



# **Call to Worship**

**Leader:** that your way may be  
known upon earth, your saving  
Power among all nations.

**All: Let the peoples praise you,  
O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.**

**Leader:** May God be gracious to us  
and bless us

**All: and make his face to shine  
upon us,**

**Leader:** Let the nations be glad and  
sing for joy,  
for you judge the peoples with equity  
and guide the nations upon earth.

**All: Let the peoples praise you,  
O God;  
let all the peoples praise you.**

(Psalm 67:1-5, NRSV)

# **Hymn CH4 198**

**Let us build a house where  
love can dwell**

**Let us build a house  
where love can dwell  
and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell  
how hearts learn to forgive;  
built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions:**

***All are welcome,  
all are welcome,  
all are welcome in this place.***

**Let us build a house  
where prophets speak,  
and words are strong and true,  
where all God's children dare to seek  
to dream God's reign anew.  
Here the cross shall stand as witness  
and as symbol of God's grace;  
here as one we claim the faith of Jesus:**



***All are welcome,  
all are welcome,  
all are welcome in this place.***

**Let us build a house  
where love is found  
in water, wine and wheat:  
a banquet hall on holy ground,  
where peace and justice meet.  
Here the love of God, through Jesus,  
is revealed in time and space,  
as we share in Christ  
the feast that frees us:**

***All are welcome,  
all are welcome,  
all are welcome in this place.***

**Let us build a house  
where hands will reach  
beyond the wood and stone  
to heal and strengthen,  
serve and teach,  
and live the Word they've known.  
Here the outcast and the stranger  
bear the image of God's face;  
let us bring an end to fear and danger:**

***All are welcome,  
all are welcome,  
all are welcome in this place.***

**Let us build a house where all are named,  
their songs and visions heard  
and loved and treasured,  
taught and claimed  
as words within the Word.**

**Built of tears and cries and laughter,  
prayers of faith and songs of grace,  
let this house proclaim  
from floor to rafter:**

***All are welcome,  
all are welcome,  
all are welcome in this place.***

Marty Haugen (*b.* 1950)

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# Opening Prayer







# Lord's Prayer



**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**

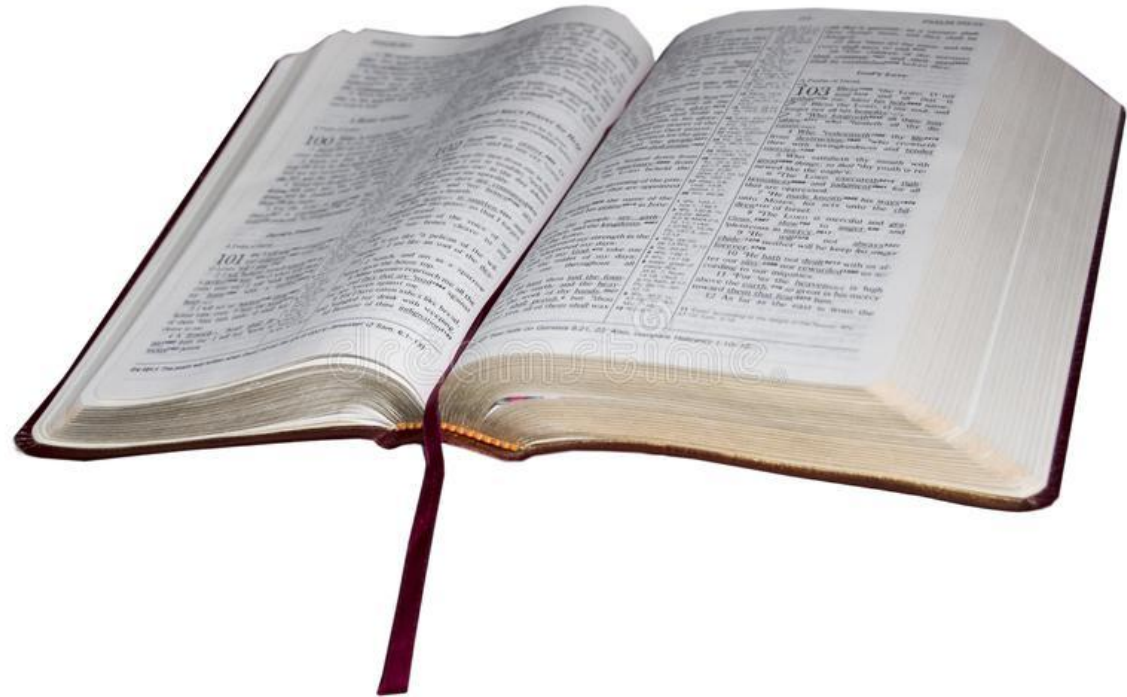
**Save us in the time of trial  
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours  
now and for ever.**

