

Thank you God for the love of our mothers:  
thank you God for their care and concern;  
thank you God for the joys they have shared with us;  
thank you God for the pains they have borne for us;  
thank you God for all that they give us;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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 MUSIC – Tell out my soul

NOTICES

BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

May God, the creator, bless *us*:  
may God, born of an earthly mother,  
bless *us*:  
may God, who broods as a mother over her children, bless *us*.  
May almighty God bless *us*, Father ✠, Son,  
and Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Go in peace to love  
and serve the Lord.  
In the name of Christ. Amen.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY:

Chorale improvisation on  
*Praise the Lord, O my Soul* - Sigfrid Karg-Elert



St Mary's, Lapworth  
14<sup>th</sup> March 2021 - 11am  
**Mothering Sunday**

HYMN MUSIC – Jesus good, above all other  
vv1-2

In the name of the Father ✠  
and of the Son,  
and of the Holy Spirit  
Amen.



The Lord be with you  
And also with you.

*Welcome and introduction to the service*

CONFESSION

Let us call to mind our sin, our failure to  
value the love of others and our failure to  
love as Christ has loved us.

Your love gives us life, yet we fail to live as  
your children. Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

You call us to do good, yet we seek our  
own good. Christ, have mercy.  
**Christ have mercy.**

You hear us when we cry for help, yet we  
ignore the cry of others. Lord, have mercy.  
**Lord, have mercy.**

May the Father of all mercies  
cleanse *us* from *our* sins,  
and restore *us* in his image  
to the praise and glory of his name,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.



HYMN MUSIC – Jesus good above all other  
vv3-5



## WE PRAISE

This is the day that the Lord has made.  
**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

Let us worship the Lord.  
**All praise to his name.**

## A SONG OF ST ANSELM

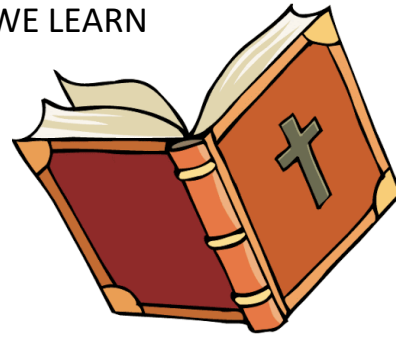
- 1 Jesus, like a mother you gather your people to you; you are gentle with us as a mother with her children.
- 2 Often you weep over our sins and our pride, tenderly you draw us from hatred and judgement.
- 3 You comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds, in sickness you nurse us and with pure milk you feed us.
- 4 Jesus, by your dying, we are born to new life; by your anguish and labour we come forth in joy.
- 5 Despair turns to hope through your sweet goodness; through your gentleness we find comfort in fear.
- 6 Your warmth gives life to the dead, your touch makes sinners righteous.
- 7 Lord Jesus, in your mercy heal us; in your love and tenderness remake us.
- 8 In your compassion bring grace and forgiveness, for the beauty of heaven may your love prepare us.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

## COLLECT PRAYER *(we remain standing)*

God of love,  
passionate and strong,  
tender and careful:  
watch over us and hold us  
all the days of our life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

## WE LEARN



Luke 2: 33-35

## REFLECTION



HYMN MUSIC – Lord of all hopefulness

vv1-2

## WE BELIEVE

**We believe in God the Father,  
from whom every family  
in heaven and on earth is named.  
We believe in God the Son,  
who lives in our hearts through faith,  
and fills us with his love.  
We believe in God the Holy Spirit,  
who strengthens us  
with power from on high.  
We believe in one God;  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

## WE SHARE THE PEACE

Through the prophet  
Isaiah, God says,  
'As a mother comforts her child,  
so I will comfort you.'



The peace of the Lord be always with you  
**and also with you.**

*We smile at the people near to us.*

HYMN MUSIC – Lord of all hopefulness

vv3-4

## WE PRAY

Lord in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer**