

## Agape

*A form of service for use with people unable  
to attend Church.*

Peace to this house, and to all who live here.

### **Introduction.**

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

All. **Amen.**

Lord Jesus, you said that wherever two or three are gathered in your name you are there in the midst of them. Help us to be aware of your presence with us now.

**Amen.**

'If I rise on the wings of the morning

**If I settle on the far side of the sea,**

even there your right hand will guide me,

**your right hand will hold me fast.**

Search me, O God and know my heart;

**test me and know my anxious thought.**

See if there is any offensive way in me,

**and lead me in the way that is everlasting.'**

### *Confession*

**Most merciful God, we confess to you before the whole company of heaven, and one another, that we have sinned in thought, word and deed and in what we have failed to do. Forgive us our sins, heal us by your Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ. Amen.**

*Absolution*

Almighty God, have mercy on us,  
forgive us our sins, and keep us in life eternal.

**Amen**

*Collect of the day, or this)*

God of all care and compassion, awaken us to your  
presence, alert us to your love, affirm us in your peace,  
open to us your way, reveal to us your joy, enfold us in  
your light, for our hearts are ready, Lord, our hearts are  
ready.

**Amen**

*Reading(s) from Scripture.*

*Prayers of Intercession*

Loving Lord, we pray for our country, and for the world  
you have made, with all its divisions.

*(Pause: Insert any specific needs)*

**Lord, heal our brokenness.**

Loving Lord, we lift to you the disunity of your Church.

*(Pause)*

**Lord, heal our brokenness**

Loving Lord, we thank you for our families, all those we  
love.

**Lord, bless us and heal us.**

Loving Lord, we pray for those who are sick or suffering  
in any way. May they know your healing presence. *(Pause)*

## **Lord, heal their brokenness**

Loving Lord, we pray for those who have died.

Give us grace to trust in your promises that we may share with them in your kingdom.

**Merciful Father accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen**

*The Laying on of hands with prayer may follow.*

*The Lord's Prayer.*

As our Saviour has taught us, so we pray:

**Our Father who art in heaven,**

**hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.**

**Amen**

*The Sharing*

Loving Lord, we bring gifts, fruit of the earth and water from the well.. You promised the Samaritan woman living water that would well up to eternal life.

As we share this biscuit, as we taste this fruit, as we pour out this water, we thank you Lord for our daily bread, for the food which delights and nourishes us and for companionship which sustains us.

We thank you too for clean cool water with which to

quench our thirst, and for the Living Water with which you surprise and enrich and transform our lives.

Lord, bless this food, bless us in your service and fill us with your Holy Spirit. Amen

As we break this bread, we remember that Christ died for us.

**Though we are many, we are one body, because we share this one bread.**

Let us taste and see that the Lord is good.

And let us feed on Him in our hearts by faith with thanksgiving.

*Prayer (After the Sharing)*

As we share this food and drink, we thank God for feeding us. Strengthen us in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

**Amen**

(Visit this house we pray you Lord;  
drive far from it all the snares of the enemy; may your holy angels dwell with us and guard us in peace; and may your blessing be always upon us. Amen)

Let us share with one another a sign of peace.

The grace.