**Amen.**

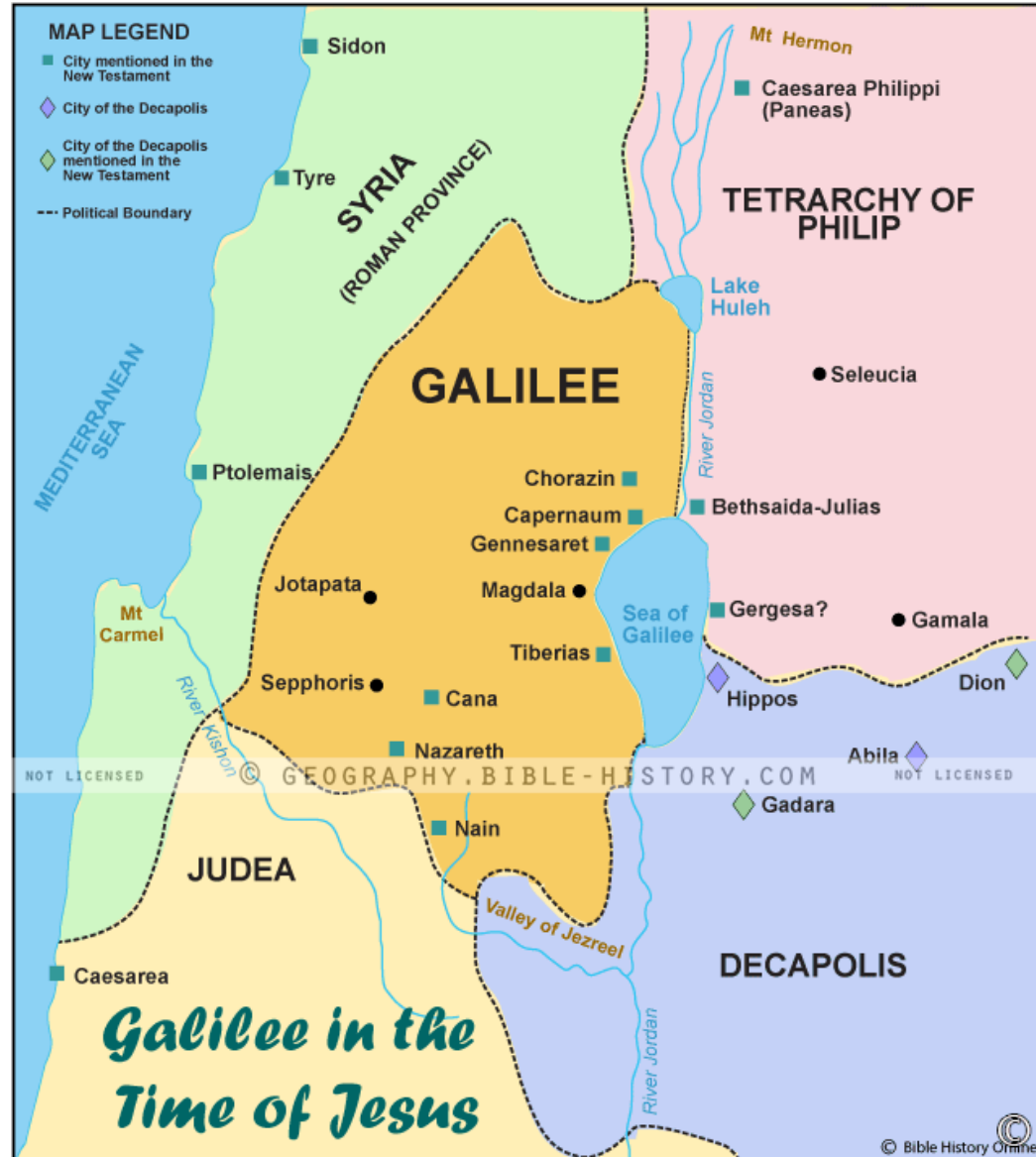
# Listen for the Word of God

St Matthew 15: 21-28



# **Reflecting on Scripture and Resting in God**

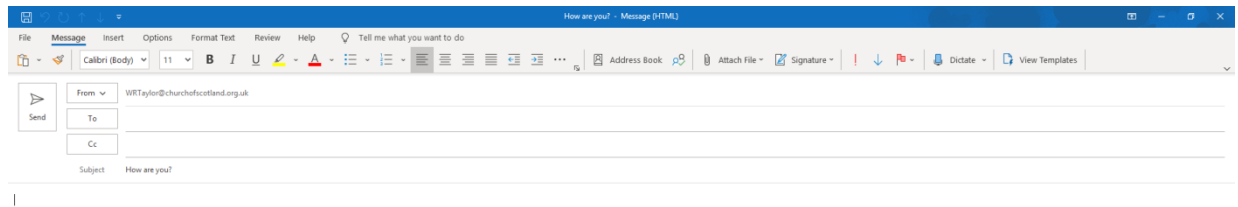








Detail from a sarcophagus showing a Phoenician ship, Sidon, 2nd century AD; Photo credited to Elie plus at en.wikipedia





# **Hymn CH4 755**

**Be still and know  
that I am God**

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**I am the Lord who saves and heals.**

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**In you, Lord God, I put my trust.**

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Author unknown

based on *Psalms 46: 10*

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**A Week of Prayer  
for Church and Country  
from Monday 17<sup>th</sup> - Saturday  
22<sup>nd</sup> August**



<https://youtu.be/AAmIPRWriZw>

**In the awareness of God  
we respond with  
the prayers of the people**

A large, diverse crowd of people is shown from a high-angle perspective, all clapping their hands. The individuals vary in age, gender, and ethnicity, creating a vibrant and inclusive scene. The background is slightly blurred, emphasizing the collective action of the group. The text "Prayers of the People" is overlaid in the center in a bold, yellow font with a black outline.

# Prayers of the People

# Hymn CH4 252

**As a fire is meant for burning**

**As a fire is meant for burning  
with a bright and warming flame,  
so the Church is meant for mission,  
giving glory to God's name.  
Preaching Christ, and not our customs,  
let us build a bridge of care,  
joining hands across the nations,  
finding neighbours everywhere.**

**We are learners; we are teachers;  
we are pilgrims on the way.**

**We are seekers; we are givers;  
we are vessels made of clay.**

**By our gentle, loving actions,  
we will show that Christ is light.**

**In a humble, listening Spirit,  
we will live to God's delight.**

**As a green bud in the springtime  
is a sign of life renewed,  
so may we be signs of oneness  
'mid earth's peoples, many-hued.  
As a rainbow lights the heavens  
when a storm is past and gone,  
so may we reflect the radiance  
of God's new and glorious dawn.**

Ruth C. Duck (*b.* 1947) Reproduced from *CH4* CD-ROM edition, number 252

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**The Grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God  
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit  
be with us now  
and always.  
Amen**

