

The service will start soon, so do take this opportunity to talk or chat via text.

When we get to the first hymn music we will mute everyone's microphones, to avoid unexpected sounds during the service.

Please consider leaving your video live during the service, if you're comfortable doing so. It is good to see each others' faces as we worship.

# Sibyls' Service

Monday 25<sup>th</sup>  
July 2022

St James' Day

Psalm 107.1-22



WELCOME: OUR THEME IS

"LET THE REDEEMED OF THE LORD TELL THEIR STORY"

TAKEN FROM

PSALM 107 1-22 , WHICH YOU MIGHT LIKE TO LOOK UP.

I HAVE CHOSEN WHAT IN THE COFE WE CALL 'ORDER 2 IN CONTEMPORARY LANGUAGE'  
FOR IT LENDS ITSELF NICELY TO SHARING OUR FOOD AND DRINK, ON-LINE AS TODAY'S NEEDS  
DICTATE

THE C OF E IS WHERE I COME FROM, SO I WANT TO SHARE THE LITURGY WITH YOU, TOO  
IT'S MAINSTREAM: FOR WE ARE NOT HIDDEN IN A NICHE...

...AND I DELIGHT IN ADAPTING TRADITIONAL INHERITANCE OF WORDS TO THE NEEDS OF THE  
MOMENT – THIS MOMENT. ONE PRACTICAL POINT: PAULINE WILL KINDLY SAY THE RESPONSES IN  
BOLD AND YOU MIGHT LIKE TO DO SO FROM BEHIND YOUR OWN MUTED MICROPHONES, TOO.

THANKS TO ST MARTIN IN THE FIELDS FOR THEIR FREELY GIVEN MUSIC. AND TO MARTIN WARD WHO  
WILL READ THE PSALM.

A SECOND PRACTICAL POINT: YOU ARE INVITED TO HAVE A CUP, MAYBE OF WINE OR WATER; AND A  
PLATE, MAYBE OF BREAD OR YOUR SUPPER, CLOSE TO HAND FOR LATER IN THE SERVICE, WHEN WE  
WILL SHARE THE SIMPLE ACTS OF EATING AND DRINKING, TOGETHER IN LOVE.

So...

LET US BE SILENT FOR A MOMENT BEFORE WE START WITH OUR FIRST HYMN

**Seek ye first the kingdom of God**

*sung by St Martin's Voices*

1 Seek ye first the kingdom of God,  
and His righteousness,  
and all these things shall be added unto you.  
Allelu, alleluia.



2 Ask and it shall be given unto you,  
seek and ye shall find;  
knock and the door shall be opened up to you.  
Allelu, alleluia.

# Seek ye first the kingdom of God

*sung by St Martin's Voices*

3 We shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word  
that proceeds from the mouth of God.  
Allelu, alleluia.

*Karen Lafferty (born 1948)*

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## PRAYER OF PREPARATION

Almighty God,  
to whom all hearts are open,  
all desires known,  
and from whom no secrets are hidden:  
cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
that we may perfectly love you,  
and worthily magnify your holy name;  
through Christ our Lord.

*All* **Amen.**

## The Collect

Merciful God,  
whose holy apostle Saint James,  
leaving his father and all that he had,  
was obedient to the calling of your Son Jesus Christ  
and followed him even to death:  
help us, forsaking the false attractions of the world,  
to be ready at all times to answer your call without delay;  
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.

