

## COVID-19 prayer

Sovereign Lord, you are the hope and healer of your people and promised a world where there is no more sickness or crying or death. By your death and resurrection, you have set your people free from the penalty of sin and death. We pray your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Please prosper the work of those who are seeking a vaccine for the coronavirus, please strengthen those who are treating the sick, please comfort those who are mourning the loss of loved ones or living in fear of this disease. Please give to the governing authorities wisdom in their management of this crisis, and give to your people peace beyond understanding, generous and wise hearts and a renewed trust in your sovereign goodness and glory. Turn the hearts of many experiencing fear and anxiety that they may find that peace which only you can give, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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## Giving

A helpful way to give regularly is by direct debit.

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Sunday after Ascension

**Welcome!**



**abbotsfordanglicanchurch**

*A fresh start with God*

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## Welcome!

Welcome to church **over the internet!** Thank you for gathering in your homes and listening in to this week's service and Bible Teaching. If you are listening in today, and have not met with us before, welcome!

*"Dear friends, since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another."*

1 John 4:11

*Trevor Young – Rector*

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## Sermon series

*"What makes people tick"?*

*A look at the Bible's reasoning and answers to people's pressing needs and wants*

## Today's Sermon

*"The desire to be loved" – 1 Corinthians 13 & 1 John 4:7-12*

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## TODAY

### Lord's Supper

#### Involved in recording

Karen, Diane, Sam, Rosemary,  
Young Lan, Stewart, Minette &  
Trevor (*Social distancing practiced*)

#### Welcome

#### Song

Behold our God

#### Gathering in God's name

#### Hearing God's Word

1 Corinthians 13

1 John 4:7-12

#### The Creed

#### Sermon

Trevor - "The desire to be loved"

#### Song

Amazing Love

#### Praying for God's World

#### Holy Communion

#### Announcements

#### Song

I Stand Amazed

#### Going out to serve

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## Prayers

### Confession

Almighty God, our heavenly Father

we have gone our own way,  
not loving you as we ought,  
nor loving our neighbour as ourselves.

We have sinned against you  
in thought, word and deed  
and in what we have failed to do.

We deserve your condemnation.

Father, forgive us.

Help us to live for your honour and glory,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. **Amen.**

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth  
as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin  
against us. Lead us not into temptation, but  
deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power  
and the glory are yours, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### The Prayer for the Day

Father, help us to keep in mind that Christ our  
Saviour lives with you in glory, and promised to  
remain with us until the end of time. We ask this  
through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives  
and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God,  
for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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## Next week's sermon

"The desire to belong"

A look at the Bible's reasoning and answers to  
people's pressing needs & wants

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## Lord's Supper

Today during the service, the Lord's Supper will be celebrated by me,  
and by those gathered with me. You are invited at home to either listen  
in and feed on Christ in your hearts by faith with thanksgiving, or if you  
have prepared already, to partake of a piece of bread and wine or grape  
juice in like manner. *See Archbishops letter on Holy Communion.*

## News and Pastoral Care

Life as we know it is slowly moving forward and safely. Restrictions for  
our own safety and the safety of others are being gradually lifted. We  
are all tired and frustrated. Give a thought to our governing authorities  
and essential workers. Loving patience is needed. Fortunately for us, it  
is a gift of the Holy Spirit, as is self-control. I found our latest  
Archbishop's letter an encouragement. Did you?

We now have the opportunity to meet in small groups in people's  
homes, four or five people practicing the 4 metre square rule (or  
outside). Can I encourage you to take the initiative to reach out to  
others and practice safe hospitality. I am encouraged to hear of folk  
catching up over the internet by zoom.

## Bible Study by zoom

Every Sunday afternoon from 5pm to 6pm. Use the Bible Study  
questions sent with the church bulletin. *Contact Trevor to join.*

## Next Monthly Prayer Meeting by zoom

Monday 1st June, 7pm to 730pm. *Contact Trevor to join.*

## Church at 9:30am Sunday, 'Tune in, listen' & 'ring up'

Thank you for continuing to listen in on a Sunday or whenever you  
choose to do so. It's encouraging to know we are still in a way meeting  
regularly together and keeping in contact.

## Giving

During this time of not meeting together, thank you for still giving.