Hinckley United Reformed Church Prayers for the Week 3rd March 2025

Mon 3rd Loving God, We praise you for your coming to us in Christ, walking your earth and sharing our humanity. We praise you for the inspiration you give us through Jesus.

Tues 4th We remember how you reached out through the ministry of Christ, welcoming whom society had rejected, accepting those whom the world considered unacceptable, for you accept us, just as we are.

Wed 5th On this first day of Lent, we remember Jesus going alone into the wilderness to commune with his heavenly father and was tempted by Satan. How often do we go to a quiet space to talk to our Lord and have to resist the temptations Satan throws at us. Lord, accept our prayers, our praise and our love.

Thurs 6th Lord, you have taught us that we should long to know you better, not just want that, we should yearn for that, urgently and passionately and strive to understand your will and fulfil your purpose so that we do not cluttering our lives with so much clutter we do not have space for you.

Fri 7th Loving God, we remember in this season of Lent the temptation of Jesus in the wilderness, the pressures he faced, the choices he made, the evil he had to resist and the path he chose. We remember that though he was tempted as we are tempted, he did not give way.

Sat 8th You set before him the need to choose – between the way of self and the way of the cross, the way of the world and the way of love, and the way of life that leads to death, and the way of death that leads to life. Thank you for the choice he made, and all that lay behind it – the faith that gave him the inner strength to take the path of suffering and death.

Sun 9th Forgive us that having received so much from him we give so little in return. We are self-centred putting ourselves before others and before you, shying away from sacrifice and self-denial. We are narrow in our vision, more concerned with earthly satisfaction than spiritual fulfilment, taking the easy, comfortable way, rather than the way of Christ.