



Collective Worship

Tuesday 7th July 2026

Core Value: Aspiration

Courage in every step, Faith in every journey.

Opening Reflection

Let us pause, breathe, and take a moment to reflect.

Dear God,

Help me do my best each day. Give me courage to follow my dreams, strength to keep trying when things are hard, and wisdom to make good choices. Guide me to use my skills well and to help others.

Amen.



A Story of Aspiration

J.K. Rowling: A Story of Aspiration.

J.K. Rowling dreamed of becoming a writer from a young age. Before achieving success, she faced many difficulties, including financial struggles and repeated rejection from publishers.

Instead of giving up, she continued working on her novel, *Harry Potter*. After many rejections, one publisher finally accepted her manuscript. The book became a worldwide success, inspiring millions of readers.

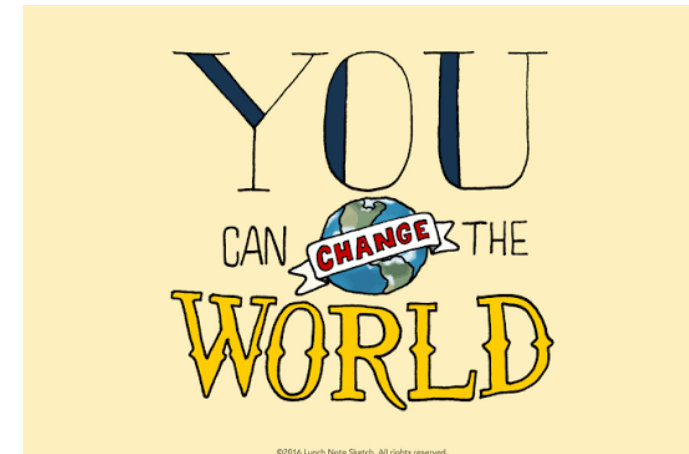
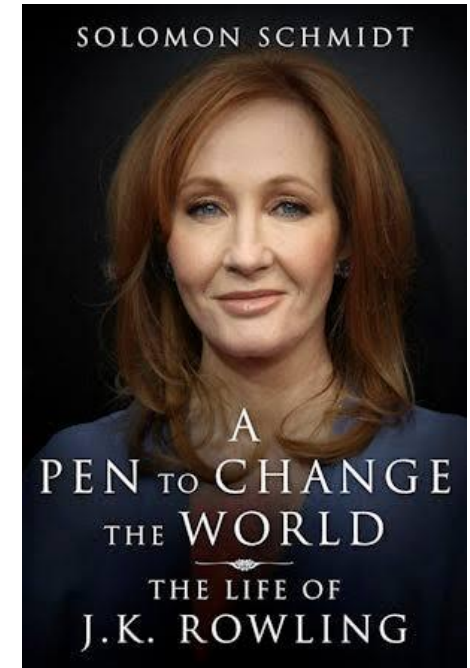
Today, J.K. Rowling is one of the world's best-known authors. Her story shows that determination, patience, and believing in your dreams can lead to extraordinary success.

This story teaches that aspiration, combined with perseverance, can overcome even repeated setbacks.

We can reflect on and learn several important lessons about aspiration from J.K. Rowling's story:

- **Dream big.** She never gave up on her goal of becoming a writer.
- **Persevere through setbacks.** Even after many publishers rejected her book, she kept trying.
- **Believe in yourself.** She had confidence in her story despite criticism and rejection.
- **Work hard to achieve your goals.** Success came through dedication and persistence, not overnight.
- **Failure can lead to success.** Rejections became stepping stones that motivated her to keep improving.

Key lesson: Aspiration means having a dream and continuing to work toward it, even when you face obstacles or failure. Determination and perseverance can turn dreams into reality.



Closing Prayer

Let us pause, breathe, and take a moment to reflect.

Loving God,

Thank You for this day. Inspire us to aim high, do our best, and use our talents to serve others. Guide us to grow in wisdom, kindness, and purpose each day.

Amen.

