ensured this is a task I have fulfilled.

Very often the gift was hoped for and had been recorded on our 'Santa List' that we had written and then burnt on the sitting room fire, in the belief that the words would rise up with the smoke, and somehow find its way to be read in Santa's Grotto.

I am deeply grateful to my Mother for instilling the importance of saying 'Thank You'. In doing so it encourages you to remember the thoughtfulness and love that have gone into the selection of the present, and for all the labour of ensuring it gets to the recipient.

In our Gospel Reading today, the ten lepers know exactly what they want – to be healed, and then to be declared ‘Clean’ by the priests so they could be accepted back into, and re-engage, in the community.

The only one to say ‘Thank You’, and to do it with a loud voice, was the ‘outsider’, the Samaritan. He was overwhelmed by what Jesus had done for him, and as he prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet, you just get the feeling something very deep and life-changing is happening here. Yes, he’s healed, but so much more.

I just sense that as this man obeys Jesus’s words: *‘Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.’*; he is beginning a whole new chapter in his life where not only is all well with his body, but his soul.

I have learnt over the years that regularly ‘Thanking’ God, helps me to avoid becoming complacent about what God has done for me through Jesus. Instead of writing my Christmas present list and hoping it will find Santa’s grotto when I burn it, I have discovered the gift of prayer, and how when I cry out to Jesus for mercy, he is listening and responds.

Today let us come in gratitude to Jesus Christ, recognising what he has done for us through his death and resurrection. Let us in a ‘loud’ voice give him thanks, and metaphorically or literally, kneel before him in adoration. Maybe we too will hear his voice say to his: *‘Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.’* Amen

Collect

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
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**

Intercessions

Lord of the Church, hear our prayer, and make us one in heart and mind to serve you and our communities with joy

We pause to reflect and pray, asking God to bless and inspire our United Parish to be Salt and Light in our communities.

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer

Let us turn our eyes to the Lord of glory, saying: come, Lord Jesus. Jesus, servant of God, and bring justice to the nations:

We pause to reflect and pray for those parts of the World we have read or heard about today, where is there war and conflict, poverty and injustice, hunger and disease

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer

We pray for those unwell, disturbed in body, mind or spirit; for the dying, and for those who mourn; we entrust them all to the Lord

We pause to reflect and pray for those known to us who are unwell in body, mind or spirit, and for those who are dying and for those who grieve

Lord, in your mercy: hear our prayer

Lord Jesus, we thank you for your compassion and mercy for the ten lepers. Help us to share in the Samaritan's faith and thankfulness, that we may go on our way rejoicing too.

Merciful Father, accept these prayers, for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen**

Lord's Prayer

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.**

Hymn

Come, ye thankful people, come,
raise the song of harvest home;
all is safely gathered in,
ere the winter storms begin.
God our Maker doth provide
for our wants to be supplied;
come to God's own temple, come,
raise the song of harvest home.

All the world is God's own field,
fruit as praise to God we yield;
wheat and tares together sown
are to joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear;
Lord of harvest, grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take the harvest home;
from the field shall in that day
all offenses purge away,
giving angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast;
but the fruitful ears to store
in the garner evermore.

Even so, Lord, quickly come,
bring thy final harvest home;
gather thou thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin,
there, forever purified,
in thy presence to abide;
come, with all thine angels, come,
raise the glorious harvest home.

Blessing

God of power,
may the boldness of your Spirit transform us,
may the gentleness of your Spirit lead us,
may the gifts of your Spirit equip us to serve and
worship you now and always.
And the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**

19th October 2025
18th Sunday after Trinity

“I lift up my eyes to the hills – where does my help come from? My help comes from the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth” Psalm 121 vs1-2.

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

(Take a moment of silence)

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.

Genesis 32 vs22-31

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until day break. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint, as he wrestled with him. Then he said, “Let me go, for the day is breaking.” But Jacob said, “I will not let you go unless you bless me.” Then the man said, “You shall no longer be called Jacob but Israel, for you have striven with God, and with humans, and have prevailed.” Then Jacob asked him “Please tell me your name?” And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, “For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.” The sun rose upon him as he passed Peniel limping, because of his hip.”

