



**Parish of Timperley**  
Christ Church and Holy Cross



**Liturgy**  
*for*  
Ordinary Time

*Gathering*

Be with us, Spirit of God;  
**nothing can separate us from your love.**  
Breathe on us, breath of God;  
**fill us with your saving power.**  
Speak in us, wisdom of God;  
**bring strength, healing and peace.**

The Lord is here.  
**His Spirit is with us.**

Eternal God, source of all blessing,  
help us to worship you  
with all our heart and mind and strength;  
for you alone are God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,  
for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

## *Confession*

Lord God, our maker and our redeemer,  
this is your world and we are your people:  
come among us and save us.

You made us to be one family,  
yet we have divided humanity.  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

You were born a Jew to reconcile all people,  
yet we have brought disharmony amongst races.  
Christ, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

You rejoice in our differences,  
yet we make them a cause of enmity.  
Lord, have mercy.

**Lord, have mercy.**

## *Praise*

This is love, not that we loved God,  
**but that he loved us and sent his Son.**

He is the sacrifice for our sins,  
**that we might live through him.**

If God loves us so much  
**we ought to love one another.**

If we love one another

**God lives in us.**

*cf 1 John 4.10-12*

*Gratitude by Anna Kamienska (Polish poet, 1920-1966)*

A tempest threw a rainbow in my face  
so that I wanted to fall under the rain  
to kiss the hands of an old woman to whom I gave my seat  
to thank everyone for the fact that they exist  
and at times even feel like smiling  
I was grateful to young leaves that they were willing  
to open up to the sun  
to babies that they still  
felt like coming into this world  
to the old that they heroically  
endure until the end  
I was full of thanks  
like a Sunday alms-box  
I would have embraced death  
if she'd stopped nearby  
Gratitude is a scattered  
homeless love

*From 'At the Still Point', edited by Sarah Arthur*

*Prayers*

God, you are everything to us,  
giving us life, filling us with love, and setting us free from sin  
that we might live in you.

Accept the work of our hands this day,  
take our lives, give us your peace  
and renew us in the service of Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen**

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.**

*Dismissal and Blessing*

We go into the world  
**to walk in God's light,  
to rejoice in God's love  
and to reflect God's glory.**

The Lord bless you and watch over you,  
the Lord make his face shine upon you  
and be gracious to you,  
the Lord look kindly on you and give you peace.  
**Amen.**

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