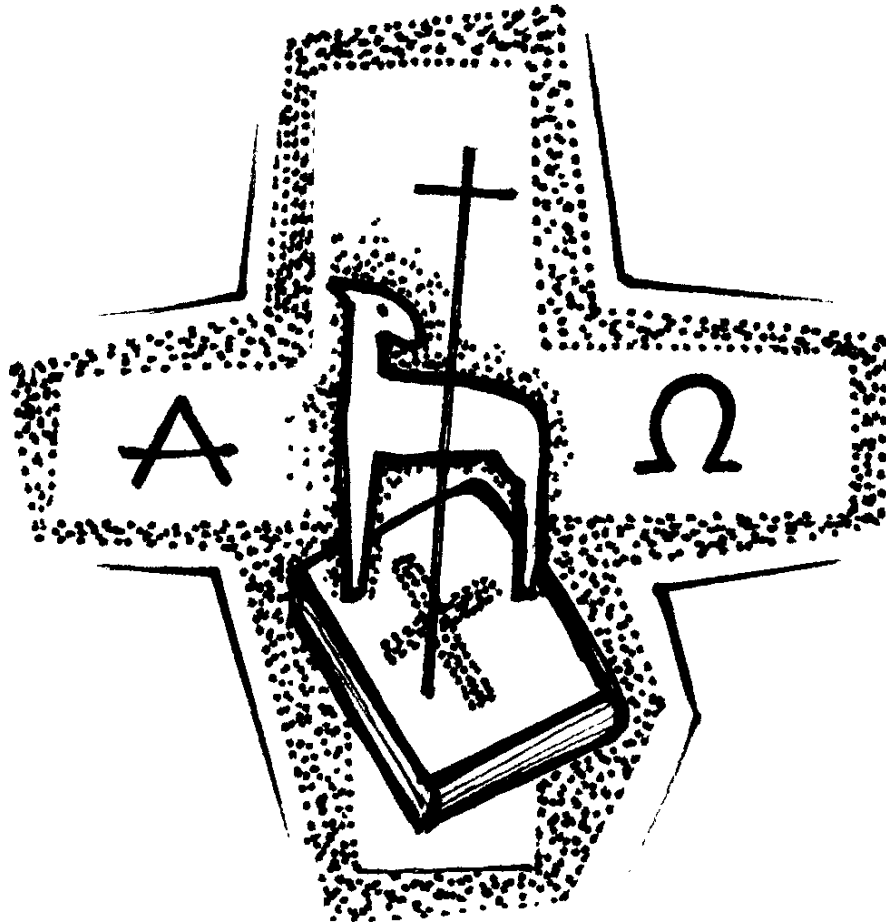


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MORNING WORSHIP

PREPARATION

We keep a quiet, devotional atmosphere in church before the start of the service, to prepare ourselves. You might find it helpful to use one of these prayers as a form of preparation.

God of our pilgrimage,
you have willed that the gate of mercy
should stand open for those who trust in you;
look upon us with your favour,
that we who follow the path of your will,
may never wander from the way of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Common Worship)

Gracious and holy Father, give us wisdom to perceive you,
diligence to seek you, patience to wait for you,
eyes to hold you, a heart to meditate on you,
and a life to proclaim you;
through the power of the Spirit of Jesus
Christ our Lord.

(Benedict c.480-c550)

Eternal Light, shine into our hearts;
Eternal Goodness, deliver us from all evil;
Eternal Power, be our support;
Eternal Wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance;
Eternal Pity, have mercy on us;
that with all our heart and mind and strength
we may seek your face, and be brought by your infinite mercy
to your holy presence;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(Alcuin of York c740 – 804)

We meet in the name of God:

God the Father,

God the Son,

God the Spirit:

God is one.

or

Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you
and also with you.

This is the day that the Lord has made.

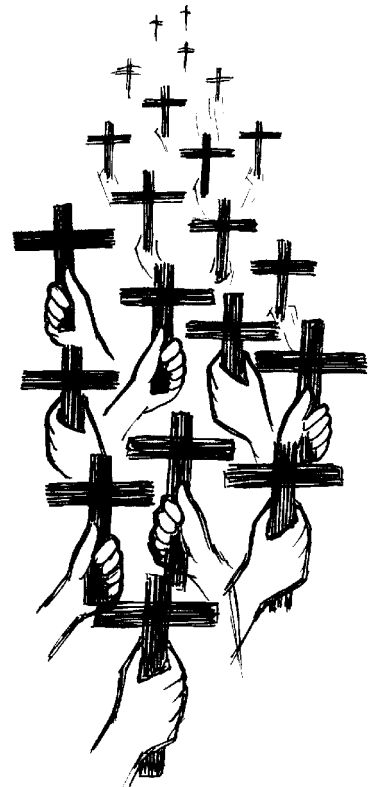
Let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Hymn

We have come together in the name of Christ
to offer our praise and thanksgiving,
to hear and receive God's holy word,
to pray for the needs of the world,
and to seek the forgiveness of our sins,
that by the power of the Holy Spirit
we may give ourselves to the service of God.

