

He will not return to me fruitless, but He will accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed in the task I gave Him.

Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near. (based on Isaiah 55:6-11)

The Lord's Prayer:

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses  
as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the Kingdom, the power and the glory  
for ever and ever. Amen.

A Prayer for Hope that is Christmas:

To us a Saviour is born, who is Christ  
the Lord. Let all of heaven now sing,  
Gory to God in the highest.



Lord Jesus, your birth at Bethlehem  
draws us to kneel in wonder at heaven touching earth:  
accept our heartfelt praise. Be for us a living hope that  
lightens our hearts, and my Your Light always shine forth  
in our lives. Amen (based on Church of England Prayers)

You can listen to the "Daily Blog," where we are looking at the  
Christmas story in greater depth during these times:

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[www.newcreationchurches.org.uk](http://www.newcreationchurches.org.uk)



**A short service of Daily Prayer during the  
forty days of Christmas to Candlemas (week  
of 2<sup>nd</sup> Feb) for Church at Home.**



*This is now the forth offering to support and help people in  
their prayer life during this time while we are being "Church at  
Home." It tries to pick up and share many of the old words  
and prayers associated with Christmas and of living life in the  
knowledge and experience of Jesus born among us.*

*You will need a candle to light as part of the worship. You will  
also need your Prayer Diary and a Bible to hand (alt. Bible  
readings can also be found online at "Biblegateway.com").*

An opening prayer: *Lighting a candle, we share a simple prayer of thanksgiving...*

**Blessed are you, Sovereign God, our Light and our salvation, to You be glory and praise for ever. To dispel the darkness of our night you sent forth your Son, the first born of all creation, to be the Christ, the Light of the world. Rejoicing in the mystery of the Word made flesh, we acclaim Jesus as Emmanuel, as with all creation we sing to You, heavenly Father, in songs of thanks of thanksgiving and praise. Amen.**



Praying for each other as a Church Community:

**As we rejoice then in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for You; now and forever. Amen.**

*You may wish to pause for a moment to remember other members of your Church at Home group, your Church, and members of your family before God wherever they may be...*

Listening to God's word (based on Dwelling in His Word):

*The Psalm, and the Bible Readings for each day can be found in your Prayer Diary.*



*We continue the Practice we began way back in Lent... Try and read the Scriptures for the day slowly, letting the words of each reading breathe. Pause between each reading to see what God may be saying, either in a word, a phrase, a thought or a question, letting it lift off the page and speak to you. Try and trust it, stay with it, and see what it might mean to you.*

A time of Prayer for others and ourselves:

*Praying your Prayer Diary – each day there is an entry. Take time to offer things to God that are on your mind either from the news or your own worries or concerns.*



*A prayer for each other and those in need during these times...*

**Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in these times of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen. (Church of England Prayer)**

A Prayer of thanksgiving for the enormity of Jesus coming among us:



**Seek the Lord while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near...**

**Return to the Lord, who will have mercy; to our God, who will richly pardon. 'For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,' declares the Lord. 'For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts. As the rain and the snow come down from above, and return not again but water the earth, bringing forth life and giving growth, seed for sowing and bread to eat, so is my Word that goes forth from my mouth;**

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