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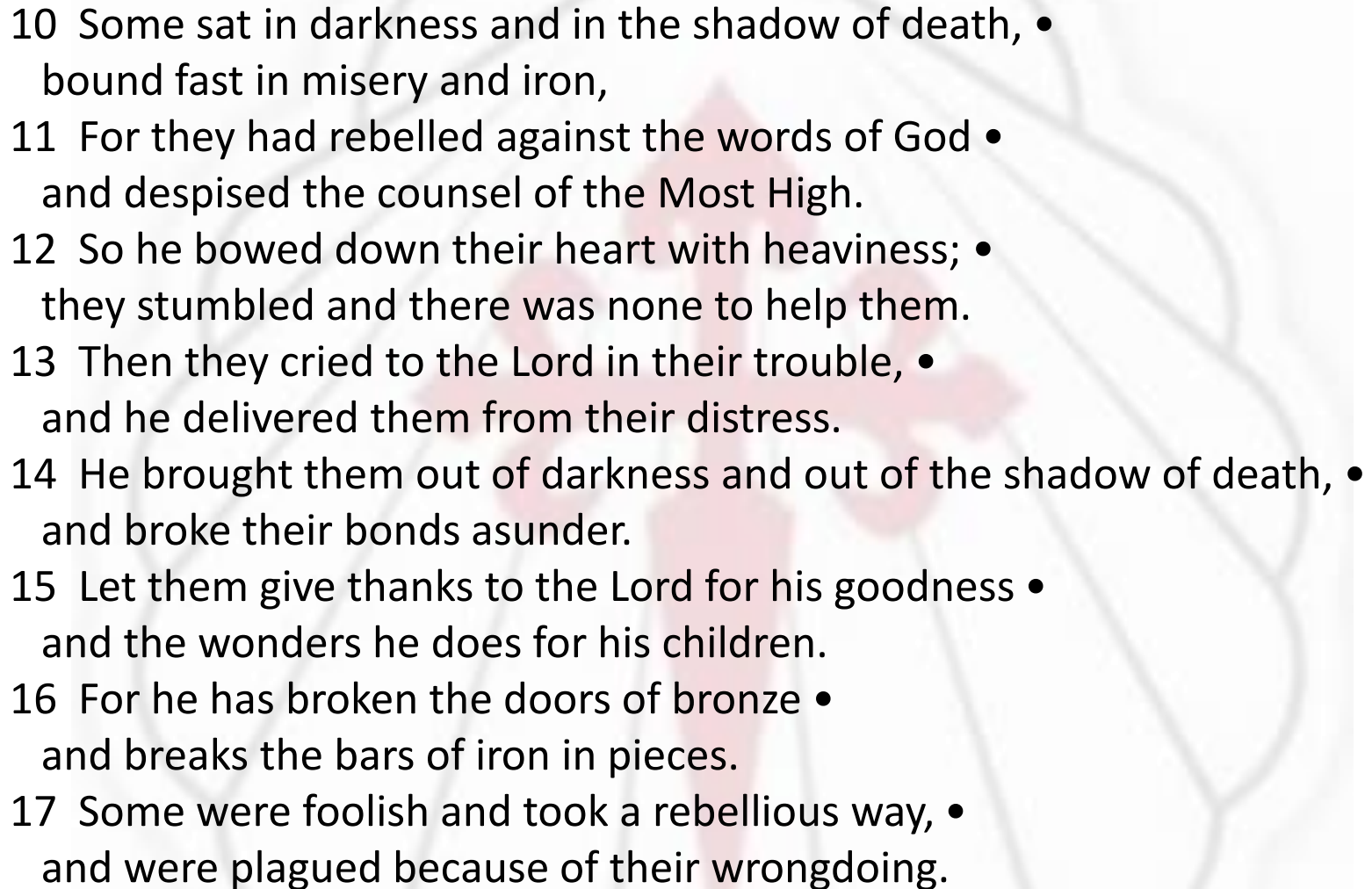
**Amen**

