# Midday Prayers 2022: Transformation – Now!

# February

# Colours of transformation

**Monday**: **Rainbow**

Like the appearance of a rainbow in the clouds on a rainy day,

so was the radiance around him.

This was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord.

*Ezekiel 1:28*

Christ our Lord,

radiant in splendour and glory,

shine your love into the darkness

and paint our lives with the rainbow hues

of your multi-faceted blessing.

Lift our eyes that we may delight

in the brightness and beauty

of your transformational love

which colours our lives with joy and hope.

**O Christ our Morning Star,**

**Splendour of Light Eternal,**

**shining with the glory of the rainbow,**

**come and waken us**

**from the greyness of our apathy**

**and renew us in your gift of hope.**

**Amen**

*The Venerable Bede*

**Tuesday: Red**

Come now, let us settle the matter,
says the Lord.
Though your sins are like scarlet,
they shall be as white as snow;
though they are red as crimson,
they shall be like wool.

*Isaiah 1:18*

**Christ, our spotless Redeemer,**

**who cleanses us from sin,**

**look upon us with mercy and grace.**

In shame, I come to Christ,

carrying the filthy rags of my sin,

stained in crimson guilt.

In faith, I lay them at Christ’s feet,

whispering words of penitence,

helpless to make amends.

In love, Christ transforms my life,

making me clean as newly-fallen snow

with his crimson blood of righteousness

**Christ our spotless Redeemer,**

**who takes away the sin of the world,**

**we bring you our worship and praise.**

**Amen**

**Wednesday: Green**

The Lord is my shepherd I shall not be in want.
He makes me lie down in green pastures,

he leads me beside quiet waters,

he restores my soul.
*Psalm 23:1-3*

When our lives are dull and dry,

the colour drained by the demands we face:

Lord, lead us to pastures green.

Transform our parched souls

into abundant places of fruitfulness

with your verdant refreshment.

Shelter us in leafy shade.

Restore us in times of dryness

by the waters of the Spirit

as we soak in your Word.

Plant us in fertile places.

Transform our barrenness

into lives that will produce

a vibrant harvest of faith.

**Surely your goodness and mercy**

**will colour all the days of our lives,**

**until we dwell in your house**

**forevermore.**

**Amen**

**Thursday: White**

Jesus led them up a high mountain, where they were all alone.

There he was transfigured before them.

His clothes became dazzling white,

whiter than anyone in the world could bleach them.

*Mark 9;2-3*

Chosen One, Beloved of the Father,

lead us to the heights of your presence

that we may behold your dazzling radiance.

**Bathe us in the rays of your glorious truth**

**that we may be transformed by your perfect love.**

**Open our ears to listen to your voice**

**that we may be transformed by your words of life.**

Then lead us on by the light of your presence,

renewed in spirit and envisioned in faith;

to works that bring lasting transformation

in the world you have called us to serve.

**Amen**

**Friday: Sparkling jewels**

Afflicted city, storm-tossed and not comforted,
I will rebuild you with stones of turquoise,
your foundations with sapphires.

I will make your battlements of rubies,
your gates of sparkling jewels,
and all your walls of precious stones.

*Isaiah 54:11*

Christ our King,

you were storm-tossed by those you died to save;

rejected by those you came to build into your kingdom.

Yet now you shine with resurrection glory,

radiating bejewelled light,

as you stand on the foundations of eternity.

So, in your mercy, transform us in our hardships

and rebuild the foundations of our lives,

with sparkling jewels of your love and grace.

**May we shine as precious living stones,**

**reflecting the light of Christ our King,**

**and may his light transform the world.**

**Amen**

**Saturday: Colours of transformation**

We all are being transformed into his image

with ever-increasing glory,

which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.

*2 Corinthians 3:18*

**Take your canvas, God,**

**and sketch on it**

**a new life for me.**

**Shape me, style me**

**and shade me with your Spirit.**

Paint over the old me

with all my blemishes and flaws

and then, with Jesus as your model

draw my heart again

and colour it with love.

God, paint over the old me

and draw me again

so that I can see the world

from your perspective.

Then, after growth and in wisdom

perhaps one day

someone will look and see in me

your masterpiece

a portrait of the glory of Jesus.

**Amen**

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# Wave of Prayer for Mothers’ Union

Lord, we pray for Mothers’ Union worldwide.

 **1 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

 **2 – 4** Matlosane in South Africa; Mumias in Kenya; Eha-Amufu in Nigeria;

 Ballarat in Australia; Niagara in Canada and North Kerala in India

 **5 – 7** Botswana; Marsabit in Kenya; Idah & Jebba in Nigeria;

 Salisbury in England and Andaman & Car Nicobar Islands in India

 **8 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

 **9 – 11** Lainya in South Sudan; Ankole in Uganda; Abuja & Lagos-West

 in Nigeria; Lichfield in England and Karnataka North in India

**12 – 14** Matana in Burundi; South Ankole in Uganda; Morogoro in Tanzania;

 Ohaji/Egbema in Nigeria; New Westminster in Canada and Dornakal

 in India

 **15 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**16 – 18** Bentiu in South Sudan; Bunyoro Kitara in Uganda;

 Okigwe-North & Omu- Aran in Nigeria; Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh

 in All Ireland and Krishna-Godavari in India

**19 – 21** Free State in South Africa; Bondo in Kenya; Ogbia & Offa in Nigeria;

 Swansea & Brecon in Wales; Argentina and Uruguay

 **22 Mothers’ Union worldwide**

**23 – 25**  Wau in South Sudan; Kigeme in Rwanda; Bauchi in Nigeria;

 St David's in Wales and Mandalay in Myanmar

**26 – 28** Mundri in South Sudan; Madi & West Nile in Uganda; Isikwuatu

 in Nigeria; Chichester in England and Seoul in South Korea

## Final Blessing

**May the rainbow blessing of the God of transformation**

**be ours now and always,**

**as we go in faith to serve the world.**

**Amen**