

Saturday 8th December 2018



## Mighty God

*For a child has been born for us, a son given to us; authority rests upon his shoulders; and he is named Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. (Isaiah 9:6)*

Jesus is hailed as 'Mighty God'. It is a statement of who he is, God incarnate, God on earth. Our God, all powerful, living among us, just as John opened his gospel. The God who created the heavens, the earth and all in between, became a human being and lived among us.

The Message paraphrases the words from John 1:14 – "*The Word became flesh and blood and moved into the neighbourhood*". Imagine God living in your neighbourhood, living among the families you find there, experiencing all the issues that affect those who live near you. How would you feel knowing God was physically there, living next door? What would you want to change about your neighbourhood? About your own life?

During all the preparations for Christmas we need to spend some of advent to set ourselves in order, to ensure that we are personally ready for Jesus, our God, to come among us. We need to look at our lives, what needs to change in order for us to be ready for God.

Mighty God.

creator of the heavens and the earth,

worker of signs and wonders:

thank you that you came and dwelt among us;

thank you that you understand our lives, our joys and sorrows.

Give us the help of your Spirit,

that we can be honest and prepare to make changes in our lives.

Help us to live knowing that you dwell among us.

Mighty God we praise you.

Amen

*Prayers for December written by Revd Claire Rawlinson  
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