

Welcome Words 1

We light three candles in the name of:

God the Father who acts **justly**,

God the Son who loves mercy,

God the Holy Spirit who helps us walk humbly with our God.

Welcome Words 2

We have gathered in the name of

God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit,

to worship together

and think about our value **justice**.

Acrostic Poem

Justice is....

Judging what is right

Understanding what is fair

Standing up for those who need help

Trying to listen to both sides

Informed and wise decisions

Caring enough to take action

Equal opportunities for all

Prayer for courage

Father God

Give us the strength to accept the things we cannot change,

the courage to change the things we can,

and the wisdom to know the difference.

Amen

Praise prayer

Lord, Your justice reaches to the heavens,
Your faithfulness into the clouds.
We give you praise for your generous love,
that does not treat us as we deserve,
but gives us more than we could ever hope for.
Amen

Justice for everyone prayer

Lord Jesus Christ
In your own life on earth, you took care to listen well to people,
especially the people who no one else bothered with.
You were passionate about seeking justice for everyone.
Give us wisdom when we need to make decisions.
Help us not to jump to conclusions but to try to hear both sides,
giving everyone a chance speak.
And when we get it wrong, give us the humility and courage to say sorry.
Amen

A prayer for living well

You love us and want the best for us.
Thank you for helping us to know the right way to live.
May your ways be our ways,
So that all that we do and say is honouring to you.
In the name of Jesus,
Our Saviour and guide.
Amen

Victory

Goodness is stronger than evil,
Love is stronger than hate,
Light is stronger than darkness,
Life is stronger than death.
Victory is ours
Through Him who loved us.

Prayer for justice and love

Father God,
your Son Jesus Christ suffered and died for us.
In his resurrection he restores life and peace in all creation.
In a world of sadness and tears, show us your joy.
In a world of hatred, show us your love.
In a world of despair, give us hope.
In a world of disbelief, give us faith.
Give us power in your world to make a difference
and stand up for justice.
Amen.