

A Service of Prayer for those in Lockdown

May we know your presence in our isolation,

Your peace in our turmoil and your patience in our waiting.

'Be Still and know that I am God'

Psalm 46

- 1 God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,
- 3 though its waters roar and foamand the mountains quake with their surging.
- 4 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.
- 5 God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.
- 6 Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.
- 7 The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.
- 8 Come and see what the Lord has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth.
- 9 He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.
- 10 He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."
- 11 The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

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.

May we live in peace without weeping.

May our joy outline the lives we touch without ceasing.

And may our love fill the world, angel wings tenderly beating.

(Trad Celtic)



Silent prayer

The LORD of hosts is with us.

The God of Jacob is our refuge.

Lord, you are in the midst of us: keep us fearless in proclaiming your Word and works, and make us to be lights in the darkness.

We pray for those who have died, for those taken suddenly; for those taken unexpectedly; for the families they leave behind; for their friends; for those who have died alone; and for those who have no one to remember them.

Silent prayer

The LORD of hosts is with us.

The God of Jacob is our refuge.

Lord, may those who have waited for you and hoped in your word know your steadfast love face to face.

We offer up, our prayers, our hopes and fears, our joys and sorrows to God, our refuge and strength. In the name of Jesus, **Amen.**

We pray for our communities: Especially for the elderly, confined to their homes and separated from family and support; for children, removed from school; for those who have lost their source of income; for those who fear for their home; for those who have no home; for those offering extraordinary, everyday kindness; for our neighbours and the kindness and support they have given us.

Silent prayer

The Lord Almighty is with us;

The God of Jacob is our fortress.

Lord, you are in the midst of us: help us in our time of trouble.

[We pray for the young and those in education: for those anxious about examinations, a place at university, or employment; for those worried about loved ones and friends; for those concerned about their own health and for their families.

Silent prayer

The Lord Almighty is with us;
The God of Jacob is our fortress.

Lord, you are our refuge and strength: let us not be afraid, even though the world is changed.

We pray for key workers: for all medical staff and hospital workers, who go to work knowing the risks they face; for medical researchers, seeking ways to prevent and to cure; for social workers, protecting the vulnerable; for care workers in our nursing homes and for those carers visiting people in their own homes providing contact and support to those who have no other help; for teachers, worrying about their charges; for farmers, delivery and shop workers, keeping the nation provisioned; for cleaners, fighting the spread of infection; for volunteers and charity organisations...

Silent prayer

The Lord Almighty is with us;
The God of Jacob is our fortress.

Lord, be with us in our time of need: help us to do what has been asked of us, and give us grace to help others do what has been asked of them.]

We pray for the world: for the leaders of the nations and their governments; for areas most besieged by the pandemic; for broken places where healthcare and resources are scarce, and the pandemic brings further suffering.

Silent prayer

The Lord Almighty is with us;

The God of Jacob is our fortress.

Lord, may the nations hear your voice: and know that you are God, supreme among the nations, supreme over all the world.

We pray for those who are sick: for those afflicted with coronavirus; for those with other illnesses and other conditions which leave them vulnerable; for those with poor mental health; for all who suffer; remembering especially all those known to us and who have asked for our prayers.

Silent prayer

The LORD of hosts is with us.

The God of Jacob is our refuge.

Lord, we trust in you, because your love is constant: bring us comfort and healing, for you are always willing to save.

We pray for the Church and the wider Church community and all those of faith, for our fellow members in the body of Christ throughout the world; for the Church in Wales, for Archbishop John and for June our own Bishop for the Bench of Bishops, the clergy, lay ministers, and all the people in their care; for our hospital and hospice chaplains; for our Prison and university Chaplains and all who minister to the sick and the dying.