

## Session 6 Tomb: awaiting resurrection

### Closing liturgy

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We did not receive a spirit that makes us slaves to fear

**By your Spirit, You hold us as your children**

God of compassion and all comfort

**We rest in your loving-kindness, O God**

Hallowed be your name in the Beloved, by the Spirit

**As in the beginning so now and forever. Amen.**

We ask for God's eternal-life-giving to be known in our world in this between-the-moments time, saying: Living God

**change the world for good**

When we come forth, unbind us and give us to our neighbours for business not as usual but as you shall see it on earth as in heaven;

Living God

**change the world for good**

Open us to the tears of the wider world, let them bring us to compassionate service; Living God

**change the world for good.**

Wisen us to co-create fitting honours for those who have died and to deepen capacity for collective lament; Living God

**change the world for good**

Underline in hearts and minds the connections between this crisis and the continued dying of the ecosystem; Living God

**change the world for good.**

*Other biddings, out-loud or in heart-quiet, may be added here, ending each:*

Living God

**change the world for good**

In our seeming insufficiencies, in our finding provision, Living God:

**change the world for good.**

*... holding before God our own needs ...*

O God, your unstinting providence sustains the world, our societies, our living: Take care for us, and keep us ever mindful that our common weal flows from each other's toil and care. Amen.

Full-lively God, we come to you sorrowing for our weaknesses and unbelief.

*Recollection of what we need to confess.*

We have colluded with sin and death, and failed to step out into risen life.

Merciful God, forgive us.

**And restore us to life.**

Where we have been withholding from others mercy, grace and words of life.

Forgive us, Merciful God

**And restore us to life-giving.**

Let us attend; Christ breathes upon us the peace and forgiveness of God.

*A moment for quiet reflection on our forgiveness.*

Through our tears and our laughter, our fears and our hope; Living God **change the world for good.**

Jesus comes to us and says, 'Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.'

He breathes on us and says; 'Receive the Holy Spirit'

*....Pause to reflect on Christ's presence and call before we return to the rest of our lives.*

Let us bless the Lord:

**Thanks be to God**

Who gives us the victory

**through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

