﻿**Order of Morning Prayer**

**The Prophet Isaiah.**

**Opening sentence**......The earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord

 as the waters cover the sea. Isaiah 11.9

Let us pray:

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of hosts, the whole earth is full of your glory

and we bless you, for you are the Holy and Eternal One inhabiting the centre of life.

From you the earth comes forth and all that moves upon it; from your mystery the

heavens unfold and the lights of the skies shine; from your vitality flow the depths

of the seas, the waters and creatures of the deep. You are the first and the last,

O God, the beginning and the end. By you we have been made, from your substance we have been formed, and to you we sing our praise.

Holy, holy, holy ! Let the sea roar and all that fills it, let the morning dance and all that it

awakens, for we celebrate your glory as here among us in the great temple of creation.

Lord have mercy upon us.

Christ have mercy upon us.

Lord have mercy upon us.

**Gospel reading**.....St.Matthew 6 . 1-6 and 16-18.

**A SONG OF COMFORT**

Sing for joy, O Heavens, and exult, O earth;

Break forth, O mountains, into singing !

For the Lord has comforted his people,

and will have compassion on his suffering ones.

But Zion said , ‘The Lord has forsaken me, my Lord has forgotten me.’

Can a woman forget her nursing child, or show no compassion for the child

in her womb ?

Even these may forget, yet I will not forget you, says the Lord.

Isaiah 49.

**Moments of silence.**

**PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING & INTERCESSION**

O Holy One, above and beyond, whose ways and thoughts are great like the

heights of the heavens above the earth, we give thanks that you are also God with us.

For the things of your Spirit hidden in the depths of the human soul and for the

wellsprings of salvation deep in life’s landscape from which in every place and every

time we may draw strength, we offer thanks.

For ourselves, for our loved ones, and for all people where the earth lies polluted,

where cities are battered, and nations torn apart, we pray, O God, in sure conviction

that you do not will one of these to be hurt or destroyed in all your creation. Amen.

**THE PIECE FOR CONVERSATION**

**CLOSING PRAYER**

Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm feeble knees.

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, Be strong, do not fear !

Here is your God. He will come with vengeance and save you.

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped.

Then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert.

Isaiah 35.

The Blessing of God, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,

be upon us, now and always. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

In the name of Christ. Amen.

From.....An Earthful of Glory......Philip Newell.