

Simple Morning Prayer

A candle is lit.

Jesus said when two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.

Matthew 18.20

Opening Prayer

Spirit of the Living God
we thirst for your presence.

**Our souls are restless
till they find their rest in you.**

Spirit of the Living God
we come to celebrate

**That your life is present deep within us
and at the heart of all creation.**

Spirit of the Living God
You bring us wholeness

**New sight to our eyes, new music to our ears
new hope to our hearts.**

Spirit of the Living God
Forgive us when we forget your gift of love
made known to us in Jesus Christ
and this morning draw us into your presence.
Amen.

The Word of God

Reading/s from scripture

Reflection

Prayers of gratitude and concern

We bring to God
an experience that was special
in some way,
aware of how God's love was revealed to us.

Short silence

We bring to God
someone we have remembered this morning
and for whom we want to pray.

Short silence

We bring to God
a troubled situation in our world today

Short silence

We bring to God
our hopes for the coming week
and our awareness of God's guiding Spirit

Short silence

We bring ourselves and one another
to God,
aware of his endless love and giving,
and ask that we might grow
in generosity
in warmth of affection
and in commitment to his ways.

Short silence

Bringing all to God, we pray:

**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.**

Blessing

after Julian of Norwich

In his love he clothes us,
enfolds and embraces us;
that tender love completely surrounds us,
never to leave us.

May the Spirit of God
surround us and those we love
this day and always.
Amen.