

# FATHER FORGIVE

## A Service to Mark the Presentation of a Cross of Nails to Broadhembury CE Primary School



24<sup>th</sup> September 2018

### The Gathering

*Before the service, the School community gathers.*

*The Rector of Broadhembury, Revd John Hayhoe, provides a welcome to the congregation.*

Everyone STANDS to sing

### **Hymn – Peace is Flowing Like a River**

**1. Peace is flowing like a river,  
Flowing out through you and me,  
Spreading out into the desert,  
Setting all the captives free.**

**2. Love is flowing like a river,  
Flowing out through you and me,  
Spreading out into the desert,  
Setting all the captives free.**

**3. Joy is flowing like a river,  
Flowing out through you and me,  
Spreading out into the desert,  
Setting all the captives free.**

**4. Hope is flowing like a river,  
Flowing out through you and me,  
Spreading out into the desert,  
Setting all the captives free.**

### **Welcome**

*Revd Hayhoe, leading the service, says:*

The Lord be with you:

**and also with you.**

**A large candle is then lit by a child.**

Rector: We light this candle as a reminder that Jesus is the Light of the World, and he is with us now.

### **Prayer**

Jesus, we love you.  
We know you are with us now.  
Help us to shine as lights in the world.  
Help us to work hard for peace.  
Help us to be more like you,  
today, and every day,  
here, and everywhere.  
Amen.

## **The Word of God**

### **Bible Reading**

**Ephesians 2:13-18** - *read by Bethany*

**Prayer** - *read by William*

### **Hymn – Peace Like a River**

1. I've got peace like a river,  
Peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul;  
I've got peace like a river,  
Peace like a river,  
I've got peace like a river in my soul.

2. I've got love like a river,  
Love like a river,  
I've got love like a river in my soul;  
I've got love like a river,  
Love like a river,  
I've got love like a river in my soul.

3. I've got joy like a river,  
Joy like a river,  
I've got joy like a river in my soul;  
I've got joy like a river,  
Joy like a river,  
I've got joy like a river in my soul.

4. I've got hope like a river,  
Hope like a river,  
I've got hope like a river in my soul;  
I've got hope like a river,  
Hope like a river,  
I've got hope like a river in my soul.

### **Short Talk**

*Given by Mrs Emma Griffiths (Associate Director of Reconciliation at Coventry Cathedral)*

## Stories of Reconciliation

*Mrs Gray and the pupils of Broadhembury CE Primary School*

### THE PRESENTATION OF THE CROSS OF NAILS

#### Hymn – Peace Perfect Peace

**1. Peace, perfect peace, is the gift of Christ our Lord.  
Peace, perfect peace, is the gift of Christ our Lord.  
Thus, says the Lord, will the world know my friends.  
Peace, perfect peace, is the gift of Christ our Lord.**

**2. Hope, perfect hope, is the gift of Christ our Lord.  
Hope, perfect hope, is the gift of Christ our Lord.  
Thus, says the Lord, will the world know my friends.  
Hope, perfect hope, is the gift of Christ our Lord.**

**3. Joy, perfect joy, is the gift of Christ our Lord.  
Joy, perfect joy, is the gift of Christ our Lord.  
Thus, says the Lord, will the world know my friends.  
Joy, perfect joy, is the gift of Christ our Lord.**

God was in Christ reconciling the world to himself:  
he has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation.

When anyone is united to Christ there is a new creation:  
the old order has gone; a new order has already begun.

He has entrusted us with the message of reconciliation:  
in Christ's name be reconciled to God.

In joy and gratitude we present this Cross of Nails to you.

May it be a sign to you, and to all people, of the reconciliation won for us on the cross.

*Cathedral representative:* This is your Cross

**School: We shall take it**

*Cathedral representative:* A symbol of hope

**School: We shall believe it**

*Cathedral Representative:* A symbol of peace

**School: We shall share it**

*When the Cross has been received it is placed in a prominent place, and everyone says 'The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation', after an appropriate introduction.*

### **The Coventry Litany of Reconciliation**

All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.

The hatred which divides nation from nation, race from race, class from class,

**Father Forgive.**

The selfishness of people and nations to possess what is not their own,

**Father Forgive.**

The greed which exploits the work of human hands and lays waste the earth,

**Father Forgive.**

Our envy of the welfare and happiness of others,

**Father Forgive.**

Our indifference to the plight of the imprisoned, the homeless and the refugee,

**Father Forgive.**

Anything which dishonours the bodies of men, women and children,

**Father Forgive.**

The pride which leads us to trust in ourselves and not in God,

**Father Forgive.**

Be kind to one another, tender-hearted, forgiving one another as God in Christ forgave you.

**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*The Rector introduces*

**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.**

**Forgive us our trespasses**

**as we forgive those who trespass against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power**

**and the glory**

**forever and ever.**

**Amen.**

## **The Sending Out**

### **Hymn – Shine Jesus Shine**

**1. Lord, the light of your love is shining  
In the midst of the darkness, shining  
Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us  
Set us free by the truth you now bring us  
Shine on me, shine on me.**

***Shine, Jesus, shine  
Fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze  
Set our hearts on fire  
Flow, river, flow  
Flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth your word  
Lord, and let there be light.***

**2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence  
From the shadows into your radiance  
By the blood I may enter your brightness  
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness  
Shine on me, shine on me.**

***Shine, Jesus, shine  
Fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze  
Set our hearts on fire  
Flow, river, flow  
Flood the nations with grace and mercy  
Send forth your word  
Lord, and let there be light.***

**3. As we gaze on your kingly brightness  
So our faces display your likeness  
Ever changing from glory to glory  
Mirrored here may our lives tell your story  
Shine on me, shine on me.**

***Shine, Jesus, shine  
Fill this land with the Father's glory  
Blaze, Spirit, blaze  
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Lord, and let there be light.***

### **Blessing**