The Lord's Prayer Our Father in heaven...

StF 15:The Splendour Of The King www.voutube.com/watch?v=KBD18rsVJHk

The splendour of the King, clothed in majesty: let all the earth rejoice, let all the earth rejoice. He wraps himself in light and darkness tries to hide. and trembles at his voice. and trembles at his voice.

How great is our God, sing with me, how great is our God, and all will see how great, how great is our God.

And age to age he stands, and time is in his hands; beginning and the end, beginning and the end. The Godhead, Three in One. Father, Spirit, Son, the Lion and the Lamb, the Lion and the Lamb.

How great is our God, sing with me, how great is our God, and all will see how great, how great is our God.

Name above all names. worthy of all praise; my heart will sing: how great is our God. Name above all names, worthy of all praise; my heart will sing:

How great is our God, sing with me, how great is our God, and all will see how great, how great is our God.

> Chris Tomlin (b. 1972), Ed Cash and Jesse Reeves

A prayer of blessing

based on Romans 15:13 May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit; and the Blessing of God, the Holy Three-in-One, be with you, and all those whom you love, and all those who love you, today and always. Amen.

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"God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit." Sunday 7th June 2020 - Trinity Sunday Revd Tony & Cathy Morling

This short act of worship has been prepared for you to use as you are unable to attend church. If you are well enough why not spend a few moments with God, knowing that other people are sharing this act of worship with you.

Call to Worship

Father God, Holy Three-in-One, We join with the saints on earth and in heaven as we bring our worship to you. Come and meet us now by your Holy Spirit, and gather our dispersed voices into one single church of praise. In Jesus' name, Amen.

StF 011: Holy, Holy, Holy Sing/Read/pray/proclaim the words or listen to it here www.voutube.com/watch?v=JwuDSw-9cUO

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee: holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three Persons. blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee. casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea; cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee, who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! - Though the darkness hide thee, though the sinful human eye thy glory may not see, only thou art holy; there is none beside thee. perfect in power, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty! All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea; holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty, God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!

Let us pray together

Eternal God, We worship you, creator and sustainer of the universe, and we praise you for the gifts of life, health and strength.

Lord Jesus.
We worship you, Saviour and
Lord of the world, and we
praise you that you have found
us, washed us, forgiven us and
given us a place in your
church.

Holy Spirit, We worship you, sanctifier of the people of God, and we praise you that you have renewed us and blessed us with your gifts. Amen.

Today's Gospel Reading: Matthew 3:13-17

>>> Time to Reflect

How do you explain the Christian doctrine of the Trinity to a child?

The answer is that you don't - there's no need!

Of course, it's correct that the word 'Trinity' can't be found in the Bible. That's because it is a summary of the whole of Scripture. It's about trying to

capture in a simple way the mystery and awe of passages like our Gospel reading today. In that passage which describes Jesus's baptism there is an expression of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit acting together: The Son is baptised, the Father says, 'This is my beloved Son', & the Holy Spirit descends.

Similarly, at the end of Matthew's Gospel the disciples are commissioned to baptise in the, 'name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit'.

It would seem that the early church began naturally to speak of God being known in three ways and yet being one.

How do you picture God?

I'm sure it varies widely according to context: through Scripture, through Jesus, through God's Spirit in us. God reveals the God-self to the world through the church; through people like you and me. We even (especially?) see something of what God is like through the eyes of a child. In your baptism, you were baptised as Jesus commanded, in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

You didn't need to hold a master's degree in Systematic Theology to understand that. As we grew up, we simply needed to know that this mysterious God is love, that we are loved, and that God loves us all in many ways: and specifically through his love shown as Father, his extravagant incarnate love shown in Jesus, and through the Spirit's abiding presence. In response we are invited to know that love, share that love- with no strings attached. It's so easy, a child could get it.

Take a time to sit quietly

A time of prayer:

Father, in whom we live.

In whom we are, and move, Glory and power and praise receive of thy creating love.

We pray for your church throughout the world, continually exploring new ways to be in fellowship and to offer worship. Unite us by your creative power across earthly boundaries of time and space to bring you our united voices of praise and glory.

Incarnate deity, Let all the ransomed race Render in thanks their lives to thee, for thy redeeming grace.

We pray for all those who have revealed Christ to us in past months. For key workers, carers, intercessors and strangers - we give you our thanks, and pray that we in our turn might reveal Christ to our neighbour too.

Spirit of holiness, Let all thy saints adore Thy sacred energy, and bless Thy heart-renewing power.

We pray for all those who need the comfort of your Holy Spirit today. The lonely, the anxious, the bereaved; the sick, the distressed, the dying; those facing difficult decisions and those forced to make new beginnings - bring your peace to them.

Eternal, triune Lord! Let all the hosts above, Let all the sons of men, record And dwell upon thy love.

We bring all our prayers to you, O God our Father, in the name of Jesus and in the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

This week's intercessions based on the hymn (StF No. 5) by Charles Wesley (1707-1788)