

# Morning Prayer

## Opening Sentence

I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.  
**Amen.**

## Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

## Invitatory and Psalter

V: Lord, open our lips.

R: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.  
Alleluia.

## Venite

*The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.  
For the Lord is a great God, \*  
and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.  
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

*The Lord has shown forth his glory: Come let us adore him.*

### **Psalm 5**

Give ear to my words, O LORD; \*  
consider my meditation.  
Hearken to my cry for help, my King and my God, \*  
for I make my prayer to you.  
In the morning, LORD, you hear my voice; \*  
early in the morning I make my appeal and watch for you.  
For you are not a God who takes pleasure in wickedness, \*  
and evil cannot dwell with you.  
Braggarts cannot stand in your sight; \*  
you hate all those who work wickedness.  
You destroy those who speak lies; \*  
the bloodthirsty and deceitful, O LORD, you abhor.  
But as for me, through the greatness of your mercy I will go into your house; \*  
I will bow down toward your holy temple in awe of you.  
Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness,  
because of those who lie in wait for me; \*  
make your way straight before me.  
For there is no truth in their mouth; \*  
there is destruction in their heart;  
Their throat is an open grave; \*  
they flatter with their tongue.  
Declare them guilty, O God; \*  
let them fall, because of their schemes.  
Because of their many transgressions cast them out, \*  
for they have rebelled against you.  
But all who take refuge in you will be glad; \*  
they will sing out their joy for ever.  
You will shelter them, \*  
so that those who love your Name may exult in you.  
For you, O LORD, will bless the righteous; \*  
you will defend them with your favor as with a shield.

### **Psalm 6**

LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger; \*  
do not punish me in your wrath.  
Have pity on me, LORD, for I am weak; \*  
heal me, LORD, for my bones are racked.

My spirit shakes with terror; \*  
    how long, O LORD, how long?  
Turn, O LORD, and deliver me; \*  
    save me for your mercy's sake.  
For in death no one remembers you; \*  
    and who will give you thanks in the grave?  
I grow weary because of my groaning; \*  
    every night I drench my bed  
    and flood my couch with tears.  
My eyes are wasted with grief \*  
    and worn away because of all my enemies.  
Depart from me, all evildoers, \*  
    for the LORD has heard the sound of my weeping.  
The LORD has heard my supplication; \*  
    the LORD accepts my prayer.  
All my enemies shall be confounded and quake with fear; \*  
    they shall turn back and suddenly be put to shame.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
    as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## **The Lessons**

### **The First Reading**

**Isa. 40:25-31**

A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah.

To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing.

Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD, and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **A Song of Praise**

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \*  
    you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \*  
    we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.  
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \*  
    on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.  
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \*  
    we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; \*  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

## **The Second Reading**

**Mark 1:14-28**

A Reading from the Gospel According to Mark.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news.'

As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fish for people.' And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, 'What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God.' But Jesus rebuked him, saying, 'Be silent, and come out of him!' And the unclean spirit, throwing him into convulsions and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, 'What is this? A new teaching—with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.' At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## **A Song to the Lamb**

Splendor and honor and kingly power \*  
are yours by right, O Lord our God,  
For you created everything that is, \*  
and by your will they were created and have their being;  
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, \*  
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,  
From every family, language, people, and nation, \*  
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.  
And so, to him who sits upon the throne, \*  
and to Christ the Lamb,  
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, \*  
for ever and for evermore.  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## The Prayers

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Officiant* Let us pray.

### The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.

### Suffrages

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. **And grant us your salvation.**  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**

- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
 R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
 V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
 R. **Your saving health among all nations.**  
 V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
 R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
 V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
 R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

### **The Collect of the Day**

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

### **A Collect for Guidance**

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **A Prayer for Mission**

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### **Prayers and Thanksgivings**

#### **The General Thanksgiving**

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
 we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
 for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
 to us and to all whom you have made.  
 We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
 and all the blessings of this life;  
 but above all for your immeasurable love  
 in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;  
 for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
 And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
 that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
 not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
 by giving up our selves to your service,  
 and by walking before you  
 in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**