

We remember those situations
where children are again in the frontline of historic
prejudices and injustices.

We remember enmity between particular nations
where the continuing tit-for-tat retaliations
seem to spiral increasingly out of control.

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and we are aware of just how little progress we have really made
since those dark days of the last world war.

We pray for all victims, and the perpetrators, of genocide
and other forms of institutional hatred,
killing and discrimination.

Lord, we pray for peace in those and all places –
but for the true peace that comes only when our
relationships are right with you.

But in asking for peace, we recognise our own stubbornness at times,
and must confess that we are not always ready to forgive
and to build anew,
to turn the other cheek and seek a new way.

In the dark areas of the world, may you shining light bring
new hope and new love.

We pray for our country,

Remind us, Lord, that you are with us in the darkness.
When the shades of night seem long, and we cannot clearly
see the way ahead,
then we feel your hand in our hand, taking us forward
one step at a time.

When there are tears in our eyes, and we cannot form the
words in our hearts

WKHQ ZH KH DU \RXU YRLFH VD\LQJ 'RQW EH DIUDLG , DP KHUH

Alleluia. Praise be to You, Living and eternal Lord.

All Amen.

Brian Hudson

Eucharistic prayer for Mothering Sunday

Fourth Sunday in Lent

Based on Julian of Norwich and Hosea 11

We praise you, blessed Trinity:
your great power, our Father;
your deep wisdom, our Mother;
your great love, our Lord.
In the beginning your Spirit brooded over the waters
and brought forth all created things.
As a mother you loved your people Israel
and called your children out of Egypt.
You taught them to walk in your way,
you took them in your arms,
bent down to them and fed them.
When they went astray you did not let loose your anger:
compassion grew warm within you,
for you are God and not a mortal,
the Holy One in our midst.
Through Sarah, Rebekah and Rachel,
through Ruth and Hannah,
you brought to birth children of promise,
to be patriarchs, priests and prophets.
To accomplish your loving purpose,
Elizabeth bore John the Baptist, last of the prophets,
and Mary bore Jesus, our Brother in being,
our Mother in mercy, our Saviour from evil.
Therefore with all your people in heaven and on earth
we sing the triumphant hymn of your glory:

All **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!**

Mothering Sunday – Introduction to a Eucharist prayer

And here we come, this Mothering Sunday,
to celebrate the one

ZKR JLYHV ÀHVK WR ZKDW ORYH

is really all about.

We invite you to lay down your worries,
your pre-occupations, and your fears,
and to come to share at this table –
where God lays out his love for us all.

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[The Lord Jesus on the night he was betrayed took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said:

'This is my body which is broken for you.

'R WKL V LV UHPHPEUDQFH RI PH ¶

In the same way he took the cup also after supper, saying:

'This cup is the new covenant in my blood.

'R WKL V DV RIWHQ DV \RX GULQN LW LQ UHPHPEUDQFH RI PH

For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.']

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Send down the Holy Spirit upon us and upon creation's fruit

WKDW ZH PD\ ;QG KHDOLQJ LQ WKH EURNHQ EUHDG

and peace through the shedding of his blood.

May we, his fellow-workers here,

be refashioned by his grace

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and all things sing your praise,

one God, Trinity of love.

All Amen.

God of all creation

For environmental issues or One World Week

God of all creation,

in your teeming and orderly world,

we have disturbed the balance –

the rich forcing the poor to wreck environments;

the ripping and spoiling of your creation

in order that we may have convenience,

comfort and abundance.

Help us to care –

to share in the renewing of hearts, of lives, of landscape.

As we come to worship a God who gives everything for us,

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Help us to restore and see restored what has been destroyed,

even if it means inconvenience for us.

True Inclusivity

Within the context of Communion

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we confess that sometimes
we give in to what are often irrational fears.
Strange people and places
can make us feel anxious and edgy.
We are hesitant to welcome others
into what we regard as our own space.
Almost without knowing it,
we establish safe and familiar territories

D Q G K H G J H W K H P U R X Q G Z L W K V H O I M X V W L ¿ F D W L R Q

We know it will not do.
We know it goes against your nature.
Your love crosses all boundaries to gather all peoples
and makes no distinctions –
and neither should ours.
We seek your help.

We hear you invite us to your table
and to share your broken bread

D Q G Z H ¿ Q G W K D W H Y H U \ R Q H L V J L Y H Q D S O D F H

and none are turned away.
Your love is not choosy, nor hesitant, nor forced.
Your love is open, gracious, accepting.
Sometimes ours is not.
And therefore, in our world,
classes and clubs divide
and what you made to be one human family
is torn by fear and greed.

As we come to your table, therefore,
help us reclaim those yearnings
for a kingdom where all are welcome and wanted,
D U P H G D Q G H P E U D F H G
even as Jesus stretched out his arms for us.
Amen.

