Week Two Daily Worship – Thursday (3.30pm/7.30pm or a time that suits you)

You might want to listen to a song from one of our playlists

<u>Titles underlined</u> do not need to be said nor *instructions in italics*.

Introduction to worship: Psalm 147:5-11

Great is our Lord and mighty in power; His understanding has no limit. The Lord sustains the humble but casts the wicked to the ground. Sing to the Lord with grateful praise; make music to our God on the harp. He covers the sky with clouds; He supplies the earth with rain and makes grass grow on the hills. He provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they call. His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor His delight in the legs of the warrior; the Lord delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in His unfailing love.

Take a moment to thank God for His unfailing love shown in His provision for us

Hearing God's promise of forgiveness

The scriptures teach us that Christ calls His loved children to share the heavenly banquet with all God's people. Knowing our unworthiness and sin, we recognise that we cannot answer that call on our own merit or in our own strength but only because of the completed work of Christ on the cross. Trusting in all that Christ has achieved on our behalf let us ask from God both mercy and forgiveness as we say together

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.

Here the great promise of scripture (Romans 6)

But thanks be to God that, though you used to be slaves to sin, you have come to obey from your heart the pattern of teaching that has now claimed your allegiance. You have been set free from sin and have become slaves to righteousness.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

Bible Reading: Please use the blog reading for today

Pause for thought on the Bible Reading (suggest at least 30 seconds)

A place for your prayers (based on what you have just read)

Prayers concluding with the Lord's Prayer and a closing prayer

Heavenly Father, thank you for sending Your son Jesus, the perfect example of godly leadership. Please help the leaders of our church family to follow His example and help them to be an example to others so we all grow to be more like Jesus. Help them to inspire others with their speech, conduct, love, faith, and purity. In Jesus name. Amen.

Please pray for one or more of our church leaders by name and in your own words.

Heavenly Father, help us to glory in who You are and what You have done for us whatever circumstances we find ourselves in. Give us teachable minds and a desire to know Your ways, keep us safe from those voices and influences which would stop us looking at You. Please help us to look to You each day so that we may walk daily in the path that You have set before us. Keep us from running after our own wisdom, rather, help us to discern Your wisdom and live our lives in the light of it. Open our eyes to Your truth as we study Your Word and help us to listen to the promptings of the Holy Spirit day by day so that we remember all that You have done for us, Your people - this we ask in Jesus name, Amen.

Heavenly Father, thank You for Your Word and the truths that it contains. We pray that we would read, mark, learn and inwardly digest its truth so that we may conduct ourselves in a manner that is honouring to You and faithful to our status in Christ. Give us discernment to know the truth and protect us from any teaching that has distorted Your Word. We pray for those who lead us that they would devote themselves to studying and preaching Your truth. We ask all of this in Jesus name and for His glory. Amen.

Merciful Father

Accept these and all our prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

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 forever. Amen.

Eternal God, giver of love and power, Your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of His kingdom: confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.