

Let us pray

Almighty God

We join together once more to worship you

We may be scattered around the town or even the country,

We may be praying at different times,

But wherever we are

And whatever time it is

We feel the whole of your church with us

As we pray

For yours is the hand and purpose that calls us to prayer.

And so we worship you.

We offer you our praise

As you inspire us once more.

Mighty God

We do imagine that we are open to those around us,

But in reality there are times when we are not.

Our attitudes are coloured by so many preconceptions

Which make us pass judgement without even realising we do so.

For give us when our minds are closed to others that dare to challenge our views.

Help us to see that the truth is far bigger than any of us can grasp alone.

Teach us to be open to all the ways you are at work

And everything that we can learn from the experiences of others.

Help us sweep away the bias that can so dominate our lives

And in doing so help us to grasp the height, length depth and breadth

Of your purpose which transcends all our expectations.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reding wit you and the holy Spirit one God for ever,

Amen.