



StLeonard's & StPeter's

BENEFICE OF EYNHAM & CASSINGTON



Online Service at 10.30am on Sunday 2nd May 2021

Invitation

Give ear to my cry O Lord
Consider my meditation
Hear my cry for help
My King and my God

For to you I will pray
In the morning, Lord, you will hear my voice
In the morning I will direct my prayer
To you, and I will wait expectantly

Collect

Risen Christ,
For whom no door is locked, no entrance barred:
Open the doors of our hearts,
That we may seek the good of others
And walk the joyful road of sacrifice and peace,
To the praise of God the Father.

Song: I love you Lord

I love You, Lord
For Your mercy never fails me
All my days, I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

All my life You have been faithful
All my life You have been so, so good
With every breath that I am able
I will sing of the goodness of God

Reading 1: Acts 4: 32-35

The Believers share their possessions

³² All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. ³³ With great power the apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all ³⁴ that there was no needy person among them. For from time to time those who owned land or houses sold them, brought the money from the sales ³⁵ and put it at the apostles' feet, and it was distributed to anyone who had need.

Reading 2: 2 Peter 1: 1-11

Simon Peter, a servant and apostle of Jesus Christ,
To those who through the righteousness of our God and Saviour Jesus Christ
have received a faith as precious as ours:

² Grace and peace be yours in abundance through the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord.

³ His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness. ⁴ Through these he has given us his very great and precious promises, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.

⁵ For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; ⁶ and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; ⁷ and to godliness, mutual affection; and to mutual affection, love. ⁸ For if you possess these qualities in increasing measure, they will keep you from being ineffective and unproductive in your knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ But whoever does not have them is short-sighted and blind, forgetting that they have been cleansed from their past sins.

¹⁰ Therefore, my brothers and sisters, ^[a] make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble, ¹¹ and you will receive a rich welcome into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

Talk: Gifts of the Spirit: Self Control

PRAYERS

After each prayer, we say:

Lord, in your mercy hear our prayer

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

Song: The Lord is Gracious and Compassionate

The lord is gracious and compassionate
Slow to anger
And rich in love (x2)

And the Lord is good to all
He has compassion on all that he has made

As far as the East is from the West
That's how far
He has removed our transgressions from us (x2)

Praise the Lord
Oh my soul
Praise the Lord

Confession

Those born of woman have but a short time to
live.

We have our fill of sorrow.

We blossom like a flower and wither away.

We slip away like a shadow and do not stay.

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

In the midst of life we are in death;
where can we turn for help?

Only to you, Lord.

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

Shut not your ears to our prayers,
but spare us, O Lord.

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

You know the secrets of our hearts;
forgive us our sins.

**Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

Eternal and merciful judge,
both in life and when we come to die,
let us not fall away from you.

**Holy God,
holy and mighty,
holy and merciful Saviour,
have mercy upon us.**

Blessing

May the blessing of God
Father Son and Holy Spirit
Be with us and remain with us
Now and for ever

Amen.