PRAYERS

(Concluding the with 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: 313 Lord of all hopefulness

BLESSING

May the Lord bless you and keep you,
the Lord make his face to shine upon you,
and be gracious unto you,
The Lord lift up his countenance and give you peace,
and may the blessing of God Almighty,
Father Son and Holy Spirit,
rest upon you and those that you love
now and for ever more. Amen

Please feel free to take this Service Sheet home with you if you would like to .

If you would like someone to talk to or, pray with please ask a member of the clergy



A service of Light for Loved Ones

WELCOME

Sentence

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, though they die yet shall they live and however believes in me will never die. *John 11:25,26*

In the name of Jesus Christ, who died and was raised from the dead to the glory of God the Father, we welcome you: Grace mercy and peace be with you **And also with you.**

Prayer:

Heavenly Father, we come into your presence to remember our loved ones who have passed through the valley of the shadow of death: Be with us as we mourn their passing and surround us with your comfort and your peace.

Help us to know your grace and love, and the hope they can bring us, and to worship you in spirit and in truth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

HYMN 106 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

"COME AMONG US LORD"

Come among us Lord

You, who cast the planets into space and cradle the sparrow in her nest.

Come and meet us here

Come among us Lord,

You who bless the poor and the broken and stand by the sad and strong

Come and meet us here

Come among us Lord

You who dance in the silence and shine in the darkness

Come and meet us here

When winter comes and all seems dark and hope is gone,

Guide us Lord, from darkness to light

When spring starts to appear, and hope is rekindled

Bring us comfort Lord, and show us the way.

When the sun shines warm, birds sing and the bulbs bloom,

Let us rejoice Lord, at the ending of winter and the signs of new

hope.

First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9

HYMN 293 Lead us Heavenly Father lead us

Second Reading: Revelation 21: 1-4

REFLECTION

Poem: "I am standing on the foreshore"

By Victor Hugo (1802-1885)

THE COMMEMORATION

An opportunity to come up and light a candle in memory of your loved one

Jesus said "This is the will of him who sent me that I shall lose nothing of all that he has given me, and shall raise them up at the last day

A list of the faithful departed is read followed by a time of silence during which you are invited to come up and light a candle in memory of your loved one.

POEM "After Glow"

Anonymous

I'd like the memory of me
to be a happy one
I'd like to leave an after glow
of smiles when life is done.
I'd like to leave an echo
whispering softly down the ways,
of happy times and laughing times

and bright and sunny days. I'd like the tears of those who grieve,

to dry before the sun of happy memories

Hear us Heavenly Father

that I leave when my life is done.

Prayer

as we remember in love
those now gone from among us
whom we place into your hands.
Acknowledge we pray, the sheep of your fold,
the lambs of your flock
enfold them in your arms of mercy,
in the blessed rest of everlasting peace,
and in the glorious company

of your saints in light. Amen