

A Short Act of Worship for Sunday 30 May (Trinity)

Alleluia, alleluia. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, one God, who was, and who is, and who is to come, the Almighty. Alleluia!

Father, we adore you, lay our lives before you: how we love you!

Jesus, we adore you, lay our lives before you: how we love you!

Spirit, we adore you, lay our lives before you: how we love you!

‘How often have I longed to gather your children, as a hen gathers her brood under her wings,’ says the Lord, ‘but you would not come to me.’ Let us as wayward children return to God and confess our sins.

A pause for reflection ...

Father, you come to meet us when we return to you: Lord, have mercy.

Jesus, you died on the cross for our sins: Christ, have mercy.

Spirit, you give us life and peace: Lord, have mercy.

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. Amen.

God's Word:

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: ‘Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory.’

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: ‘Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!’

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: ‘Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.’ Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?’ And I said, ‘Here am I; send me!’

(Isaiah 6: 1-8)

*Father, Lord of earth and heaven, King to whom all gifts belong,
Give Your greatest Gift, Your Spirit, God the Holy, God the Strong.*

*Son of God, enthroned in glory, Send Your promised Gift of grace,
Make Your Church Your Holy Temple, God the Spirit's dwelling place.*

*Spirit, come, in peace descending As at Jordan, heavenly Dove,
Seal Your Church as God's anointed, Set our hearts on fire with love.*

*Stay among us God the Father, Stay among us God the Son,
Stay among us Holy Spirit: Dwell within us, make us one.*

