

We say a special prayer for today

Gracious God, you call us to fullness of life:
deliver us from unbelief
and banish our anxieties
with the liberating love
of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

We think about this prayer

We 'Open the Book' of Esther:

Including Esther 7.1-6, 9-10, 9.20-22

We sing together:

Hymn 72 – Bind us together, Lord

We read from the Bible:

*Extracts from James 5.13-20 &
Mark 9.38-50*

**We think again about our opening prayer
and these readings**

We sing together:

Hymn 825 – If I were a butterfly

**We ask God to forgive us for the things
we regret, and to help us to do better
in the future**

Come, let us return to the Lord and say:
**Lord our God, in our sin
we have avoided your call.
Our love for you is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early.
Have mercy on us;
deliver us from judgement;
bind up our wounds and revive us;
in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

We are forgiven

Jesus knows that we don't always do the
right thing and still loves us,

especially when we say we are sorry. We
are forgiven.

Amen

We affirm our shared faith in God

Let us affirm our common faith in Jesus
Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
who made the world?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus
Christ, who redeemed mankind?

I believe and trust in him

Do you believe and trust in his Holy Spirit,
who gives life to the people of God?

I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.

This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.**

We sing together:

Hymn 88 – Brother sister let me serve you

We pray for the world, and for ourselves:

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

We join to sing the church's family 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 forever. Amen.

We say together the special prayer for
today:

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with the liberating love of Jesus Christ our
Lord. Amen

We sing together:

Hymn 163 – Father, Lord of all creation

We offer our gifts to God

Yours, Lord, is the greatness, the power,
the glory, the splendour, and the majesty;
for everything in heaven
and on earth is yours.

**All things come from you,
and of your own do we give you.**

We sing the blessing to each other:

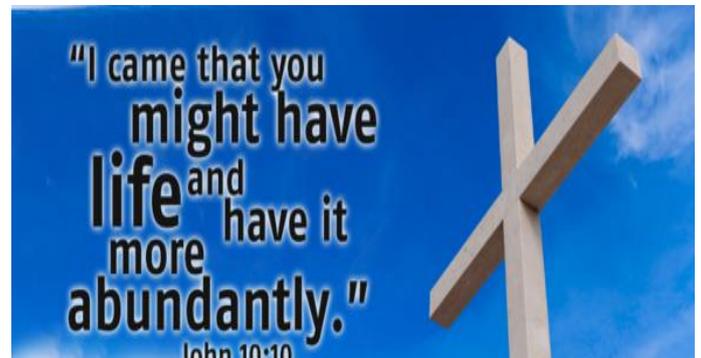
May God's blessing be upon you now;
May you know of his great love for you.
May God's blessing be upon you now,
Right where you are.

Let us go in peace
to love and serve the Lord
In the name of Christ, Amen

**Please stay
for chat outside!**

St Michael's Church, Aldbourne INFORMAL MORNING WORSHIP

26TH SEPTEMBER 2021



*The parts in plain bold type
are for all to say.*

We are made welcome:

Praise God who loves us.
Praise God who cares.

We light the Sparklers candle,
and we sing:

God is here with us, God is in the light,
Now there is no dark,
Candles burning bright.

We pray together:

Lord, as we come to worship you today,
we thank you for your generous love
for your world. We thank you
for coming to bring us new life
and to teach us how to live.
Help us to love you and each other,
and help us to learn together today
how we can show our love for you
in the way we respond to your call. Amen

We sing together:

Hymn 57 – Awake, awake fling off the night