

God of all creation,

I'm needing some comfort right now. My heart is breaking. I've lost my loved one. My life feels kind of strange, all upside down.

My words feel like they have no strength, I have lost my confidence.

Some days I wake up and for a moment I feel happy to be alive, but this is always followed by a deep guilt for having those thoughts and I sink again.

Sorrow has kind of become a friend, a companion - ever present.

My prayer to you is that you will help grief do its work in me, and when it is done I pray that the wound of loss will heal.

I want one day to welcome these memories without this depth of pain. To welcome thoughts of my loved one with a small smile, with love.

Please God, help me heal. Amen

Prayer To Guide My Thoughts

Mighty God, The devil uses our difficult times to distance us from you, but God, nothing can separate us from the love you have for us. Not hard times; not heights; not depths; nothing; because you are the God of love. I know that you are with me and you will never forsake me. Guide my thoughts and my actions. Even though I am weary, I know that your grace and your strength will keep going. I am not giving up for you are at my side. Amen.

Rev Kingsley Yeboah



ST LAURENCE EASTWOOD

'I want to know Jesus Christ and the power of His resurrection'

Philippians 3 v 10



**The frosty weather makes simple plants look beautiful.
All pictures welcome in portrait please**

Sunday January 10th 2021

Baptism of Christ

10.30am Family Communion

*Crown Him with many crowns
I heard the voice of Jesus say
Hail to the Lord's anointed
God is working his purpose out*

Readings

Genesis 1: 1-5
Acts 19: 1-7
Mark 1: 4-11

Collect

*Eternal Father,
who at the baptism of Jesus
revealed him to be your Son,
anointing him with the Holy Spirit:
grant to us, who are born again by water
and the Spirit,
that we may be faithful to our calling as
your adopted children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. Amen*

This week we are praying for

- Aldrin Way
- Church Cleaners
- Concorde House, Comet Way
- STOREHOUSE
- Midweek Communion
- Cheryl and Holley Barwell, Hall Managers
- Cherry Orchard Country Park



Is this the socially distanced version for Baptism in the future?

STOREHOUSE

Please continue to support Storehouse by providing what you can. We will arrange to pick things up or bags can be dropped in our porch anytime.

They need our help.

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ON-LINE SERVICES

Sunday 10.30am Family Communion

Tuesday morning Sermon on the Go

Thursday 9.15am Midweek Communion

These services should be available on Facebook and YouTube