

Thursday Morning Prayer Ordinary Time 2020

An Office of Gratitude and Penitence

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Gratitude

Let us begin our day together by offering our prayers of gratitude to God.

Prayers of gratitude are spoken or offered in the silence of our hearts...

A Collect for Harvest Thanksgiving (Book of Alternative Services)

Creator of the fruitful earth,
you made us stewards of all things.
Give us grateful hearts for all your goodness,
and steadfast wills to use your bounty well,
that the whole human family,
today and in generations to come,
may with us give thanks for the riches of your creation.
We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ the Lord.

Penitence

*Let me hear of your loving-kindness in the morning, for I put my trust in you;
show me the road that I must walk, for I lift up my soul to you. - Psalm 143.8*

Let us confess our sins
against God and our neighbour.

Bell. Silence is kept.

God of all mercy,
**we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore and strengthen us
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,
so that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

May the God of love and power +Forgive us and free us from our sins,
heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit
and raise us to new life in Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Morning Prayer

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Chanted or spoken.

Lord, open our lips,

and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us. ²¹⁵

Glory to You, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be.

World without end. Amen.

Invitatory Psalm: Psalm 67 (*if desired*)

O Holy One,

be gracious to us and bless us;

let your face shine among us,

so that your way may be known in the world,

your saving help among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God.

Indeed, let all peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,

for you judge with truth and justice,

and guide the nations of the world.

Let the peoples praise you, Holy One.

Indeed, let all peoples praise you.

May the earth yield its harvest.

May the Holy One, our God, bless us.

May God bless us,

and all the ends of the earth revere the Holy One

A Poem or Hymn may be said or sung here.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Psalm of The Day (*spoken or chanted*)

The Reading of the Day (usually the Eucharistic gospel reading for today)

A reading from the Gospel

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Bell. Silence. Bell.

A sharing of what God calls us into being or doing through the words of these ancient scriptures may be offered.

The Responsory (*spoken*)

Fear not, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name; you are mine.

Fear not, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name; you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you.

When you walk through fire, you shall not be burned.

Fear not, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name; you are mine.

You are precious in my sight and I love you.

Do not fear, for I am with you.

Fear not, for I have redeemed you.

I have called you by name; you are mine.

Affirmation of Faith (*please stand in body or spirit*)

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father (or 'Our Parent', if you prefer) **almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 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 OF THE COMMUNITY

The Litany (if desired)

God who restores us, may your people be true and faithful servants of Christ.

Source of life, hear our prayer.

Bring those who are drawing near to the light of faith to true knowledge of you.

Source of life, hear our prayer.

Give our families and friends joy and satisfaction in all that they do.

Source of life, hear our prayer.

Comfort and sustain those who are lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted or ignored.

Source of life, hear our prayer.

Help us to contribute to the well-being of our creation.

Source of life, hear our prayer.

Empower the whole human family to live together in justice and peace.

Source of life, hear our prayer.

Additional spoken or silent intercessions, petitions and thanksgivings may be offered in silence or aloud

Collect of the Day *(if desired)*

The Lord's Prayer

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

(in this translation, or a translation or paraphrase of your choice)

**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.**

THE SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

May God our Redeemer show us compassion and love.

Amen.

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