

justice, peace and right to live for everyone. Let us pray that God may empower the people in power that they may work towards ending child labour, provide equal education for all and ensure that the rights and dignity of children are safeguarded. Dear God...

C : Hear our prayer and answer unto us

L: Let us pray for all who work in the field of education and all educational institutions. Let us pray that God may help all the teachers to mould the new generation in goodness and faithfulness by imparting wisdom, values and examples. Dear God...

C : Hear our prayer and answer unto us

L : Let us pray for the universal church, especially for the Mar Thoma Syrian Church. Let us pray for the Metropolitan, Valiya Metropolitan, Bishops, Achens, Deacons, Evangelists, the faith community. Let us pray for the Mar Thoma Sunday School Samajam, President Bishop, General Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Office bearers, Managing Committee, Samajam staff, Diocese, District, Centre, Sakha workers, Teachers, Students, Asraya project, Suganthagiri project, CEC charalkunnu, estates and all of Samajam's services which lead the children to Christ. Dear God...

C : Hear our prayer and answer unto us

Dedication Prayer:

Our Lord and Our God, as we observe this blessed day as the World Sunday School Day, we humble ourselves and completely dedicate our hearts to You. We submit ourselves completely to Love and serve you, to obey and respect our parents and elders, to humble and submit to our teachers, to love and care, to walk, talk and act purely and innocently in the way of the Word.

Amen.

MAR THOMA SUNDAY SCHOOL SAMAJAM

WORLD SUNDAY SCHOOL DAY

2019 NOVEMBER 3, SUNDAY

WORSHIP ORDER

(Approved by His Grace the Mar Thoma Metropolitan)

Call to Worship:

Leader : "Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song." (Psalms 95:1&2)

Opening Hymn

Kauma

Opening Prayer:

Leader : O God our loving Father, the Creator of everything and source of all gifts, we glorify You for creating us marvellously in Your image and likeness. O Lord Jesus Christ, who was pleased by the innocence of the little children and gave them the greatest place in the Kingdom of God, we Your children magnify You. O Holy Spirit, who inspires us to follow the way Christ taught us, in love, care and including everyone, we adore You. O Holy Trinity we ascribe all glory, honour and praise unto You both now and forever

Amen.

Prayer of Confession:

"Have mercy on me, O God, according to your unfailing love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin." (Psalms 51:1&2)

Response: Merciful God, forgive us.

Leader : Though we are aware that the study of the Word of God and life in worship are important factors in a Christian life, we have many a time shown disrespect and indifference towards learning the Word and attending the Worship, for these our shortcomings...

Congregation : *Merciful God, forgive us.*

L : You gave us a blessed older generation to hold our hands and help us walk, in our journey of life but we could not follow, respect and apply the good values they imparted to us, for these our shortcomings...

C : *Merciful God, forgive us.*

L: You have showered us with many gifts, talents and opportunities in our life but we have fallen into the traps of excessive social media, video games, other media and wasted a huge amount of time, for these our shortcomings...

C : *Merciful God, forgive us.*

L : You gave us blessed institutions and opportunities for education and learning, being your children we are supposed to be your witness but we fell short in showing respect, truth, obedience and humility, for these our shortcomings...

C : *Merciful God, forgive us.*

Prayer of Thanksgiving:

"All your works praise you, Lord; your faithful people extol you." (Psalms 145:10)

Response: *We give you thanks.*

L : For giving us a learning place called 'home' which inspires us to grow in the foundations of Divine faith. For our dear parents and the older generation who teach us about Christian values and examples through deep divine relationship and life experiences. Dear Lord...

C : *We give you thanks.*

L : For everyone who gives us proper guidance and inspiration to continue in the Word of God. Especially, for our parish, vicar, elders, Sunday school teachers who provide us with insights on faith and Scripture. Dear Lord...

C : *We give you thanks.*

L : For the stories, life experiences and songs that communicate God's love and the good news of salvation through Jesus Christ. For the people who write them and for the Divine call and challenge to lead a Christian life that we experience through them. Dear Lord...

C : *We give you thanks.*

L: For Your divine will in founding the church, the servants and the services in this world to reveal Your divine plan of Salvation. For instituting the Sunday School to lead us towards Jesus Christ and especially for the Mar Thoma Sunday School Samajam which gives us the vision of the Kingdom and life experiences. Dear Lord...

C : *We give you thanks.*

Prayer of Intercession:

"I love the Lord, for he heard my voice; he heard my cry for mercy. Because he turned his ear to me, I will call on him as long as I live." (Psalms 116:1&2)

Response: *Hear our prayer and answer unto us*

L : Let us pray for the nature and all of God's creation. Let us pray for the people who have been affected by natural disasters such as floods and landslides. Let us pray for the children who have lost their parents, parents who have lost their children, those who have lost their homes, books, other materials. Let us pray that they overcome this situation and start over with new hope. Dear God...

C : *Hear our prayer and answer unto us*

L: Let us pray for those who are in governance. Let us pray that the whole world may get leaders who strive towards establishing truth,