



Malden Parochial Church of England Primary School

Reflecting the Kingdom of God by Enriching and Transforming Lives

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP

At Malden Parochial Collective Worship time as an opportunity to enhance the spiritual and moral development of our whole school community to enhance a positive ethos rooted in the **Reflection of the Kingdom of God** and our Christian values of **Love, Wisdom, Joy and Peace**. The aim of Collective Worship is to be inclusive, invitational and inspiring. The life and teachings of Jesus Christ are explored as are the events and individuals of the Old Testament.

INSPIRING

Collective Worship at Malden Parochial allows children to connect with God and welcome him into their life if they wish to do so. There are also moments for sharing and discussing Bible stories, discovering the meaning of these stories and how we can learn more about ourselves and humanity. Although Collective Worship aims to reflect Christian traditions, there are also moments where other faiths are explored. This allows mutual respect of other beliefs, cultures and traditions. In addition to this, Collective Worship is also an opportunity to think about current issues in the world and how the children can make a difference. Regular opportunities are provided for the children to participate in collective prayer and reflection.

Each day there is collective worship for pupils; sometimes the whole school together, at other times class groups meet. The worship is led by teachers and Father Michael from St John's and other local churches and with the faith group taking an increasingly active role in the running, organisation and delivery of sessions.

INCLUSIVE

Collective Worship is **INCLUSIVE** and is a time when all children and adults of all faiths and of none, feel welcomed and are invited to be present with integrity to participate actively or reflectively. **INSPIRATIONAL** - A time of the day when the school can come together and think about some of the 'big questions' in our lives; a time to support spiritual development; an opportunity to reflect individually and together to consider our actions, thoughts and feelings that might inspire us to be courageous advocates and agents of positive change in the world around us.



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INVITATIONAL

Anyone in our Collective Worship, children and adults alike, are invited to reflect, pray or think and it is each individuals' choice how they respond. Collective worship links to the liturgical year and follows the seasons. We link worship to our Christian vision, our four values, significant people from the past and today, alongside the following themes.

- Generosity
- Compassion
- Courage
- Forgiveness
- Friendship
- Respect
- Thankfulness
- Trust
- Perseverance
- Justice
- Service
- Truthfulness

A daily liturgical welcome such as 'We have gathered in the name of God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.' or 'The Lord be with you' 'And also with you'

- Learning (We think it) when new possibilities or different perspectives are explored through drama, images, poetry or puppetry based on Bible stories or other texts.
- Reflecting (We feel it) about how the Bible story or stimulus has made them think or challenged them.
- Responding (We live it) by providing opportunities to consider how God might be challenging people to step out and make a difference in the world.
- Celebrating pupils' achievement in class and sharing how children have demonstrated our Christian values and been a blessing to others during the week.

The intended impact of Collective Worship is for pupils to have a sound understanding of the Christian Values and use these when making decisions within their everyday lives. It is also to have a secure understanding of the teachings of the Bible and God's words. Children will understand that Christians worship in different ways, for example using music, silence, story, prayer, reflection and festivals. Children will also grow spiritually through experiences of prayer, stillness, worship and reflection.



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YEAR 2025-2026

Autumn Term 1:

Thankfulness: **Ordinary Time**

Jesus Heals the Ten Lepers – Only one leper returns to thank Jesus after being healed. (*Luke 17:11-19*) **Sarah** – Expressed gratitude when God fulfilled His promise of a son. (*Genesis 21:6-7*). Setting goals with Father Michael

- Thanking God for people who help us
- Praising God in creation
- Remembering to say thank you
- Giving thanks even when times are difficult
- Counting your blessings

Special Celebration: Harvest

So what, the impact of our justice and responsibility, what does this look like in my community: Lutheran, Charismatic, baptist. Link with creationtide, Heritage week at St John's Old Malden

Memory Verse Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."**Action:** Raise both hands, palms up, as if to say, "I can do this!"

Autumn Term 2:

Trust: **Advent**

Job's Trials – Job remains faithful despite suffering and loss. (*Book of Job*) **Rebekah** – Trusted God's plan for Jacob to receive the blessing. (*Genesis 27:5-10*)

- Knowing our friends will support us
- Knowing Jesus is with us in stormy times
- Standing on God's promises
- Being trustworthy, not gossiping
- Trusting God

So what, Link God's faithfulness to how God may use us to bless others, St John's Angel project.

Proverbs 3:5-6

"Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and lean not on your own



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understanding; In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths."

- **Action:** Place a hand over your heart, then point forward, then move both hands in a circle as if making a path.

Spring Term 1:

Perseverance: **Epiphany**

Book of Daniel, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Brave believers hold on to their faith in God even when threatened with a fiery death.

Martha & Mary of Bethany – Despite grief, they remained faithful and saw Jesus raise Lazarus. (John 11:1-44)

- Running the race of life
- Keeping going against all odds
- Doing the right thing
- Meeting a personal challenge
- Encouraging others to keep going

Psalm 56:3

"When I am afraid, I put my trust in You."

Action: Cross your arms over your chest, then make a trusting gesture with your hands

Spring Term 2:

Justice: **Lent**

Moses and the Exodus – Moses leads the Israelites out of slavery, seeking justice.

(Exodus 3-14) **Deborah** – Led Israel with wisdom and ensured justice was upheld.

(Judges 4-5)

- Treating people fairly
- Making wise decisions
- Seeing God's love in action
- Seeing the whole picture



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- Keeping God's rules

1 John 4:19

We love because he first loved us."

Action: Point to yourself, then make a heart shape with your hands.