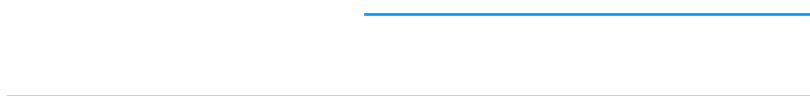
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Praise the Lord for Harvest

Based on Psalm 65:5b-11a

Praise the Eternal One!
People on land and sea, trust in the Most High.
Our God calms the roar of the seas,
and softens the turmoil of the peoples.
So shout of the things God has done!

We are glad that there is growth and joy and satisfaction.



**All Here, in blossom and fruitfulness,
shine all the colours of the rainbow.**

Your promise never fails.

**All Creation tells the everlasting story
of your goodness towards us.**

It is written in your handiwork
and whispered on the breeze.

**All And we are part of it,
called to shape the future,
to care for the earth,
and to share with one another.**

Therefore,
give us grace to do all that is Christlike
so that we may bear fruit in daily acts of goodness
and reap the harvest of our souls.

Amen.

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Communion for Harvest

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The heavens proclaim God's glory,
their dome God's handicraft:
day to the following day,
night to night
tell God's story.

No speech, no word,
no voice is heard.
Yet their music sounds across the world,
announcing themselves to remotest peoples!

The sun pitches its tent in the sea,
happy as a bridegroom,
exulting like a runner,
eager to win the race!

Rising from one end of the heavens
the sun travels to the other,
completing a circuit
and all are blessed by its rays.
Amen.

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the hope of peace which still shines in Northern Ireland, and wherever
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countries. Let them represent the rich and varied cultures of those lands, and
be a joyful sign that the peoples of the east and the west have so much to give
one another.

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those for whom harshness of climate and terrain make life a constant struggle,
and be a sign of work justly rewarded.

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young lives and all those who care for them into the next generation, and let its
richness and sweetness be a sign of Sabbath rest.

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the earth and our responsibility towards the natural world, and let it be a sign of
wholeness for one world.

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So you called one people, to be a light to all the nations,
revealed to them the Law
and spoke to them through the prophets;

So unite us in the Spirit
that our life together may build one Church
to be a living sign of justice and peace
until all things in heaven and on earth
are reconciled to you,
through Jesus Christ, in whom all are at one
in the fellowship of the Father and the Spirit.

All **Amen.**

Colin Thompson

Eucharistic prayer for All Saints

Lord, we praise you that the story of your grace
is full of names, women and men with many failings,
surprised by your call, transformed by your love.

Today we remember them with thanks:

Abraham our father, who was your friend,
the laughter of Sarah, the faithfulness of Ruth,
Moses the liberator and law-giver,

' D Y L G W K H N L Q J W K H S R H W D Q G P X V L F L D Q
who saw from afar the One who was to come.

So when the time was ripe,

you sent Jesus your Son, our great High Priest,

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O H D U Q H G R E H G L H Q F H L Q W K H V F K R R O R I V X H U L Q J

and who, sharing our weakness,
sympathizes with us in our struggles.

He befriended sinners and ate with outcasts;

people came to him burdened and sick

and he made them free and whole.

Therefore with all your people in heaven and on earth
we sing the triumphant hymn of your glory:

[The Lord Jesus on the night he was betrayed
took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it
and said:



With blithe saints whose laughter lifts us,
with irascible saints who drive us to distraction –
and to God – with humble, anonymous saints,
who have no memorial but whose name lives for ever:

All **With holy women and holy men whose lives show
forth the wholeness of God, with holy children
who teach us the wonder and joy of life:**

With this unlikely fellowship, who make human the depth
and riches and power and grace of life before God,
we celebrate the gift of life and the call to faith:

All **Bring us with your saints to glory everlasting.**

From Claremont United Church of Christ (Congregational),
Claremont, California, adapted by Colin Thompson

True Saints

As many as the leaves
golden in autumn
blowing along the streets
are your saints.

As precious as bales
gathered in the barns
R U V W R U H G D W W K H ¿ H O G V L G H
are your saints.

As strong as the rocks
graining the hillsides
or forming the river bed
are your saints.

As widespread as frost
glazing the meadows
and coating the branches
are your saints.

As strange as it seems
grace makes possible
that me and my neighbour
are your saints.

Terry Oakley

God of all Saints and Martyrs

God of all the saints and martyrs
who called your people
to walk together the path of freedom,
gathering as a community of believers,
surrounded by the great cloud of witnesses,
the communion of loved ones,
friends,
leaders,
teachers,
our forebears in faith;
we approach you
Great Ancestor of our ancestors
in worship and in love,
praying that we might once more
draw from the well of your inspiration
and be renewed in your presence.

