

Community

*In the name of the Father,
and of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen*

**This is the day that the Lord has made
we will give thanks and be glad.
For the gift of this day and the gift of our lives,
For breath and body,
for heart and mind,
for soul and spirit.
We give you thanks, dear Lord.**

Creator God,
This is your world,
all of it belongs to you.
Help me to love it,
to care for it,
to resist from damaging it,
to change my way of life,
to sustain your creation,
to act to restore the balance,
and help the earth to flourish.

Loving Lord,
These are your people,
all are invited into your kingdom.
Help me to love them,
to care for them,
to refrain from hurting them,
to be a bringer of peace,
and a healer of wounds,
to love the despised and rejected,
with the love of my Saviour.

Guiding Spirit,
help me play my part,
may Christ's kingdom come
in me and through me, today.

Reading for the day.

Prayers for others.

In the flats and houses where we live,
alone and together.
Father God, be with us.

In the streets where we travel, walk,
and wait for the bus.
Father God, be with us.

Among our care and community centres,
shops and offices.
Jesus Christ, be with us.

Among our children playing in the street,
at school and at home.
Jesus Christ, be with us

Among the noise of cars and buses,
lorries and planes.
Holy Spirit, be with us.

Among the sharing of lives and stories,
good news and bad.
Holy Spirit, be with us.

Among our gathering for prayer and praise,
in churches and in homes.
Lord God, be with us.

In our community and in our world.
Lord God, be with us.

Blessing

**May the Father guide us and protect us from harm,
May the Son give us life and show us how to live,
May the Spirit fill us with love for God and love for
others,
May our lives be woven with the Sacred Three.**

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Suggestions for readings

Psalm 139, God's complete knowledge and care

Matthew 5.1 – 7.29, The Sermon on the Mount

Galatians 5.22, Fruits of the Spirit

Philippians 2 – 4, Christian living

1 John 4.7-21, Love one another

Revelation 21.1-7, The new heaven and new earth

These prayers are taken from the Daily Prayers for CWBC.
They are not designed to tell us how to pray but to help us as we pray. Use
them in a way that is most helpful for you in your prayer life.
If used in a group setting there are a number of ways they can be used:
led by one reader
with two leaders, one reading the main sections, one reading the scripture
verses (in Times printface)
With all sharing, the reading moves around the group for each new
paragraph.
(the words in bold are for everyone to say together)