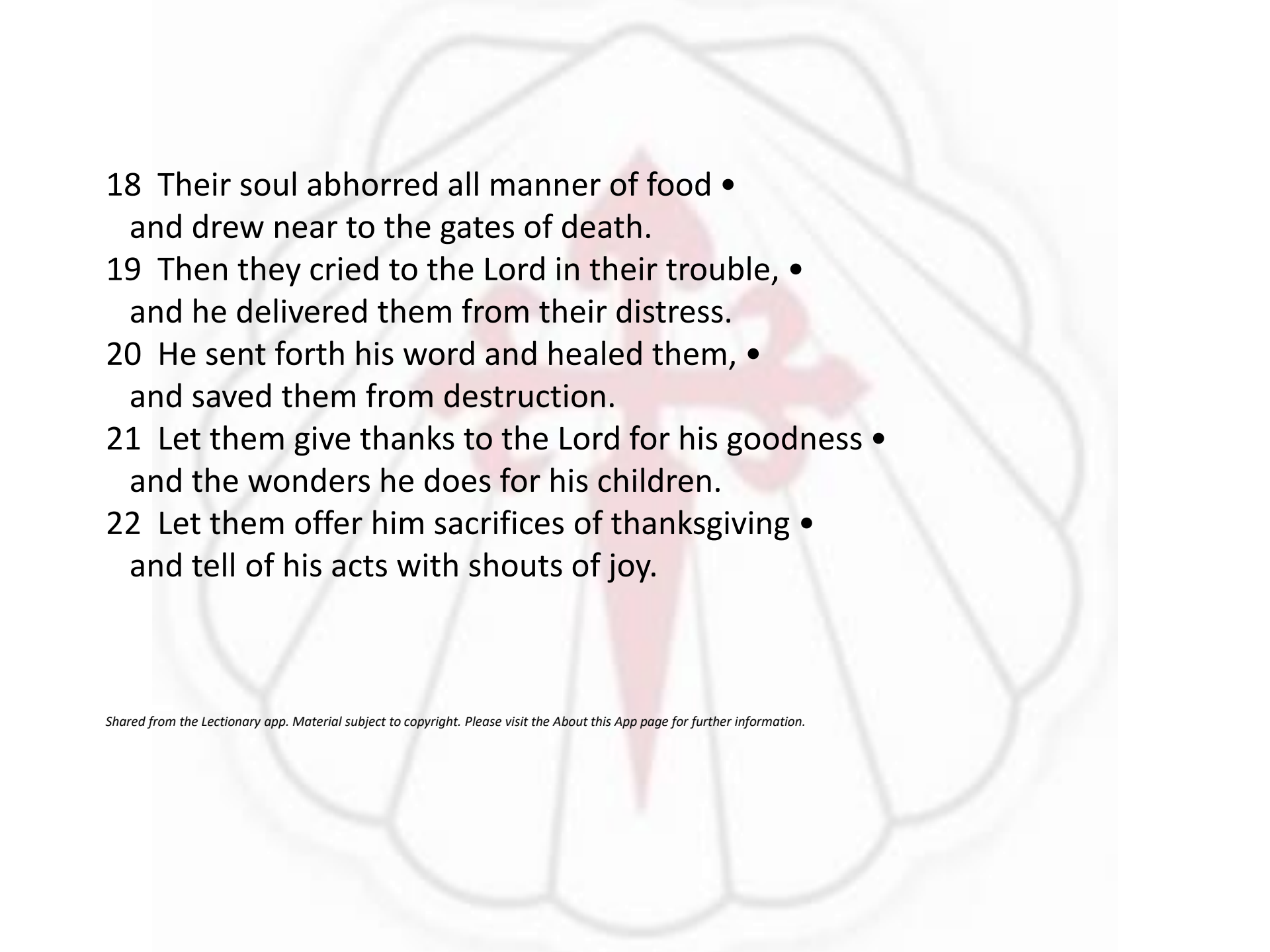


## PSALM 107.1-22 (MARTIN WARD – THREE SLIDES)

- 1 O give thanks to the Lord, for he is gracious, •  
for his steadfast love endures for ever.
- 2 Let the redeemed of the Lord say this, •  
those he redeemed from the hand of the enemy,
- 3 And gathered out of the lands  
from the east and from the west, •  
from the north and from the south.
- 4 Some went astray in desert wastes •  
and found no path to a city to dwell in.
- 5 Hungry and thirsty, •  
their soul was fainting within them.
- 6 So they cried to the Lord in their trouble •  
and he delivered them from their distress.
- 7 He set their feet on the right way •  
till they came to a city to dwell in.
- 8 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his goodness •  
and the wonders he does for his children.
- 9 For he satisfies the longing soul •  
and fills the hungry soul with good.

