WELCOME

Parish Church of  
WROUGHTON and WICHELSTOWE



**Morning Worship**

**A service for phone conferences**

You can pray through this service on your own. If you would like to join in with others and hear a short homily then this will be available at 10am on Sunday.

Please try and dial-in at 9:55, as it may take a little while for everyone to be connected to the conference.

For those joining in by phone, we will not be including the hymns during the service, but suggest that you could listen to them after the service (or the first and second hymns before you dial-in, and the third hymn after the service). Hold Ctrl and Click on the link to listen to the hymns online.

*The leader says*

The Lord be with you.

*All*  **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND NOTICES

OPENING HYMN (not played during phone service)

Our opening hymn is “Amazing Grace”

The original version:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NG0vH4WYChQ>

## PRAYERS OF PENITENCE

God so loved the world

that he gave his only Son Jesus Christ

to save us from our sins,

to be our advocate in heaven,

and to bring us to eternal life.

As we prepare to hear God’s holy Word,

let us call to mind our sins.

*We pause to reflect in silence for a moment*

*All*  **Most merciful God,**

**Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,**

**we confess that we have sinned**

**in thought, word and deed.**

**We have not loved you with our whole heart.**

**We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.**

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,**

**help us to amend what we are,**

**and direct what we shall be;**

**that we may do justly, love mercy,**

**and walk humbly with you, our God.**

**Amen.**

May God our Father forgive us our sins,

and bring us to the fellowship of his table

with the saints forever.

**Amen.**

RESPONSORY

Trust in the Lord with all your heart;

and be not wise in your own sight.

*All*   **Trust in the Lord with all your heart;**

**and be not wise in your own sight.**

In all your ways acknowledge him

and he will make straight your paths.

*All*  **Trust in the Lord with all your heart.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit.

*All* **Trust in the Lord with all your heart;**

**and be not wise in your own sight.**

*from Proverbs 3*

 THE COLLECT

## Gracious Father,

## You gave up your Son

## out of love for the world:

## lead us to ponder the mysteries of his passion,

## that we may know eternal peace

## through the shedding of our Saviour’s blood,

## Jesus Christ our Lord.

## **Amen**

## HYMN (not played during phone service)

## Our second hymn is “Only by grace can we enter”

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8xf3ODX2dfU>

 GOSPEL READING

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John

*All* Glory to you, O Lord.

The READING

*at the end:*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*All* Praise to you, O Christ.

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## HOMILY

APOSTLE’S CREED

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*All*  I believe in God, the Father almighty,

creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried;

he descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again;

he ascended into heaven,

he is seated at the right hand of the Father,

and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic Church,

the communion of saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and the life everlasting.

Amen.

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

  Lord, we are now in times like no one has ever experienced before. No one knows how or even when this will end. We praise you that you are bigger than coronavirus, and wrap your love around us.

Lord, in your mercy

*All*  hear our prayer.

We pray for leaders, the politicians, the medical experts and NHS managers, the forces leaders, those managing the volunteers, the shop managers, and other essential service managers: they have so many things to consider, staff safety, logistics of equipment and time. Give them physical strength. We pray for everyone working in our front line. We each have a responsibility to protect them by socially distancing ourselves.

Lord, in your mercy

*All*  hear our prayer.

We have often been told the Church is the people and not the building, and now we each have the responsibility to share your love and care for others. The phone call to a neighbour, or grandchild, which is not usual for us to make. The contact with someone we have not spoken to for years, other than exchange of Christmas cards. Those of us able to help others, to continue regular communications, and should that become not possible someone else ready to stand in.

Lord, in your mercy

*All*  hear our prayer.

All of us are frightened by the virus, but normal illnesses continue to cause us concern. We pray for those coping with acute illness, those whose investigations and treatments have been postponed. We pray for those with mental illnesses that the crisis does not make things worse. We pray for those who are being sheltered for three months, the loneliness of living alone pales into in-significance for these people.

Lord, in your mercy

*All*  hear our prayer.

We pray for the families of those whose life has ended. They are not able to mourn in the usual way with funeral arrangements being so restrictive. Give people the space to grieve, and permission to find time alone when the family are holding what funeral they can. Help us all to find a place where we can come aside to spend time with you as we hear news. We especially pray for the family and friends of Jean Leo.

Lord, in your mercy

*All*  hear our prayer.

Keep us, Lord under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who are sick and lift up all who are brought low. That we may comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Merciful Father,

*All* accept these prayers

for the sake of your Son,  
our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

## THE LORDS PRAYER

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## Believing the promises of God, let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us.

*All* 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.

## HYMN (not played during phone service)

## Our final hymn is “I am the bread of life”

## <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dX4uC3a7RC8>

## BLESSING

The peace of God, which passes all understanding,

keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,

be among us and remain with us always.

*All* **Amen.**

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord

*All* In the name of Christ, we go. Amen