Commentary

Jacob had earlier tricked Esau out of his inheritance. Now, fourteen years later, after working for his uncle Laban, he wants to return and be reconciled to his brother. At the prospect of their meeting, Jacob wonders how Esau will receive him, after he had treated him so badly.

In his sleep he dreams of wrestling with a man (Esau? Laban? or even God?) The identity of the man remains a mystery but as Jacob limps into the new day, he discovers his brother has forgiven him.

“Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck and kissed him, and they wept.” (Genesis 33 v4)

Jacob realised he was not alone, for as the Psalmist wrote “the Lord will keep your going out, and your coming in, from this time on and for evermore.”

The Gospel St. Luke 18 vs1-8

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, “In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God or man, nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, “Grant me justice against your opponent.” For a while he refused, but later he said to himself, “Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.” And the Lord said, “Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes will he find faith on the earth?”

A short reflection *(by Joan)*

In the parable, an unsympathetic and unscrupulous judge is pestered by a widow who persistently comes to him, demanding justice. Initially, the judge just ignores her, but she becomes an irritating nuisance, so the hard-hearted judge eventually responds to her request.

Jesus tells the disciples they should never lose heart but always persist in prayer. When even an unrighteous judge responds to a persistent complaint, will not God, who shows no partiality, always vindicate those who pray?

Take some time to pray

Lord, you forgive us when our faith falters.

You are the enduring God who persists with us.

When we fail to persist with you.

We thank and praise you for this faithful forgiveness
which never flags, never falters, endures to the end. Amen.

God of Surprises

When I think you are not present in my life

You reveal yourself in the love of friends and family,
and nurture us in your never ending affection.

God of surprises

When we think you are not present in our community
you labour to make us of one heart
and cause us to share gladly and generously.

God of surprises

When people think you are not present in our world
you bring hope out of despair
and create growth out of difficulty.

God of surprises

you are ever with us.,

When the days go by and our vision fades
keep surprising us.

When our hope dims and our patience wears thin
keep coming to us.

Teach us to keep our lamps lit and to be prepared,
that we may see your loving presence among us. Amen.

A Hymn to sing or say as a prayer

Father I place into your hands the things I cannot do.

Father I place into your hands the things that I've been through.

Father I place into your hands the way that I should go,

for I know I always can trust you.

Father I place into your hands my friends and family.

Father I place into your hands the things that trouble me.

Father I place into your hands the person I would be,

for I know, I always can trust you.

Father, we love to see your face, we love to hear your voice.

Father we love to sing your praise and in your name rejoice.

Father we love to walk with you and in your presence rest

for we know we always can trust you.

Father I want to be with you and do the things you do.

Father I want to speak the words that you are speaking too.

Father I want to love the ones that you will draw to you,

for I know that I am one with you.

A Blessing

May God give us light to guide us, courage to support us and love to unite us, now and evermore. Amen.

Sunday 26th October 2025
Trinity 19

May Christ, the true, the only light, banish all darkness from our hearts and minds.

Blessed are you, creator of all,
to you be praise and glory for ever.
As your dawn renews the face of the earth,
bringing light and life to all creation,
may we rejoice in this day you have made;
as we wake refreshed from the depths of sleep,
open our eyes to behold your presence
and strengthen our hands to do your will,
that the world may rejoice and give you praise.
Blessed be God for ever.

O Lord, open our lips:
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Silent prayer/reflection on the coming day.

Early in the morning my prayer comes before you.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

You speak in my heart and say 'Seek my face'; your face, Lord,
will I seek.

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my
redeemer.

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy**

A READING FROM THE GOSPELS Luke 18 vs 9-14

[Jesus] also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: ¹⁰ ‘Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. ¹¹ The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, “God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. ¹² I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.” ¹³ But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, “God, be merciful to me, a sinner!” ¹⁴ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.’

REFLECTION *(by Jacky)*

The two men in this parable go to the temple to pray. The Pharisee is certain of his own goodness, comparing himself most favourably to other people. The tax collector stands a distance away, eyes lowered, and whispering a simple prayer “God, be merciful to me, a sinner.” Jesus tells us it was this man, the tax collector, who went home in right relationship (justified) with God.

