

# Morning Prayer

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*Officiant* Lord, open our lips,  
*People* **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us.  
*People* **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*All* **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 Invitatory

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us worship.

**Venite** *Psalm 95.1-7*

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 moulded 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!

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# The Proclamation of the Word

## The Readings

*The reading, or readings, as appointed are read, the reader first saying,*

A reading from . . .

*After each reading the reader may say,*

The word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

*The congregation may stand or sit for a Gospel reading. The reader may say,*

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to . . .

*People*      **Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*Then at the conclusion of the Gospel, the reader says,*

The Gospel of Christ.

*People*      **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

*The readings may be followed by silence, a canticle, a responsory, an anthem or other music, or a hymn. A combination of these responses may be appropriate. The psalm, as appointed, may follow the first reading*

## Sermon

*A sermon or other comment on the readings is appropriate at principal services on Sundays and at other major gatherings of the Christian community. A silence for reflection may follow.*

## Affirmation of Faith

### 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.

*Or the following:*

## Hear, O Israel

Hear, O Israel,  
the Lord our God, the Lord is one.  
Love the Lord your God  
with all your heart,  
with all your soul,  
with all your mind,  
and with all your strength.

This is the first and the great commandment.  
The second is like it:  
Love your neighbour as yourself.

There is no commandment greater than these.

## Intercessions and Thanksgivings

*A deacon or lay member of the community may lead the intercessions and thanksgivings. Intercession or thanksgiving may be offered for*

*the Church  
the Queen and all in authority the world  
the local community those in need  
the departed.*

*A short litany may be selected from pp. 110–127. A thanksgiving litany and the forms of General Thanksgiving are found on pp. 128–130. Other prayers are found on pp. 675–684. These prayers and thanksgivings may be modified in accordance with local need, or extempore forms of prayer may be used.*

## The Collect

*The Collect of the Day or a collect appropriate to the time of day may be said.*

## The Lord's Prayer

*Officiant* Gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,  
*All* **Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Save us from the time of trial,  
and deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power,  
and the glory are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen.**

*Or*

*Officiant* And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*All* **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, the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

## **Dismissal**

*Then may be said or sung,*

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*The officiant may conclude with one of the following:*

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

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

May the God of peace enable us to do his will in every kind of goodness, working in us what pleases him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favour and grant us peace. **Amen.**