

## <u>Prayer Space September 2022</u>

'I rejoiced with those who said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

How good it is to sing praises to our God how pleasant and fitting to praise him!'

As your family we gather here today Not because we have to, but because we want to.

We are here to offer you our worship, our prayers

and our lives in service to you and to our neighbour.

We have as our example your Son who chose not to rule but to serve Who gave of himself and you a love so strong

that it flowed like a river from his hands and his heart

Your Son, who came that we might have life, and have it abundantly
Thanks be to God
Your Son, who came that we might know love, and knowing, might share
Thanks be to God
Your Son, who emptied himself of life and love, that we might be filled with both
Thanks be to God

'How great is the love the Father has lavished upon us' That we should be called children of God' 1John 3:1

Father, we come here today conscious of our shortcomings

aware of the thoughts, actions and deeds which have not reflected your love Jesus, Lord of Love have mercy on us

Father, our lives are filled with comings and goings

so little time to be still, so little time for others

for giving instead of receiving Jesus, Lord of Life have mercy on us

Father, in a world that needs to know your love forgive us those times when impatience, tiredness, selfishness or insensitivity have made it difficult for others to see your love through our lives

Jesus, Servant of all have mercy on us

In a moment of silence we bring to our Heavenly Father the needs of our friends and families; the Royal Family, the community on which we live and the surrounding areas,

the tensions, the harsh words spoken in haste, the good deed not done, the love not shown.

We also remember the needs of the Church family, both here and world-wide (Silence)

God of family, God of Love, forgive us for those times when we have forgotten how much we are loved by you, and how important a part we play in your family. Forgive us when we take family for granted.

'The Lord is righteous in all his ways, and loving towards all he has made.
The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth...
My mouth will speak in praise of the Lord.

Let every creature praise his holy name, for ever and ever.' Psalm 145

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit Glorious Trinity Blessed be our God for ever

May we know the love of the heavenly
Father deep in our hearts
May we understand our significance in the
centre of His family,
and the bonds that hold us so close as
brother and sister
May we understand the lengths that He
was prepared to go for all mankind
and freely respond in the Today which he
has given for us to cherish.
Amen

When the music fades
All is stripped away
And I simply come
Longin' just to bring
Something that's of worth
That will bless Your heart

I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself
Is not what You have required
You search much deeper within
Through the ways things appear
You're looking into my heart

I'm comin' back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You
It's all about You, Jesus
I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it
When it's all about You
It's all about You, Jesus

King of endless worth
No one could express
How much You deserve?
Though I'm weak and poor
All I have is Yours
Every single breath

I'll bring You more than a song
For a song in itself
Is not what You have required
You search much deeper within
Through the way things appear
You're looking into my heart,
I'm comin' back to the heart of worship
And it's all about You
It's all about You, Jesus

I'm sorry, Lord, for the thing I've made it When it's all about You It's all about You, Jesus I'm comin' back to the heart of worship 'Cause it's all about You

It's all about You, Jesus, All about You

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