# WORLD COMMUNION OF REFORMED CHURCHES THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

#### **EVENING PRAYER**

Monday, 13 May 2019

# **Opening**

God, come to our aid.

Lord, make haste to help us.

O God, how precious is your love!

All people take refuge in you:
in you is the fountain of life
in your light we see light.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

# J Jésus le Christ



#### Psalm 116:5-17

Gracious is the LORD, and righteous;

our God is merciful.

The LORD protects the simple;

when I was brought low, God saved me.

Return, O my soul, to your rest,

for the LORD has dealt bountifully with you.

For you have delivered my soul from death,

my eyes from tears,

my feet from stumbling.

I walk before the LORD

in the land of the living.

I kept my faith, even when I said,

'I am greatly afflicted';

I said in my consternation,

'Everyone is a liar.'

What shall I return to the LORD

for all God's bounty to me?

I will lift up the cup of salvation

and call on the name of the LORD,

I will pay my vows to the LORD

in the presence of all God's people.

Precious in the sight of the LORD

is the death of the faithful ones.

O LORD, I am your servant;

I am your servant, the child of your serving-maid.

You have loosed my bonds.

I will offer to you a thanksgiving sacrifice

and call on the name of the LORD.

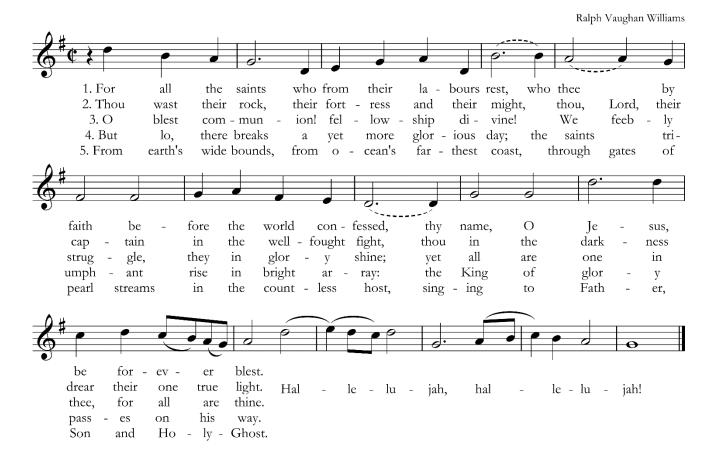
Praise the LORD!

# Silent reflection

#### In memoriam

- 1. Rev. Dr. Peter Borgdorff Rev. Lisa VanderWal
- 2. Rev. Robina Winbush Rev. Michael Blair
- 3. Rev. Dr. C.M. Kao Rev. Lian Chin-Siong

## **I** For all the saints (stanzas 1 to 3)



## Prayer of thanksgiving

Eternal God,

we thank you for the faithful disciples of every generation and for the communion of saints that transcends time and space.

Today, we thank you for the life of your servants:

# Robina Winbush, Peter Borgdorff, C.M. Kao

We celebrate with grateful hearts their courage and vision, their faith and faithfulness as they laboured for the Ecumenical Movement and struggled to bring the churches together.

We rejoice in their wisdom, knowledge and many gifts, and their unswerving commitment to unity, peace and justice.

We celebrate their hope and confidence that you will bring to fulfillment what you began in Jesus Christ.

We celebrate their commitment to live and die in your service.

Now we pray that you will use even us

to reflect the glory we see in Christ.

May the voices of all your saints, made holy in Christ, swell in joyous praise to you, the giver of all good gifts, through Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.** 

# The day you gave us, Lord



# Closing

The wisdom of God be ours, that by day we may act with discernment and by night, rest untroubled.

The strength of God be ours, that by day we may stand firm with Christ and by night, be re-charged.

The stillness of God be ours, that by day we may embody God's peace and by night, know that God is near. Amen.