O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Give us the joy of your saving help
and sustain us with your life-giving Spirit.



THE CONFESSION

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'
So let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ,
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

Either A

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought, word and deed.**

We have not loved you with all our heart.

We have not loved our neighbour as ourselves.

**In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us to amend what we are,
and direct what we shall be;
that we may do justly, love mercy
and walk humbly with you, our God. Amen**



or B

**Almighty God, long-suffering and of great goodness:
I confess to you, I confess to you with my whole heart
my neglect and forgetfulness of your commandments,
my wrong doing, thinking and speaking;
the hurts I have done to others,
and the good I have left undone.
O God, forgive me, for I have sinned against you;
and raise me to newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen**

or C

God our Father, we come to you in sorrow for our sins.
For turning away from you, and ignoring your will for our lives;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For behaving just as we wish, without thinking of you;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For failing you by what we do, and think and say;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For letting ourselves be drawn away from you
by temptations in the world about us;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

For living as if we were ashamed to belong to your Son;
Father, forgive us:
save us and help us.

May the Father of all mercies
cleanse us from our sins,
and restore us in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Blessed is the Lord,
for he has heard the voice of our prayer;

Therefore shall our hearts dance for joy
and in our song we will praise our God.

THE WORD OF GOD

A Hymn may be sung or a Psalm / Canticle may be said.

THE FIRST READING

At the end the reader will say,
This is the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

A Hymn may be sung or a Psalm / Canticle may be said.

THE SECOND READING

At the end the reader will say:
This is the word of the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

SERMON, REFLECTION, GROUP ACTIVITIES OR MISSION FOCUS



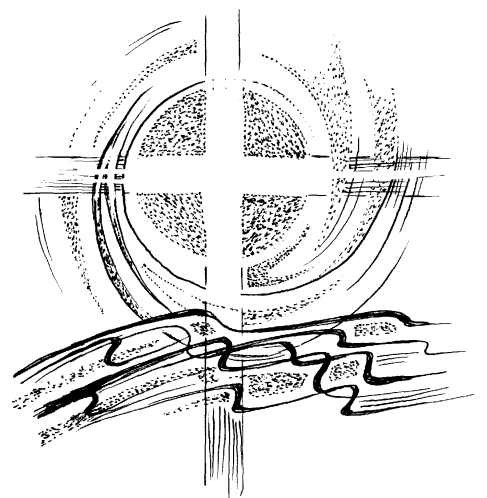
THE CREED

Either A

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 B

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**Though he was divine,
he did not cling to equality with God,
but made himself nothing.**

**Taking the form of a slave,
he was born in human likeness.**

**He humbled himself
and was obedient to death,
even the death of the cross.**

**Therefore God has raised him on high,
and given him the name above every name:**

**that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

PRAYERS

One of these responses may be used

In faith we pray
we pray to you our God.

God of love
hear our prayer.

Lord, in your mercy;
Hear our prayer.

The prayers may end with:
Merciful Father,
**accept our prayers,
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour, Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

THE COLLECT

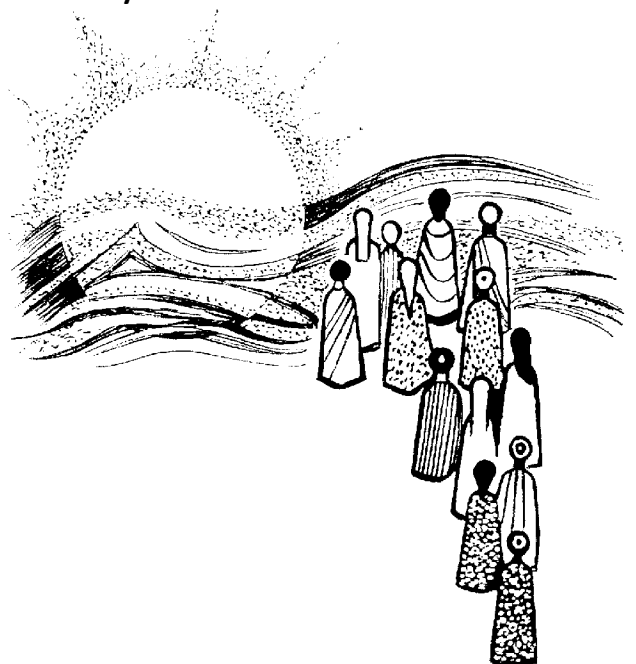
THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, as our Saviour has taught us, so we pray

**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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God,
we thank you that you have brought us safely
to the beginning of this day.
Keep us from falling into sin
or running into danger,
order us in all our doings
and guide us to do always
what is righteous in your sight;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

HYMN



A PRAYER OF DEDICATION

**Almighty God,
we thank you for the gift of your holy word.
May it be a lantern to our feet,
a light to our paths,
and a strength to our lives.
Take us and use us
to love and serve
in the power of the Holy Spirit
and in the name of your Son,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