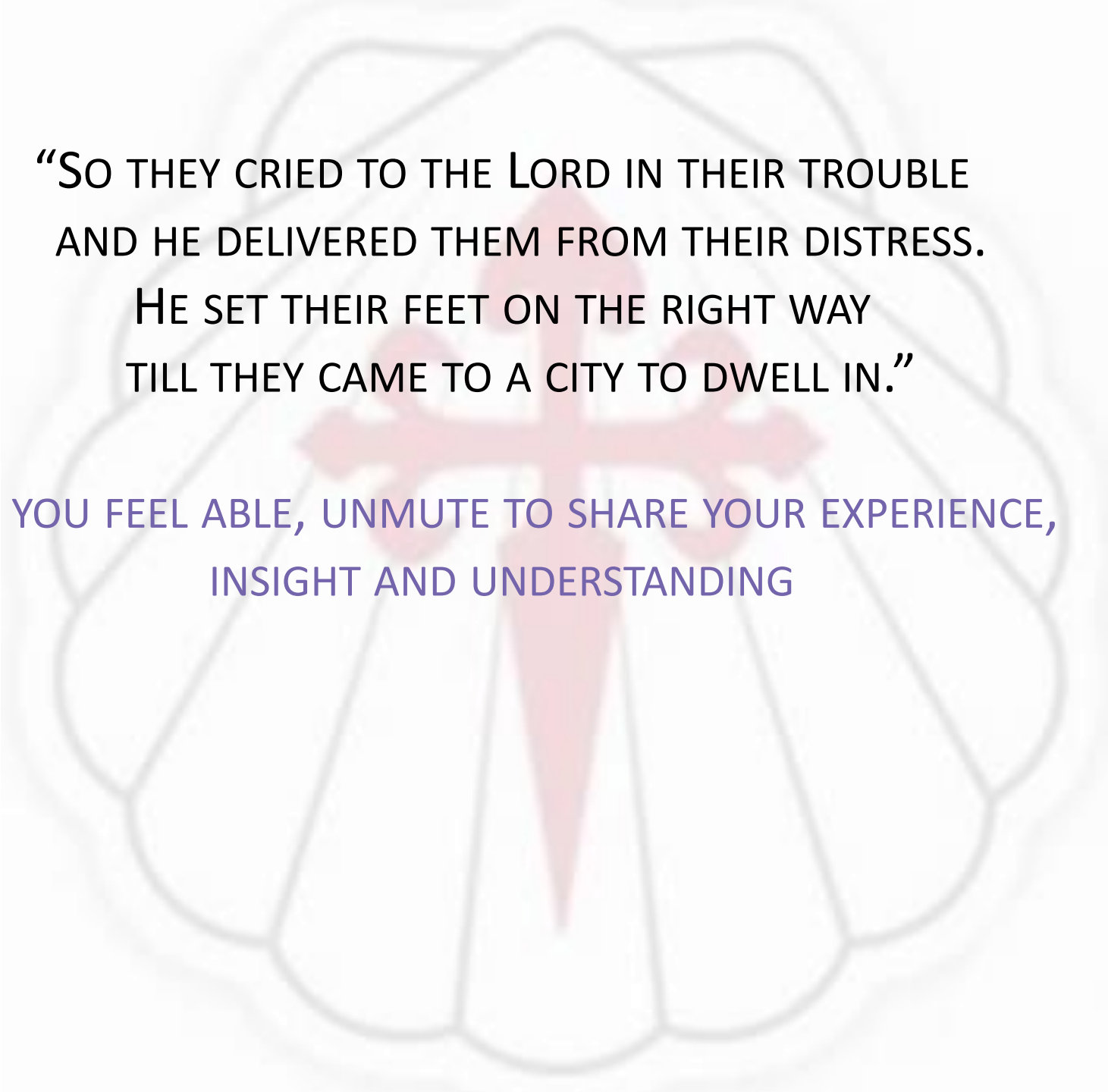


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- 10 Some sat in darkness and in the shadow of death, •  
bound fast in misery and iron,
- 11 For they had rebelled against the words of God •  
and despised the counsel of the Most High.
- 12 So he bowed down their heart with heaviness; •  
they stumbled and there was none to help them.
- 13 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, •  
and he delivered them from their distress.
- 14 He brought them out of darkness and out of the shadow of death, •  
and broke their bonds asunder.
- 15 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his goodness •  
and the wonders he does for his children.
- 16 For he has broken the doors of bronze •  
and breaks the bars of iron in pieces.
- 17 Some were foolish and took a rebellious way, •  
and were plagued because of their wrongdoing.