Summer Term 1:

Service: **Easter Pentecost**

Jesus Feeds the 5,000 – Jesus serves others by miraculously providing food. (*John 6:1-14*) **Phoebe** – A deaconess who served the early Church faithfully. (*Romans 16:1-2*)

- Using our talents to serve
- Receiving as well as giving
- Giving with no strings attached
- Looking at the heart
- Living for others

Colossians 3:20

"Children, obey your parents in everything, for this pleases the Lord."

Action: Point to your ears to show you are listening, then bow your head slightly to show obedience.

Summer Term 2:

Truthfulness **Trinity**

Peter's Denial and Redemption – Peter denies Jesus but later repents and speaks the truth. (*Luke 22:54-62, John 21:15-17*) **Mary (Mother of Jesus)** – Accepted God's truth and faithfully carried out His will. (*Luke 1:38*)

- Telling the whole story
- Living without lies
- Making the right choices
- Searching for the truth



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- Having the courage to be honest

Matthew 7:12

"Do to others what you would have them do to you."

Action: Extend your hands to someone else as if giving a gift.

YEAR 2026-2027

Autumn Term 1

Harvest 1 Corinthians 12:12-27 – Paul describes the Church as the body of Christ, where each person plays a vital role.

- School Vision
- School Values
- New beginnings
- Harvest of of blessings
- Belonging and community

Reverend Chetwynd Stalpleton

Psalms 118:24

"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it."

Action: Clap your hands together, then make a joyful expression.

Autumn Term 2:

Generosity The Widow's Offering – A poor widow gives all she has, demonstrating true generosity. (Mark 12:41-44) **Ruth** – She selflessly stayed with Naomi, providing for her and showing great kindness. (Ruth 1:16-17)

- Loving others



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- Giving sacrificially and cheerfully
- Remembrance
- Caring for creation
- Giving our time.

Courageous Advocates

Bill Gates – His philanthropic work in global health and education demonstrates extraordinary generosity.

MacKenzie Scott – She has given billions to social justice causes with no strings attached.

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances."

Action: Smile broadly, then make a praying motion, then cup your hands as if offering thanks.

Compassion: The Good Samaritan – A Samaritan helps a wounded man when others ignore him. (*Luke 10:25-37*) **Mary Magdalene** – She showed deep compassion for Jesus, remaining by His side even at the crucifixion. (*John 20:11-18*)

- Noticing a need
- Being a good neighbour
- Putting on the right attitude
- Having the courage to care
- Coming to the rescue

Special Celebration: Christmas

Courageous Advocates

Mother Teresa – Her life was devoted to serving the poor and sick with deep compassion.

Florence Nightingale – She transformed healthcare with a heart for those in need.

John 3:16



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"For God so loved the world, that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life."

Action: Extend your arms to show the world, then make a thumbs-up for eternal life.

Spring Term 1:

Special Celebration: Candlemas

Courage: David and Goliath – Young David faces the giant Goliath with faith and bravery. (*1 Samuel 17*) **Esther** – Risked her life to save her people by approaching the king uninvited. (*Esther 4:16*)

- Stepping out of your comfort zone
- Doing the right thing, not the easy thing
- Facing a challenge
- Overcoming fear
- Encouraging others

Courageous Advocates

Martin Luther King Jr. – His fearless pursuit of civil rights changed history.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer – He bravely stood against the Nazi regime, sacrificing his life for his beliefs.

Ephesians 4:32

"Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you."

Action: Hug yourself or pat your heart, then make a forgiving gesture with your hands.



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Spring Term 2:

Forgiveness:**The Prodigal Son** – A father forgives his wayward son, showing unconditional love. (Luke 15:11-32) **Eve** – Though she made a mistake, God's plan for redemption through Jesus showed forgiveness. (Genesis 3:15)

- Wiping the slate clean.
- Turning over the new leaf
- Forgiving others as God has forgiven you
- Beginning again
- Putting the past behind us

Courageous Advocates

Desmond Tutu – He championed forgiveness and reconciliation in post-apartheid South Africa.

Nelson Mandela – After years in prison, he forgave those who oppressed him and sought peace.

1 Corinthians 10:31

"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God."

Action: Pretend to eat and drink, then put your hands together for God's glory.

Summer Term 1

Friendship:**David and Jonathan** – A deep, loyal friendship between David and Jonathan. (1 Samuel 18:1-4) **Elizabeth & Mary (Mother of Jesus)** – Their meeting was filled with joy and encouragement. (Luke 1:39-45)

- Sticking together
- Encouraging one another
- Supporting one another
- Making time for each other
- Learning to listen

Courageous Advocates



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Corrie ten Boom – She showed loyalty and friendship by protecting Jews during WWII.

Elizabeth Elliot – Continued missionary work among the people who killed her husband.

Isaiah 41:10

"Fear not, for I am with you."

Action: Wiggle your fingers to indicate "fear not," then make a strong, steady motion with your arms.

Summer Term 2

Respect: Jesus Washes His Disciples' Feet – Jesus humbly serves His disciples, teaching respect and humility. (*John 13:1-17*) **Miriam** – Led the Israelites in worship and honored God through song. (*Exodus 15:20-21*)

- Pentecost Special Celebration:
- Remembering to pray for others
- Valuing difference
- Valuing others as we would like to be valued
- Valuing special places
- Valuing different opinions

Courageous Advocates

William Wilberforce – His efforts to end slavery were rooted in respecting human dignity.

Mary Slessor – A missionary from Scotland who went to Nigeria to tell people about Jesus .

Action Faith is things hoped for and the evidence of things not seen