

Loving God

Thank you for welcoming us into your presence once more

We are still,
quiet

Here in your presence

And On this holy ground

In this place of joy, truth and hope

We can rest knowing we belong.

Thank you that when you welcome us

You transform us

We hear your words

Words that encourage and challenge us

Words that forgive us and reveal to us

the depth of your love

that love

shown to us

when your son spread his arms

and hung his head on a cross

in our place and for us.

Loving, healing God

In all our busyness

Help us to know when just to stop

And feel your gifts

Gifts that soothe us

And strengthen us

And urge us to share your love with those we meet.

And in all our quietness, Lord

Those times when we sit

still in your presence

We receive gifts beyond our imagination too

Help us to know the gifts that cherish us

And nurture us

Gifts that strengthen us to act

As you reveal to us the person we were meant to be.

We pray for those we know whose life is always a

Rush just to get things done.

Hear our pleas as we name them silently to you now.

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break through their busyness

and give your peace to them all.

We pray for all whose work just fills their minds

And those who have so much to be anxious about
That they can think of nothing else
Break through their busyness or anxiety too
And give them peace.

Lord around the world
There are those whose busyness
Is just about ensuring their family survives another day
Break through their busyness
And give your peace to them.

Touch those who bring aid to the needy of this world
Encourage those who belong to the guild as they help
Build fellowship here but all over the world too.
Give your special peace to all those who need it.

Loving Lord
As always there are those in our community
Who are sad this morning
Those who miss a familiar face
wait for a test result
or long for a phone call from a distant loved one.
Break through their sorrow
Give your peace
And teach us all how to relax in your strengthening
presence.

Loving Lord
We thank you too
For the memories of all who taught us about your
To those who first revealed to us your stories
Of just how to be a neighbour to those we meet.
Help us to follow in their footsteps
Such that when the time is right
We may rest with them
In your glory
Praising you with your whole church
Through your Son
Jesus Christ
Who taught us when we pray to say....

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.
Save us from the time of trial,

And deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
And the glory are yours
Now and forever.
Amen.