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- 18 Their soul abhorred all manner of food •  
and drew near to the gates of death.
- 19 Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble, •  
and he delivered them from their distress.
- 20 He sent forth his word and healed them, •  
and saved them from destruction.
- 21 Let them give thanks to the Lord for his goodness •  
and the wonders he does for his children.
- 22 Let them offer him sacrifices of thanksgiving •  
and tell of his acts with shouts of joy.



REFLECTION



“SO THEY CRIED TO THE LORD IN THEIR TROUBLE  
AND HE DELIVERED THEM FROM THEIR DISTRESS.  
HE SET THEIR FEET ON THE RIGHT WAY  
TILL THEY CAME TO A CITY TO DWELL IN.”

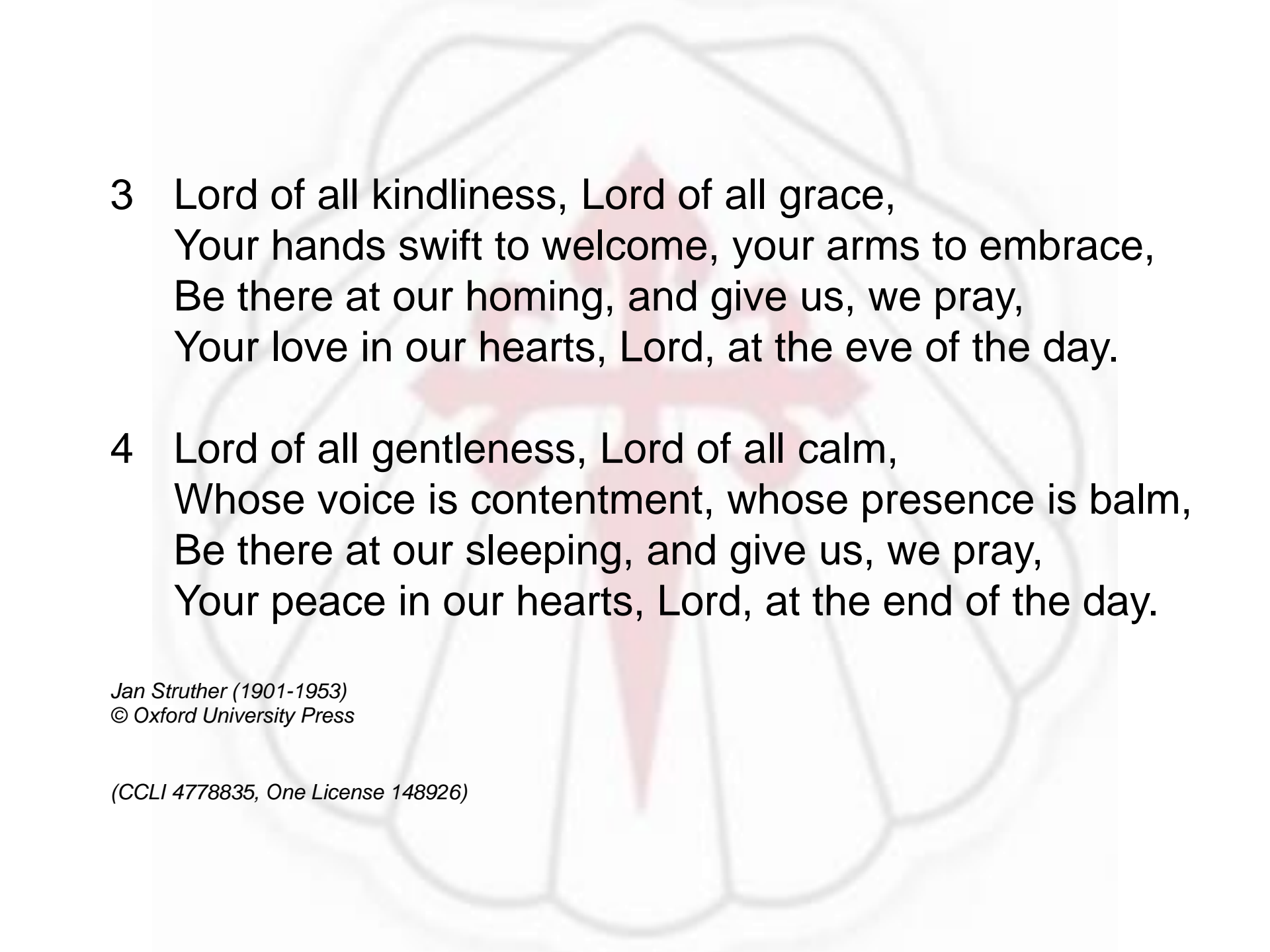
AS YOU FEEL ABLE, UNMUTE TO SHARE YOUR EXPERIENCE,  
INSIGHT AND UNDERSTANDING

## **Lord of all hopefulness**

*sung by St Martin's Voices*

- 1 Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy,  
Whose trust, ever child-like, no care could destroy,  
Be there at our waking, and give us, we pray,  
Your bliss in our hearts, Lord, at the break of the day.
  
- 2 Lord of all eagerness, Lord of all faith,  
Whose strong hands were skilled at the plane and the lathe,  
Be there at our labours, and give us, we pray,  
Your strength in our hearts, Lord, at the noon of the day.



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- 3 Lord of all kindness, Lord of all grace,  
Your hands swift to welcome, your arms to embrace,  
Be there at our homing, and give us, we pray,  
Your love in our hearts, Lord, at the eve of the day.
- 4 Lord of all gentleness, Lord of all calm,  
Whose voice is contentment, whose presence is balm,  
Be there at our sleeping, and give us, we pray,  
Your peace in our hearts, Lord, at the end of the day.

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# OPEN PRAYER

Let us give thanks to the Lord for his goodness  
and the wonders he does for his children. Ps 107

We bring before God our thanks and our needs...

Let's unmute ourselves and share words, names or  
sentences of praise, to ask God for help, or for  
remembering before God. At the end I will close with the  
words on the screen 'Lord in your mercy' ....

UNMUTE

Lord in your mercy

**Hear our prayer**



# PREFACE

*The president and the people praise God for his goodness.*

Lift up your hearts.

**All We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**All It is right to give thanks and praise.**

*Anon.*

# THE PRAYER OF CONSECRATION

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,  
who, in your tender mercy,  
gave your only Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption;

