

Day 2

Enlightenment: Seeking and Showing Forth Christ's Light

Scripture

- **Acts 27:20**, All hope of our being saved was at last abandoned.

“When neither sun nor stars appeared for many days, and no small tempest raged, all hope of our being saved was at last abandoned.”

- **Psalms 119:105-110**, Your word is a lamp for my feet, a light on my path.
- **Mark 4:35-41**, “Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?”

Meditation

Christ is our light and our guide. Without the light and guidance of Christ, we become disorientated. When Christians lose sight of Christ, they grow fearful and divided from one another. Moreover many people of good will outside the Church are unable to see the light of Christ because in our Christian division we reflect Christ's light less clearly or, at times, block it out completely. As we seek the light of Christ, we are drawn closer to one another, and so mirror this light more clearly, becoming truly a sign of Christ, the light of the world.

Prayer

God, your word is a light to our steps and without you we are lost and disorientated. Enlighten us so that, through your word, we may walk your path. May our churches crave your guiding, consoling and transforming presence. Give us the honesty we need to recognize when we make it difficult for others to see your light, and the grace we need to share your light with others. We ask this in the name of your Son, who calls us, his followers, to be light to the world. Amen.

Prayer Intention: For all Christian Churches and Faith Communities, that they may be faithful witnesses to the Gospel call to reconciliation... We pray to the Lord.

Questions:

- In what circumstances do I lose sight of God?
- We prayed that we might walk gently on Creation. What is my responsibility confronted by the storm of climate change?
- What responsibility do we have as a community to address climate change?

Action: Individual actions on reducing carbon are not enough to make the difference but together they add up. What can you do?