## A time of prayer

God of all hope I call on you today.

I pray for those who are living in fear:

Fear of illness, fear for loved ones, fear of other's reactions to them.

May your Spirit give us all a sense of calmness and peace.

I pray for your church in this time of uncertainty:

For those people who are worried about attending worship.

For those needing to make decisions in order to care for other

For those who will feel more isolated by not being able to attend.

Grant us your wisdom, grant your peace

I pray for the afflicted and sorrowful and for all who need my prayers.

I especially want to pray for .....

Holy God, I remember that you have promised that
Nothing will separate us from your love
demonstrated to us in Jesus Christ.

Help us turn our eyes, hearts and minds to you.

Eternal God,

through your Son you have filled each person's life with your presence.

Help us in our sufferings and trials and strengthen us in our weakness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Our Father .....

# Sing a verse of a hymn that comes to mind A prayer of blessing

May the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with us all now, and for evermore. Amen

## Some useful internet sites:

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCUAUqhmhevz5sqhh72LIMxA www.youtube.com/watch?v=W3LCGh02Vew www.youtube.com/watch?v=QvLxZEU02ul https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+4%3A5-42&version=NIVUK Can Not Come Church

## Call to Worship:

Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

## Hymn:

# All my hope on God is founded (Singing the Faith 455)

Sing, read, pray or proclaim the words

- I All my hope on God is founded; he doth still my trust renew. Me through change and chance he guideth, only good and only true. God unknown, he alone calls my heart to be his own.
- 2 Human pride and earthly glory, sword and crown betray our trust; what with care and toil we fashion, tower and temple, fall to dust. But God's power, hour by hour, is my temple and my tower.
- 3 God's great goodness aye endureth, deep his wisdom passing thought; splendour, light, and life attend him, beauty springeth out of nought.
- Evermore from his store new-born worlds rise and adore.

  4 Daily doth the almighty giver bounteous gifts on us bestow;
- his desire our soul delighteth, pleasure leads us where we go. Love doth stand at his hand; joy doth wait on his command.
- 5 Still from earth to God eternal sacrifice of praise be done, high above all praises praising for the gift of Christ his Son. Christ doth call one and all ye who follow shall not fall.

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## Let us pray together

Lord, you are steadfast in your love and infinite in your mercy; I praise you for what you have done in my life ...(take a few moments to name the good things)

Thank you for the gift of Jesus who shows us what you are really like.

You welcome sinners and invite them to be your guests. Forgive me when I have felt myself to be better than other people.

I confess my sins, trusting in you to forgive me trusting in your Cross trusting in your love. Amen

## Read Today's Gospel Reading

15 Mar	John 4:5-42	12 Apr	Matt28:1-10	10 May	John 14:1-14
22 Mar	John 19:25-27	19 Apr	John 20:19-31	17 May	John 14:15-21
29 Mar	John 11:1-45	26 Apr	Luke 24:13-35	24 May	John 17:1-11
5 Apr	Matt 27:11-54	3 May	John 10:1-10	31 May	John 20:19-23

#### Time to Reflect

Read the passage, slowly

Take a moment to think about the passage - is it familiar to you? Read the passage again. Think about it as you read.

Do you remember what you have learned about this passage? Put all that to one side for the moment, and pray to God to open your heart and mind to God's Word here and now.

Read the passage for the third time - but now do so very slowly, word by slow word, remembering that you are listening for God's words now, not what you have learned or heard in the past.

What speaks to you in this passage?

## Take a time to sit quietly

For a full minute, sit quietly, silently, listening. Listening to your own heart; listening to your memories, but above all, listening to God. Finally, read the passage one last time, and say "Amen".