Amen.

Vaughan Jones

Autumn

As the nights draw in, and we pull the curtains a little earlier each evening,
we pray that, as we get older, we do not draw the curtains of our mind as well.
Lord, open our eyes to new experiences and new examples of your love and
presence in the world. And may we ever continue to praise you for these new
insights.

Amen.

Brian Hudson

Remembrance Sunday 1

Opening Psalm 33 paraphrase

All **Let the whole world acknowledge its Creator.**

Around and within us, dear God,
 stir the tender emotions
 of people who regret the past
 with all its pain and loss
 whilst looking to the future
 with yearning for peace
 and the healing of the nations.

Our greatest fear
 is that we learn too little of the past,
 and fail to deal with
 those tendencies in our human nature
 which lead us, either by folly or fear,
 W R Z D U G V L O H Y L W D E O H F R Q À L F W
 and mutual destruction.

'The good that we will,
 we do not do.
 The evil we would not do,
 that we do.'

Open our hearts, we pray
 in a true spirit of confession and self examination
 O H V W Z H H [D O W W K H F R X U D J H D Q G V D F U L ¿ F H R I R W
 without measuring the expense of our own commitment
 to justice, freedom, and peace.
 Set before us the example of One
 who came and gave everything
 that we might have life in all its fullness.

'He was despised and held of no account,
 an object from which people avert their eyes,
 \ H W K H E R U H R X U D L F W L R Q V
 and by his wounds we are healed.'
 Therefore, save, forgive and heal us dear Christ.
 Amen.

Prayer for peace

God of justice, encircle our earth
with your demand for integrity and openness,
for fairness and sharing

All **and call the nations to live in harmony.**

Prince of Peace, heal your divided world
of its warring madness.
Still our fears and calm our stormy confrontations.

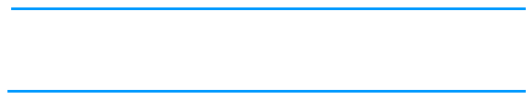
All **and call the nations to live in harmony.**

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All **and call the nations to live in harmony.**

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Holy Trinity of Hope and Love and Joy,



Generation after generation,
 dear God,
 has lifted its hands and voice to you
 in search of peace –
 for a world in chaos,
 D ÀD P H Z L W K D Q J H U
 and torn by hatred.

And thus we come on behalf of our generation.

The horrors of war
 are no longer distant or hidden.
 We watch the terror unfolding, the smoke rising,
 the stricken bodies falling, the earth exploding.
 Fear and sorrow well up within us
 in equal measure.

With deep sighs approaching despair,
 we watch the march of death

D F U R V V W K H ¿ H O G V Z K H U H S H R S O H O D E R X U H G L Q K R
 and through their towns now turned to rubble.

We sense the breaking of your heart,

W X H Q ¿ Q L V U K I H G R L Q W K V H P D Q H

Brief silence

And we recognise that war is no accident.

We have allowed evil the upper hand.

Just grievances go unheeded,
 resentments fester

D Q I G Q G L H F U C H R O X F G H V

the wisdom and love that would save us.

Forgive us for wanting peace without working for it,

I R U P L V W D N L Q J W D O N R I V D F U L ¿ F H I R U W K H U H D O V

Come, Lord, mend and remake us

and show us the way that leads to true peace.

Amen.

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Remembrance Sunday 3

Sing

All **Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's holy name.
Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me into life.**

It is God who forgives all your guilt,
Who heals every one of your ills,
Who redeems your life from the grave,
Who crowns you with love and compassion.

The Lord is compassion and love,
The Lord is patient and rich in mercy.
God does not treat us according to our sins,
Nor repay us according to our faults.

As parents have compassion on their children,
The Lord has mercy on those who revere him;
For God knows of what we are made,
And remembers that we are dust.

(Taizé)

So we remember

All those who died in and from this country and those who died from the countries of the Commonwealth, allies and former enemies, the people of Nagasaki and Hiroshima during the two World Wars;
Those who died in the wars that followed – Korea, Vietnam and too many others;
Those who died in the Genocides of African Slavery in the Caribbean and the Americas, the Hox (.)]E5.5 (ylw)4.5 (e)g (o)0.626 (e C02) (f)9.e

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord.

All **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Prayers of intercession for Remembrance Sunday

The guns bang; the shells explode; the air is thick with dust and debris.

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pauses to say goodbye to their home and walks out to trigger oblivion.

The leaders of governments worry and plan, power as a tool, power as a burden. People wanting to do what is right.
Lazy people wanting to be led by the crowd. Ignorant people following those who forcefully lead.

The soldier prepares.
The politician plans.

Give them all the desire to do what is right. Not what is quick, nor what is easy, nor what the loudest and most powerful voices shout for, but for what is right in your sight.

We wait.

