



Blyth Valley Parishes

Family Service

Welcome to this informal gathering. Feel free to move about to make yourself comfortable or to keep any children with you entertained! Please ask a welcomer about our children's corner, the nearest toilets or anything.

Family Service

We welcome each other

You are invited to turn and greet those around you

God in Christ has revealed his glory.

Come let us worship.

From the rising of the sun to its setting

the Lord's name is greatly to be praised.

Give him praise, you servants of the Lord.

O praise the name of the Lord!

Opening songs

Our belief

We say together in faith

Holy, holy, holy

is the Lord God almighty,

who was, and is, and is to come.

We believe in God the Father,

who created all things:

for by his will they were created

and have their being.

We believe in God the Son,

who was slain:

for with his blood,

he purchased us for God,

**from every tribe and language,
from every people and nation.**

We believe in God the Holy Spirit:
**the Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come!'
Even so come, Lord Jesus! Amen.**

Sharing time

People are invited to stand as they are or at the front to share something for our encouragement or support

Readings

Talk

Saying Sorry

The grace of God has dawned upon the world with healing for all.

Let us come to him, in sorrow for our sins, seeking healing and salvation.

Jesus Christ, risen Master and triumphant Lord, we come to you in sorrow for our sins, and confess to you our weakness and unbelief.

When we have lived by our own strength,
and not by the power of your resurrection.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

When we have lived by the light of our own eyes,
as faithless and not believing.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

When we have lived for this world alone,
and doubted our home in heaven.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Lord, hear us and help us.

May the God of love and power
forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit,
and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Open prayers

Starting with the special prayer for the occasion...

...ending with The Our Father

Song and Offering

Parting

The Lord God almighty is our Father:

he loves us and tenderly cares for us.

The Lord Jesus Christ is our Saviour:

he has redeemed us and will defend us to the end.

The Lord, the Holy Spirit, is among us:

he will lead us in God's holy way.

**To God almighty, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
be praise and glory today and for ever. Amen.**

We greet one another as the service comes to a close.

Please join in with the songs and by saying the words in **bold type** on this leaflet. You may stand, sit or kneel as you are able. We usually only stand for the songs in this service. The collection is one way members and visitors can give. Our giving time is happy and voluntary. If you can Gift Aid please do!

Do say hello and chat to us today. If you'd like to keep in touch, give us your preferred contact details.