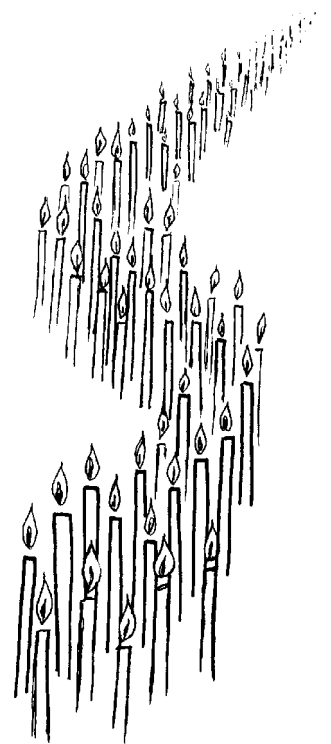
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Hymn

THE BLESSING

The love of the Lord Jesus
draw us to himself,
the power of the Lord Jesus
strengthen us in his service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill our hearts;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

**We go into the world
to walk in God's light,
to rejoice in God's love
and to reflect God's glory.**



VENITE (A SONG OF TRIUMPH PSALM 95)

- 1 O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us heartily rejoice in the rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving
and be glad in him with psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a great God
and a great king above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the depths of the earth
and the heights of the mountains are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands have moulded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us worship and bow down
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God;
we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand.

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.

JUBILATE (PSALM 100)

- 1 O be joyful in the Lord, all the earth;
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Know that the Lord is God;
it is he that has made us and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise;
give thanks to him and bless his name.
- 4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting,
and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

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.

A SONG OF DAVID (FROM 1 CHRONICLES)

- 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.

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.

NEW TESTAMENT CANTICLES

A SONG OF THE LAMB (FROM REVELATION 19)

- 1 Salvation and glory and power belong to our God,
whose judgements are true and just.
- 2 Praise our God, all you his servants,
all who fear him, both small and great.
- 3 The Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns:
let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.
- 4 For the marriage of the Lamb has come
and his bride has made herself ready.

5 Blessed are those who are invited
to the wedding banquet of the Lamb.

To the One who sits on the throne
and to the Lamb
be blessing and honour and glory and might,
for ever and ever. Amen.

THE SONG OF CHRIST'S GLORY (PHILIPPIANS 2.5-11)

- 1 Christ Jesus was in the form of God,
but he did not cling to equality with God.
- 2 He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant,
and was born in our human likeness.
- 3 Being found in human form he humbled himself,
and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross.
- 4 Therefore God has highly exalted him,
and bestowed on him the name above every name,
- 5 That at the name of Jesus, every knee should bow,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth;
- 6 And every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

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.

A SONG OF SALVATION (EPHESIANS 1.3-7)

[Response between each verse]

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Blessed are you, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ:
you have blessed us in Christ
with all the spiritual blessings of heaven.

2 Even before the world was made
you chose us to be yours in Christ:
to be holy and without blame.

3 In love you planned to adopt us:
as your children through Jesus Christ,

4 That we might praise your glorious grace:
your free gift to us in your beloved Son.

5 In Christ we gain redemption;
through his blood our sins are forgiven:
how rich is your grace!

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.

GREAT AND WONDERFUL (FROM REVELATION 15)

- 1 Great and wonderful are your deeds,
Lord God the Almighty.
- 2 Just and true are your ways,
O ruler of the nations.
- 3 Who shall not revere and praise your name, O Lord?
for you alone are holy.
- 4 All nations shall come and worship in your presence:
for your just dealings have been revealed.
- 5 To the One who sits on the throne and to the Lamb
be blessing and honour and glory and might, for ever
and ever. Amen.

BENEDICTUS (THE SONG OF ZECHARIAH, LUKE 1.68-79)

- 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.

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.

THE BEATITUDES (MATTHEW 5.3-12)

[Response: between each verse]

Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven.

- 1 Blessed are the poor in spirit:
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 2 Blessed are those who mourn:
for they shall be comforted.

- 3 Blessed are the gentle:
for they shall inherit the earth.
- 4 Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for what is right:
for they shall be satisfied.
- 5 Blessed are the merciful:
for mercy shall be shown to them.
- 6 Blessed are the pure in heart:
for they shall see God.
- 7 Blessed are the peacemakers:
for they shall be called children of God.
- 8 Blessed are those who are persecuted in the cause of right:
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
- 9 Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you:
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely for my sake.
- 10 Rejoice and be glad:
for your reward is great in heaven.

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.

MAGNIFICAT (THE SONG OF MARY LUKE 1.46-55)

- 1 My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour;
he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.
- 2 From this day all generations will call me blessed;
the Almighty has done great things for me
and holy is his name.
- 3 He has mercy on those who fear him,
from generation to generation.
- 4 He has shown strength with his arm
and has scattered the proud in their conceit,
- 5 Casting down the mighty from their thrones
and lifting up the lowly.
- 6 He has filled the hungry with good things
and sent the rich away empty.
- 7 He has come to the aid of his servant Israel,
to remember his promise of mercy,
- 8 The promise made to our ancestors,
to Abraham and his children for ever.

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.

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