We shout for blood, we do not give them time to debate and explore the issue from the other point of view. We shout that they should be left to it and nothing should rock our boat. We have a narrow circle of interest and assume that our concerns are yours, O God.

We allow our government to bully and insist on valuing life in this country above that in other places.

All are your children

Really, do you really mean that, do you?
The bomber, the corrupt politician they are yours?

We pray for peace.

We pray for justice.

We pray for peace in homes and hearts not based on complacency but on love and respectful relationships.

We pray for the peace of knowing and doing your will.
In the name of Jesus the Prince of Peace.

Lesley Charlton

Colours for remembering

Following each stanza, a large red petal is attached to a display board to form,
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Red is for Anger – anger in the face of injustice, anger that will not stand by and

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VWRSSHG DQJHU WKDW JRHV EH\ROG RXU RZQ VHO¿VK FROFHUQV WR FDUH IRU

Red is for anger.

Red is for Love – love which is strong and passionate, not sickly and

sentimental, love which knows no limits and encompasses family, friend,
neighbour and stranger, love which doesn't count the cost of loving, love which

God has for each one of us. Red is for love.

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Red is for War – war which cuts short life, war which devastates families and
communities, war which destroys the earth God gave us to care for, war which
continues in the world today. Red is for war.

5HG LV IRU DQJHU ORYH VDFUL¿FH DQG ZDU 5HG LV WKH FRORXU RI UHPHPEH
past, lest we forget the true horror of war. On this day we remember and we
commit ourselves to ensuring war does not happen again. Other colours help us
to look to the future and a vision of a more caring and just world.

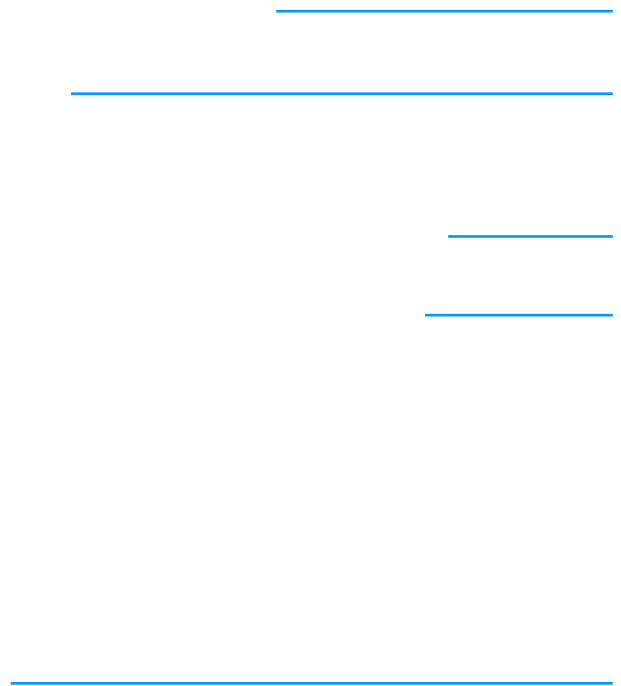
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family.

Blue is for Life – life giving water, sweet and refreshing, without which nothing

DQG UHÀFW LQ WKH VLOHQFH ZH FDQ EH RXUVHOYHV DQG QRW ZKDW RW
be. In the silence we discover ourselves, made in God's image, made to live in
God's image. Black is for silence.

Gold is for Warmth – warm rays of sunshine on your back, relaxing tired
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feel safe and secure, warmth reassures us that we are loved, valued
and cherished. As we feel the warmth shared between family and friends,
we experience the warmth of God enfolding us each day of our lives. Gold is
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The Lighting O

For all people who have died of HIV related causes

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The Lighting O

For Justice

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7KH OLJKWLQJ RI WKH ÌWK FDQGOH

To shine into the darkness of stigma

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The Eucharist

Everyone is very welcome to receive the Eucharist. If you would rather receive a blessing remain standing holding the order of service. If you do not wish to receive the Eucharist please sit.

We hope you will feel free to do what you wish.

The enormity of the realities and complexity of the issues related to people

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Communion may be celebrated

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Thank you life-giving God,
For feeding us and so clothing us in your grace.
Send us out as people of Christ,
Seeking justice, restoration and freedom.
Amen.

Silence and stillness

The lighting of

For hope and restoration

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The blessing

Charity Hamilton

Winter

Lord God, in these cold days,
when the frosty air freezes our breath
and chills our bones,
may we know ever more deeply the warmth of your love.

May we recognise it in the welcome of this fellowship,
the kindness of friends or neighbours
the excited laughter of young children
and the beauty of nature, stark and shorn against a winter sky.

Let it unfreeze our hearts,
invigorate our worship,
and direct our daily living.

In Christ's name.

Brian Hudson

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