

North Cornwall Cluster

Mothering Sunday

22nd March 2020



William Dyce- St John leading his adopted mother

From the cross, Jesus entrusted his Mother to the disciple whom he loves. On Mothering Sunday we remember those entrusted to us.

Welcome

Welcome in the name of Christ.
God's grace, mercy and peace be with you.
And also with you.

Notices

Opening Responses

In your hands you would hide us
Mothering God

In your hands you would shelter us
Mothering God

In your hands you would warm us
Mothering God

In your hands you would nurture us
Mothering God

Hymn 987 Here is Love

Here is love vast as the ocean,
loving kindness as the flood,
when the Prince of life, our ransom,
shed for us His precious blood.

Who His love will not remember;
who can cease to sing His praise?
He can never be forgotten
throughout heaven's eternal days.

On the mount of crucifixion
fountains opened deep and wide;
through the floodgates of God's mercy
flowed a vast and gracious tide.

Grace and love, like mighty rivers
poured incessant from above;
and heaven's peace and perfect justice
kissed a guilty world in love.

Saying sorry and being forgiven

As we come to God today, we know that we are not perfect. We make mistakes and do and say things that we know are wrong, so let's take a moment to ask for God's forgiveness and peace.

Mothering God, you love us as good parents love their children.

When we have not been loving towards you or to others: **Forgive us.**

When we have been unkind to our family, friends and others: **Forgive us.**

When we have been reluctant or slow to be helpful: **Forgive us.**

Lord, forgive us for those things
we have done wrong and help us to be
better people in the future.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Reading: John 19:25-27

Short Talk

Hymn 1261 Brother Sister

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

We are pilgrims on a journey,
fellow travellers on the road;
we are here to help each other
walk the mile and bear the load.

I will hold the Christ-light for you
in the night-time of your fear;
I will hold my hand out to you,
speak the peace you long to hear.

I will weep when you are weeping;
when you laugh I'll laugh with you;
I will share your joy and sorrow
till we've seen this journey through.

When we sing to God in heaven
we shall find such harmony,
born of all we've known together
of Christ's love and agony.

Brother, sister, let me serve you,
let me be as Christ to you;
pray that I may have the grace to
let you be my servant too.

Declaring our faith

Let us declare our faith in God.

**We believe in God the Father, from whom
every family in heaven and on earth is
named.**

**We believe in God the Son, who lives in
our hearts through faith, and fills us with
his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit, who
strengthens us with power from on high.**

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

Prayers

Lord in your mercy: **hear our 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.**

Blessing

Mothering God, you watch your children
grow: **Give us strength for the day.**

Mothering God, you teach us what is true:
Give us hope for the day.

Mothering God, you give us what we need:
Give us our trust for the day.

Mothering God, you send us out in love:
Give us compassion for the day.

The God of hope fill us with all joy and
peace in believing; and the blessing of God
almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy
Spirit, be among us and remain with us
always. **Amen.**