# **Church Intercessions - Trinity Sunday 07.06.2020**

Genesis 1:1-2:4a; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; Matthew 28:16-20

Holy Trinity, forever one, whose nature is community, a source of all sharing, in whom we love, and meet, and know our neighbour, life in all its fullness, making all things new. You invite us, as your people, to gather the world's needs into our hearts and bring them before you.

Let us pray...

#### We remember the Creator God

Father God, in calling forth creation from the void, revealing yourself in human flesh, and pouring forth your wisdom to guide us, you manifest your concern for your whole universe. We thank you that You are a creator God. We thank you that you have made all things and have made them well. That you have given to us all things richly to enjoy. For the beauty and the bounty of this fair earth. Forgive us if in pride and selfishness and in anger we have misused your gifts and have used for death that which was meant for life.

God of hope, you have given the rainbow as a symbol of your faithfulness, in its colours you have shown us the variety of human life and your call to unity. Its span between heaven and earth reminds us that our hopes for the future are founded on your grace. You have turned your face from judgement to redemption and have called us to be peacemakers. Lord God, make us your people, unify us in our diversity, make us passionate for peace as we trust in your grace.

#### Let us remember the Redeemer God

Son of God, we praise and adore you. Jesus: wisdom and word; lover of outcasts; friend of the poor; one of us yet one with God; crucified and risen.

Jesus, we thank you for your redeeming power. You love us and we see your love shown most clearly on the cross where you gave of your life to conquer death and to make well the brokenness of the universe. We thank you Son of God who loves us with a never-ending love. Forgive us if we have treated your love lightly as a little thing and if we have shown little love in return.

We thank you for our church and its people, and gladly acknowledge all the gifts you have given us through its life, we ask you to open wide our hearts that we may welcome the stranger and share our faith with others. Open wide our minds that we may receive new truth and understand your will. Open wide our doors and at this time our computers and bibles, that as we have come to worship so we may go out with you to the service of the world. Open wide our lives that through discipline and prayer we may experience your power in daily living.

Lord you have chosen men and women to serve you in the ministry of your church and given them a perfect example in the person of your son: pour your blessings on your servants today, especially in our own church for Dway and Leeza, that by word and deed they may proclaim your saving love and so enable us all to grow in your image.



### Let us remember the Spirit of God

Holy Spirit we thank you that you are with us at all times and in all places. For the guidance which you give to us, for the knowledge which you have given to us for your continual upholding, strengthening and protecting power. We thank you that you are with us always. Forgive us if we have tried to live alone, and have been reluctant to walk with you or draw strength from you.

Eternal Spirit, we pray for families and individuals, created in your image, for the lonely, the bereaved, the sick and the dying ... Breathe on them the breath of life and bring them to your mercy and grace. We pray for our hurting world. That war-makers will find peace. That the hungry will find food. That refugees will find shelter. That injustice will be answered with all that is right and good.

Spirit of God, be present in the healing touch of all hands that help the sick and suffering and send your Spirit to comfort and protect all who need you, especially all that are in the front line on the pandemic: the medical staff; the scientists that are desperately focused on finding a cure/vaccine for Covid-19; the government, both state and federal. Give them strength, wisdom and discernment to carry out their tasks to the best of their abilities.

We pray for all who suffer. For those we love dearly. For those we barely know. For those whose suffering we have ignored. For those who cannot see a way through broken relationships, difficult financial realities, emotional darkness, and deep, deep loneliness. May they find you even in the most hopeless places. May they find your people, too, in those places, bringing good news and hope to all who are longing for something new.

## Let us remember the Trinity

"Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest."

Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son, Mysterious Godhead, Three in One: We pray for ourselves, for your Church, for all whom we remember before you ... Bring us all to bow before your throne in heaven, to receive life and pardon, mercy and grace for all eternity. We give thanks for all your servants departed this life; for the memory of their words and deeds; for the sure and certain hope of reunion with them hereafter; for the joy that is now theirs, free from earth's sin and sorrow; and for our communion with them in your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Lord God in spite of our unbelief and lack of understanding of who you are, show us your new way of living. Fill us with strength and courage, that we may be your instruments of justice and love in this world, that it may be on earth as it is in heaven.

May the blessing of God the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, the Three in One and One in Three be on us now and stay with each one of us today and always. Amen.

