

**Benefice of Sarratt and Chipperfield  
Holy Cross, Sarratt and  
St Paul's, Chipperfield**

**MORNING SERVICE**

**ORDINARY TIME**

Circle me, Lord.  
Keep protection near  
And danger afar.

Circle me, Lord  
Keep hope within.  
Keep doubt without.

Circle me, Lord.  
Keep light near  
And darkness afar.

Circle me, Lord.  
Keep peace within.  
Keep evil out.

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## Preparation

*Organ voluntary*

*Please stand*

## Welcome

Grace, mercy and peace  
from God our Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ  
be with you

*All:* **and also with you.**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

*All:* **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Words of welcome or introduction may be said; a hymn may be sung*

## Opening Prayer

*All:* **Almighty God,  
your Son has opened for us  
a new and living way into your presence.  
Give us new hearts and constant wills  
to worship you in spirit and in truth;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen.**

## Prayers of Penitence

The gospel calls us to turn away from sin  
and be faithful to Christ.  
As we offer ourselves to him in penitence and faith,  
we renew our confidence and trust in his mercy.

*We pause in silence, sit or kneel*

*All:*     **Most merciful God,  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
we confess that we have sinned  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart.  
We have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.  
In your mercy  
forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may do justly, love mercy,  
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen.**

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

*All:*     **Amen**

The Word

**Readings**

*At the end the reader may say:*

This is the Word of the Lord.

*All:*     **Thanks be to God.**

*A hymn is sung*

**Gospel Reading**

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to *N*

*All:*     **Glory to you, O Lord.**

*At the end*

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

*All:* **Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please sit*

**Sermon**

**Profession of Faith**

*We stand for the Profession of Faith*

Let us affirm, together our common faith in Jesus Christ.

*All:* **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.**

*We sit or kneel to pray*

**The Prayers**

**Intercessions**

*This response may be used:*

*All:* Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

*At the end*

Lord of the Church,  
*All:* **hear our prayer,  
and make us one in heart and mind  
to serve you with joy for ever.  
Amen.**

**Collect**

Let us pray

*Silence is kept. The Collect is read and all respond*

*All:* **Amen.**

**The Lord's Prayer**

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

*All:* **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.**

**Offering**

*We offer our gifts to God, a hymn may be sung*

*Notices and Banns*

Sending Out

*A hymn or song(s) may be sung.*

**Closing Prayer**

*All:*     **Eternal God,  
our beginning and our end,  
accompany us in this day's journey.  
Dawn on our darkness,  
open our eyes to praise you for your creation  
and to see the work you set before us today.  
Take us and use us  
to bring to others the new life you give in Jesus Christ  
Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

*All:*     **Thanks be to God.**

*Organ Voluntary*

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