

## Prayers for 29<sup>th</sup> March 2020 – Margaret Davies

O Lord God, our heavenly Father, we want to praise you for your creation of our world; this great weather; the birds singing and all the other signs of Spring. We thank you for all your blessings to us through people's love and care in this challenging time. Thank you for healing those who are ill.

We praise you for the great banquet of everlasting life; that invitation to be with you forever for those who believe, love and follow you Lord Jesus.

We confess Lord, for our disloyalty, disobedience, lacking in love and not following you always, for our thoughtlessness and impatience towards others.

Thank you that you forgive us when we repent because you sent your son Jesus to be sacrificed for us. Forgive us Lord Jesus and we thank you that God raised you from death so that we are forgiven and will be with you forever.

From Psalm 91 vs 14 & 15 [paraphrased] "The Lord says, because we love him, he will rescue us; he will protect us, for we acknowledge his name. We will call upon him and he will answer us. He will be with us in trouble; he will deliver us and honour us. With long life will he satisfy us and show us his salvation."

O Lord, we claim these promises. Please protect us all from harm, and infection. We pray you will bless and heal all those who are suffering. Especially we pray for Emma Blizzard's family as her sister Nikki is so ill. Be with Anthony Wedderburn and any who are lonely, or anxious. May they know that you are there giving your peace. We pray for good contacts and help where it is needed.

Give strength, wisdom and energy to all the workers in health, care essential and emergency services. We thank you Lord for their amazing dedication and hard work. Guide all those in our world who are in leadership and authority to make the right decisions within your will O Lord.

O Lord Jesus, we join together wherever we are to say the prayer you taught us,

**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 for ever and ever.  
Amen**