



## A Stormy Crossing – 7<sup>th</sup> February

### We Gather

God is here

**His spirit is with us**

In strength of faith. In seas of doubt

**His Spirit is with us**

In brightness of hope. In heaviness of despair

**His spirit is with us**

In safety and certainty. In distrust and anger

**His spirit is with us**

In songs of wonder. In silent astonishment

**His spirit is with us**

Let him move among us

**For we are his people**

### Song: He's got the whole world in his hands

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-T1CLIMjiTw>

**He's got the whole world in his hands ...**

**He's got the little bitty baby in his hands ...**

**He's got you and me brother/sister in his hands ...**

**He's got everybody here in his hands ...**

### We Praise God

God our creator who laid the foundations of the earth  
who made the mighty oceans.

**We praise you**

You have the four corners of the earth in your hand  
the wind and the sea obey you

We stand in awe of your power and your beauty

**We praise you**

As the morning stars sang together at creation  
so we sing praises to you

## **We praise you**

As the heavenly beings shouted for joy  
we shout our joy for you

## **We praise you**

Saviour God we praise you in song and in shouting  
in peace and in stillness

## **We praise you**

We quieten our hearts and listen for your voice  
speaking in sheer silence

## **We praise you**

Let your silence give us steadiness  
and calm in the fiercest of storms

## **May we serve you with thanks and praise**

## **We Say Sorry**

Knowing that God and forgives us even before we ask  
we confess those things that separate us from his love.

Loving God,  
We do not always trust that you love us and will take care of us  
Lord have mercy

## **Lord have mercy**

We panic in situations beyond our control  
We make life difficult for ourselves and others  
Christ have mercy

## **Christ have mercy**

We do not see you in the storms of our life  
We do not seek your peace  
Lord have mercy

## **Lord have mercy**

May the God of love  
bring us back to himself,  
forgive us our sins,  
and assure us of his eternal love  
**in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## **Collect**

Gracious Father, by the obedience of Jesus you brought salvation to our wayward world:  
draw us into harmony with your will, that we may find all things restored in him, our Saviour  
Jesus Christ. **Amen**

## Reading and Talk – A Stormy Crossing (Mark 4:35-41)

### Song: Jesus calms the storm

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z8pKd-qk9xl>

When evening came one fateful day the disciples took a ride  
and Jesus said 'Let's use this ship and go to the other side  
and go to the other side.'

They went and left the crowds behind with Jesus in the boat  
They took our saviour as he was, there were other boats around,  
there were other boats around

A violent windstorm soon came up, the waves were getting steep.  
There was no courage in that fearful crew  
'cause Jesus was asleep, 'cause Jesus was asleep

They woke him up and said to him, 'don't you care if we all drown?'  
He calmed the wind and told the sea 'Peace, be still.'

The wind died down, the seas at rest  
they calmed down for a while.  
Amazing grace how sweet the sound that saved a wretch like me  
I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see,  
was blind but now I see.

## Prayers

### Affirmation of Faith

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,  
source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,  
who took our human nature,  
died for us and rose again

**I believe and trust in him.**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who  
gives life to the people of God  
and makes Christ known in the world?

**I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith.**

**We believe and trust in one God,  
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

## The Peace

Jesus says to his disciples,  
'Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you.  
Not as the world gives do I give to you.  
Let not your hearts be troubled or afraid.'  
The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you**

*We offer one another a sign of Christ's peace*

## Hymn: Dear Lord and Father of Mankind

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WqOnjmr9Ah0>

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
forgive our foolish ways!  
Re-clothe us in our rightful mind,  
in purer lives thy service find,  
in deeper reverence, praise;  
in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
beside the Syrian sea,  
the gracious calling of the Lord,  
let us, like them, without a word,  
rise up and follow thee;  
rise up and follow thee.

O Sabbath rest by Galilee!  
O calm of hills above,  
where Jesus knelt to share with thee  
the silence of eternity  
interpreted by love!  
interpreted by love!

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
till all our strivings cease;  
take from our souls the strain and stress,  
and let our ordered lives confess  
the beauty of thy peace;  
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire  
thy coolness and thy balm;  
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm;  
O still, small voice of calm.

## The Offertory

Generous God, creator, redeemer, sustainer,  
at your table we present these gifts,  
symbol of the work you have given us to do;  
use it, use us, in the service of your world  
to the glory of your name.

**Amen.**

## The Eucharistic Prayer

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give thanks and praise.**

the prayer continues ...  
singing your praise:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.**

the prayer continues ... **Amen.**

We break this bread to share in the body of Christ  
**Though we are many, we are one body  
because we all share in one bread.**

**Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.  
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us  
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace**

## The Giving of Communion

### Prayer After Communion

**Lord, we have broken your bread and received your life.  
By the power of your spirit keep us always in your love;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## Notices

## **Blessing and Dismissal**

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