**Evening Prayer**

I lift up my eyes to the hills --  
From where will my help come?  
**My help comes from the LORD,  
who made heaven and earth.**  
Bless, O God, your creation this night:  
The trees, branches raised in praise.  
**The sky, soft glow darkening into dusk.**  
Bless, O God, this sacred moment:  
The quiet pause between day and night.  
**The birds, flying to safety in bush or brush.  
The colours creeping across the clouds.**

Forgive, O God, the sins of your servant this day:  
The unkind word or thought.  
**The deed of which we are ashamed.  
Forgive us that we might find rest in you.**

Jesus said, “Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me; for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls.” - Matthew 11:29

***Bible Reading***

***Lord’s Prayer***

May God’s kingdom come through us.

Lord be with us to guide us,

***within us to strengthen us,***

above us to raise us,

***beneath us to carry us,***

before us to lead us,

***behind us to guard us,***

ever about us

***this evening and evermore. Amen.***