

Pilgrimage Micro-liturgy

Opening

Standing

We meet today

+in the name of the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Psalm 193 / St Patrick's Breastplate

Sitting

You know when I leave and when I return;

Never out of step.

You know where I'm coming from and where I going;

Never out of your sight.

You know what's in my head and on my tongue;

Never out of touch.

Christ with me, Christ before me, Christ behind me,

Christ within me, Christ beneath me, Christ above me,

Christ on my right, Christ on my left,

Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,

Christ when I arise

*** *Your reassuring presence, in my leaving and returning.***

*** *Your reassuring presence, in my coming in and going out.***

*** *Your reassuring presence, in my thoughts and words.***

Is there any place I can go to avoid your presence?

If I climb to the sky, you're there!

If I go underground, you're there!

If I flew on morning's wings to the far western horizon,

You'd find me in a minute - you're already there waiting!

Genesis 28 Declaration

Surely the LORD is in this place—and I did not know it!"

How awesome is this place!

This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

Surely the LORD is in this place!

How awesome is {insert church name here}!

This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.

Silence is kept

This is a thin place, shivering with subdued holiness,

We notice and name God here

This is a thin place, where prayer has proved itself,

We add our prayers & praise here

A few moments of Open Prayer

Prayer of Blessing

Thank you, Father, for this ancient place of prayer:

For the faith that has blossomed here,

And for the worship in all seasons offered here;

For the lives that have been transformed here,

And commitment stirred into life here.

As we tread in the footsteps

Of our mothers and fathers in the faith

Bless us and all who come here,

This is the house of God.

This is a gate of heaven.

Amen.