

Order of Service

Call to Worship

*How good and pleasant it is
when God's people live together in unity!
It is as if the dew of Hermon
were falling on Mount Zion.
For there the Lord bestows his blessing,
even life forevermore.*

Opening Hymn

Gathering Prayer

God of peace,
In the midst of noise and conflict,
You offer us a still, small voice.
As we gather today, still our restless minds.
Help us lay down our burdens, open our
hearts,
and make space to receive your peace.
May this time of worship be a gentle
reminder
that peace begins with You—and flows
through us.
Amen.

Prayers of adoration and confession

Loving God in whom all things are made
whole,
You sent your Son to heal a broken world.
Visit us with your salvation
That we may be blessed in body, mind and
soul
And so bless this world that sobs for love.

*Acknowledging our brokenness as
individuals, and as communities and
nations in need of deep healing we make
our needs known to God*

Lord Jesus you stretched the fabric of the
cosmos
to reconcile us to God and to each other.
Lord have mercy,
Lord forgive.

Lord Jesus you stretch your wounded hands
across the chasms that have formed
between us and all that makes for peace.

Christ have mercy,
Christ forgive.

Lord Jesus you stretch your hands out to us
in
forgiveness and friendship
that we might build with you a better world.

Lord have mercy,
Lord forgive.

God is love
Through Christ your sins are forgiven.
Live, then, in the power of the Spirit.
Amen.

Hymn

A Collect

O God, whose peace passes all
understanding,
Teach us what makes for peace:
Between neighbours and between nations;
Between faith traditions and diverse
cultures;
Between humanity and all creation;
That the whole earth may rejoice
In the peace you long for us all to receive.
Amen.

Readings

Hymn

Reflection / Sermon on 'Making Time for Peace'

Hymn

Intercessions

Loving God
We give you thanks for the work and witness
of our church here.

The people who volunteer and the people
who pass through.

We give you thanks for our work with
churches of other outlooks and
approaches. Recognising the pain in
separation and the joy and unity.

Into a world of hurt and pain

Bring your healing

Bring your peace

Ever present God

We lift to you the people and places
shattered by war and conflict.

We think, in particular of people in

And we lament the continued presence of
war and conflict in

Into a world of hurt and pain

Bring your healing

Bring your peace

We now pray for ourselves,
our families and our friends.

We think of our friends here at church

(insert names of any prayer requests)

And we think of those known to us
who need your comfort and peace tonight.

Into a world of hurt and pain

Bring your healing

Bring your peace

Lords Prayer

Collection

Hymn

Blessing

Leader:

Go now into the world:

Make time for peace,

Work for peace,

Live in peace.

And may the peace of God—Father, Son,
and Holy Spirit—
go with you now and always.

Amen.