

Order of Worship for use at Home
14th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 7th, 2024

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Opening Words / Call to Worship

Jesus Christ, the crucified Lord, calls us to believe the good news of salvation. His grace is sufficient for us. Let us enter into God's new realm rejoicing, not in our own strength, but in the power of the Holy Spirit. Let us worship God.

Prayer of Confession

Holy Three, Holy One, triune God,
we confess that we do not believe that you have overcome sin and death.
We are more in touch with the pangs of our weakness
than we are with the power of your love.
In fear, we worship idols; in despair, we collapse in hopelessness;
in rage, we seek to dominate others. O God of David, forgive us.
O Son of David, have mercy on us.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Hear and believe this good news: Jesus, the Christ, son of Mary,
Son of the Most High God, was broken and poured out for our salvation.
In Jesus Christ our sins are forgiven. Amen.

Prayer for Illumination

Savior God, you gave Zion as stronghold for David.
By the power of the Holy Spirit, speak to us through Jesus Christ, your living Word,
in whose name we pray. **Amen.**

[Readings for 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time](#)

[2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10](#) and [Psalm 48](#) • [2 Corinthians 12:2-10](#) • [Mark 6:1-13](#)

Sermon exercise for reflection: How can your weakness make room for God's power?

Prayers of the People: or pray for your needs, the needs of our community and the world. Say thank you to God for the blessings received this week and give praise for what God has done for us.

Conclude your time of prayer 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Prayer of Thanksgiving/Dedication

Gracious triune God, we thank you for the suffering love of Jesus Christ, and for your presence with us in times of joy and of sorrow, sickness and health, faithfulness and brokenness. We bring these offerings as signs of our gratitude and as tools in the ministry of the church. Use them and us to make known the good news of your healing love and renewing power, in the name of Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Benediction

Show the love of God in all you do. Be faithful witnesses to the grace of Jesus Christ.
Live in the power and joy of the Holy Spirit.
The Son of David lead you to his eternal kingdom;
the Son of Mary wipe all tears from your eyes;
the Son of the Most High God save you from all evil
and make you whole, now and forever.

Morning Prayer for use during the week:

God of life, thank you for bringing me safely through the night.
As this new day dawns let me receive it as a gift and a blessing.
Open my mind and senses to be fully awake to you.
Attune my body to the rhythms of the day
so that I can love and serve others as you guide me.
If I experience hardship or pain or if I am exposed to danger,
send your Holy Spirit to help me to put my trust more fully in you.
Remind me that in life and in death I belong to you.
Let me walk gently on the earth thankful for your providence and grace.
When the day is done and it is time to rest, grant that I can offer the day to you with thanksgiving.
I offer my prayer in the name of the Beloved Son,
Jesus Christ the Lord. Amen.

Evening Prayer for use during the week:

Holy One, I lift my evening prayer as shadows cover me
and night sounds come from hidden places. But darkness is not dark to you,
so I ask that you hear my prayers and see me through the night.
I have only the activities of the day to offer as my living sacrifice of praise.
Forgive my unholiness; reconcile me by your grace.
For the sake of the risen Christ, this night grant me peace. Amen.