who made there by his one oblation of himself once offered  
a full, perfect and sufficient sacrifice, oblation and satisfaction for the sins  
of the whole world;

he instituted, and in his holy gospel commanded us to continue,  
a perpetual memory of his precious death until he comes again.

Hear us, merciful Father, we humbly pray,  
and grant that we receiving gifts of your creation, this bread and this wine;  
our food and our drink, according to your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ's  
holy institution,  
in remembrance of his death and passion,  
may be partakers of his most blessed body and blood;

*If you wish to, take a piece of your food, remembering God's generosity as we eat it.*

who, in the same night that he was betrayed,  
took bread and gave you thanks;  
he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take, eat, this is my body which is given for you;

do this in remembrance of me.

*If you wish to, take a cup, remembering God's love as we drink together.*

In the same way, after supper, he took the cup;  
and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying:

Drink this, all of you, this is my blood of the new covenant,  
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it,  
in remembrance of me.

**All Amen.**

# **The Lord's Prayer – John Bell** *sung by St Martin's Voices*

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.  
Lead us not into temptation  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.  
Amen.



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# THE BLESSING

The peace of God,  
which passes all understanding,  
keep your hearts and minds  
in the knowledge and love of God,  
and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord;  
and the blessing of God almighty,  
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,  
be among you and remain with you always.

**All Amen.**

*Anon.*

*Music for the Sending Out which comes next, is by Lucy Bunce,  
Cambridge, with kind permission given*

## SENDING OUT



May the road rise up to meet you.

May the wind be always at your back.

May the sun shine warm upon your face;

the rains fall soft upon your fields and until we meet again,

may God hold you in the palm of His hand.

Thanks to St Martin in the Fields, London for providing the music today; which they have done for the whole Church, week by week during the recent pandemic time.

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*You are invited to exchange  
the peace as we come out of  
the shared screen*

**The Peace of the Lord be  
with you all...and let us  
unmute and come out of the  
PowerPoint, to enable us  
share a sign of that Peace**