



Create a peaceful space to pause, and allow yourself to feel God's presence alongside you, as near to you as your own breath. In following the reflection below, as a church we will draw closer to God and to one another as we grow in faith and deepen our sense of belonging to God.

Luke 11:1-2 'Jesus Teaches the Disciples to Pray'

¹ He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' ² He said to them, 'When you pray, say:

OUR FATHER WHICH ART IN HEAVEN

We hear a clock ticking far, far away
So quiet between hymns and prayer
Christians don't ask the time of day
Graces echoed from lips that care

HALLOWED BE THY NAME, THY KINGDOM COME

This coloured and stone hewn church
The naked floor worn by many feet
The forbidden fruits that lack search
For the lost souls perchance to meet

THY WILL BE DONE ON EARTH, AS IT IS IN HEAVEN

Making the God of spirit live
The colours cast the brightest star
To caress the wooden cross with
Feelings of courage, not too far

GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD

To eat with the wine of Christ's blood
From the altar, one fallen crust
With tears of joy the open flood
When all we ask is honest trust

AND FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES AS WE FORGIVE THEM

That shine the lights on barest life
While the voices within our hearts raise
To the borrowed tunes of music rife
And with hands together, show praise

THAT TRESPASS AGAINST US AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION

The shadow of death with reason
Show the way across a meadow
For the gallows there is no treason
Stay, for my staff will comfort so

BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM

Our wise thoughts are put into wrong
And we stray from our honest ways
Where we all promised to belong
In love with Jesus for all our days

THE POWER AND THE GLORY, FOR EVER AND EVER. AMEN.