The tax collector is the one who models Christian humility for us. To be humble is not to despise ourselves, but to see ourselves truthfully before God. The Pharisee measured himself against his neighbours, but the tax collector measured himself only against God’s holiness. True humility is honesty in the presence of the divine mercy of God.

And when anyone in the whole of history measures themselves next to God, everyone falls short and is a “sinner”.

Do remember that the word *sin* comes from an ancient archery term. When an arrow missed the target, it was said to have “sinned.” Like the arrow, when compared to God, we all fall short of living our lives as God intended.

Over time, the simple prayer of this tax collector grew into the Jesus Prayer, one of the great treasures of the Christian tradition. The prayer is: “Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner.” In those few succinct words we confess our faith, we name Christ as Lord, we remember our need, and we entrust ourselves to God’s mercy.

The 19th-century Russian spiritual classic book *The Way of a Pilgrim* tells the story of a monk who longed to live St Paul’s command to “pray without ceasing.” He travels across Russia asking holy men how to do this. Eventually he was taught the Jesus Prayer. He began to say it with every breath, “Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God” as he breathed in, “have mercy on me, a sinner” as he breathed out. Over time the prayer sank into his heart, so much so that he found it rising up within him day and night, even when he slept. The story of the monk shows us that prayer is not only words spoken at certain times, but that it can become the very breath of the soul.

By aligning the Jesus Prayer with our breath, it has the potential to unite our mind, body and soul. The mind focuses on the act of repeating the words (silently or out loud), while the body focuses on the breath and the meaning of the words projects our souls towards God, connecting us with God.

Each time we dare repeat it we stand with the tax collector,
not boasting in ourselves, but opening our hearts to God's mercy.

The Jesus Prayer gently shapes us into humility,
truthfulness, and mercy. It reminds us that our lives are not
measured against other people but are lived only before God.
And when we live that way, mercy becomes the air we breathe.
Amen

THE BENEDICTUS

Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel :
for he has come to his people and set them free.
The Lord has raised up for us a mighty Saviour :
born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets God promised of old to save us from
our enemies : from the hands of all who hate us.
To show mercy to our forebears : and to remember his holy
covenant.
This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham :
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear :
holy and righteous before him all the days of our life.
And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High :
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation :
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God : the dawn from on high
shall break upon us,
To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of
death :
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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.

AN AFFIRMATION OF THE FAITH

I believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist.
I believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature, died for us and rose again.
I believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in
the world.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

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

PRAYERS *may be offered for the day and its tasks, for the world and its
needs and for the Church
and its life or this short litany may be used:*

Be exalted, Lord, above the heavens:

may your glory cover the earth.

Renew your Church in holiness:

and give your people the blessing of peace.

Keep our nation under your care:

and guide us in justice and truth.

Let your way be known on earth:

your saving power among all nations.

Do not let the needy, O God, be forgotten:

nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Lord, hear our prayer:
for we put our trust in you.

The prayers conclude with the Collect of the Day and the Lord's Prayer

COLLECT for 19th Sunday after Trinity

O God, forasmuch as without you
we are not able to please you;
mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit
may in all things direct and rule our hearts;
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

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 CONCLUSION

To the holy and glorious Trinity, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,
be blessing and honour, thanksgiving and praise,
now and for ever. Amen.
Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

HYMN

Love's redeeming work is done,
Fought the fight, the battle won.
Lo, our Sun's eclipse is o'er!
Lo, he sets in blood no more!

Vain the stone, the watch, the seal!
Christ has burst the gates of hell;
Death in vain forbids him rise;
Christ has opened paradise.

Lives again our victorious King;
Where, O death, is now thy sting?
Dying once, he all doth save;
Where thy victory, O grave?

Soar we now where Christ has led,
Following out exalted Head;
Made like him, like him we rise,
Ours the cross, the grave, the skies.

Hail the Lord of earth and heaven!
Praise to thee by both be given:
Thee we greet triumphant now;
Hail, the Resurrection thou!