

Midday Prayer from – A Disciple’s Prayer Book (Adapted)

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CHRIST HAS DIED

At Noon

THE GATHERING

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are
and all you bring to us for our visit
within your creation.

In Jesus, you place the Gospel
in the centre of this sacred circle
through which all creation is related.

You show us the way to live
a generous and compassionate life.

Give us your strength
to live together with respect and commitment
as we grow in your spirit,
for you are God, now and forever.
Amen.

A Gathering Psalm of Praise

Psalm 48

- 1 Great is the Lord and highly to be praised,
in the city of our God.
- 2 His holy mountain is fair and lifted high,
the joy of all the earth.
- 3 On Mount Zion, the divine dwelling place,
stands the city of the great king.
- 4 In her palaces God has shown himself
to be a sure refuge.
- 5 For behold, the kings of the earth assembled
and swept forward together.
- 6 They saw, and were dumbfounded;
dismayed, they fled in terror.
- 7 Trembling seized them there;
they writhed like a woman in labour,
as when the east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.

- 8 As we had heard, so have we seen
in the city of the Lord of hosts, the city of our God:
God has established her for ever.
- 9 We have waited on your loving-kindness, O God,
in the midst of your temple.
- 10 As with your name, O God,
so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth;
your right hand is full of justice.
- 11 Let Mount Zion rejoice and the daughters of Judah be glad,
because of your judgements, O Lord.
- 12 Walk about Zion and go round about her;
count all her towers;
consider well her bulwarks; pass through her citadels,
- 13 That you may tell those who come after
that such is our God for ever and ever.
It is he that shall be our guide for evermore.

GOSPEL of the DAY

Matthew 9.35-end

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

RESPONSE

Reflect and Respond to the Gospel of the Day:

1. *What word(s), idea(s), or sentence(s) stand out for you in the Gospel of the Day?*
2. *What is Jesus (the Gospel) saying to you?*
3. *What is Jesus (the Gospel) calling you to do?*

PRAYER

Individual and Group Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication (ACTS)

COLLECT

Almighty God,
who sent your Holy Spirit
to be the life and light of your Church:
open our hearts to the riches of your grace,
that we may bring forth the fruit of the Spirit
in love and joy and peace;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

God is with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

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.

Let us bless our loving God, Creator, Word, and Holy Spirit

Thanks be to God