

# ***Morning Prayer***

## **Preparation**

O Lord, open our lips

**All and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

1 Bless the Lord all you works of the Lord: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

2 Bless the Lord you heavens: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

3 Bless the Lord you angels of the Lord: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

4 Bless the Lord all people on earth: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

5 O people of God bless the Lord: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

6 Bless the Lord you priests of the Lord: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

7 Bless the Lord you servants of the Lord: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

8 Bless the Lord all you of upright spirit: ♦  
bless the Lord you that are holy and humble in heart.

**All Bless the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.**

*This opening prayer may be said*

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;  
let us pray with one heart and mind.

*Silence is kept.*

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,  
so may the light of your presence, O God,  
set our hearts on fire with love for you;  
now and for ever.

**All Amen.**

## The Word of God

*One or two Psalms are read and may end with*

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning is now**

**and shall be for ever. Amen.**

### *Canticle*

*Refrain:*

**All Splendour and majesty are yours, O God;**

**you are exalted as head over all.**

1 Blessed are you, God of Israel, for ever and ever, ♦  
for yours is the greatness, the power,  
the glory, the splendour and the majesty.

2 Everything in heaven and on earth is yours; ♦  
yours is the kingdom, O Lord,  
and you are exalted as head over all.

3 Riches and honour come from you ♦  
and you rule over all.

4 In your hand are power and might; ♦  
yours it is to give power and strength to all.

5 And now we give you thanks, our God, ♦  
and praise your glorious name.

6 For all things come from you, ♦  
and of your own have we given you.

**All Glory to the Father and to the Son**

**and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning is now**

**and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**All Splendour and majesty are yours, O God;**

**you are exalted as head over all.**

### **Scripture Reading**

*One or more readings appointed for the day are read.*

*The reading(s) may be followed by a time of silence.*

### **Gospel Canticle**

*The Benedictus (The Song of Zechariah) is normally said,*

*Refrain:*

**All You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour,  
born of the house of your servant David.**

- 1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, ♦  
who has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, ♦  
born of the house of his servant David.
- 3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old ♦  
to save us from our enemies,  
from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4 To show mercy to our ancestors, ♦  
and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: ♦  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him without fear, ♦  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.
- 7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, ♦  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation ♦  
by the forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God ♦  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, ♦  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

**All** Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.

**All** You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour,  
born of the house of your servant David.

### Prayers

*Intercessions are offered*

¶ *for the day and its tasks*

¶ *for the world and its needs*

¶ *for the Church and her life*

*These responses may be used*

Lord, in your mercy

**hear our prayer.**

*(or)*

Lord, hear us.

**Lord, graciously hear us.**

*Silence may be kept.*

*The Collect of the day or the following is said*

God of glory,

by the raising of your Son

you have broken the chains of death and hell:

fill your Church with faith and hope;

for a new day has dawned

and the way to life stands open

in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**All** Amen.

*The Lord's Prayer is said*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**All** Our Father in heaven ...

*(or)*

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**All Our Father, who art in heaven ...**

**The Conclusion**

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,  
and keep us in eternal life.

**All Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**All Thanks be to God.**