

Midday Prayer – Sunday (can be used daily in Easter)

An order adapted from Celebrating Common Prayer: Society of St Francis

*You are welcome to respond with the parts in **bold type***

Preparation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia

God is with you

And also with you

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to God, Creator, Word, Spirit

As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen .

Alleluia!

A HYMN may be sung or said, the following or some other.

To God our Father, thanks and praise

For this, the first and dawn of days:

The day when through your word of might

From chaos was created light.

The day on which your well-loved Son

O'er death and hell the triumph won;

The day on which the Spirit came,

Your gift to us, in wind and flame.

To you, our Father, through your Son,

And in the Spirit, Three in One:

We, new-created on this day,

New songs of love and glory pay. Amen.

The Word of God

Psalmody

Psalm 145

1 I will exalt you, O God my King, *
and bless your name for ever and ever.

- 2 Every day will I bless you *
and praise your name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the Lord and highly to be praised; *
his greatness is beyond all searching out.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another *
and declare your mighty acts.
- 5 They shall speak of the majesty of your glory, *
and I will tell of all your wonderful deeds.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your marvellous acts, *
and I will also tell of your greatness.
- 7 They shall pour forth the story of your abundant kindness *
and joyfully sing of your righteousness.
- 8 The Lord is gracious and merciful, *
long-suffering and of great goodness.

Glory to God, Creator, Word, Spirit

As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen .

Short Reading

Isaiah 43.1-3a

- ¹But now thus says the Lord,
he who created you, O Jacob,
he who formed you, O Israel:
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have called you by name, you are mine.
- ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;
and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;
when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,
and the flame shall not consume you.
- ³For I am the Lord your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Saviour.

Hear what the Spirit is saying

Thanks be to God

Responsory

Blessèd are you, O God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
We give you praise and honour for ever.

For you have loved us from all eternity,
And remembered us when we were in trouble.

Blessèd are you, Lord Jesus Christ,
Who, for our salvation, came down from heaven.

By the power of the Holy Spirit,
You became incarnate of the Virgin Mary.

You loosed us from our sins by your own blood:
And on the third day rose from the dead.

You ascended up on high,
And opened wide for us the everlasting doors.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father
And ever live to intercede for us.

Blessèd are you, O God: Source of all being,
eternal Word and Spirit of life;
We give you praise and honour for ever.

The Collect

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity..**Amen**

The Disciples Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray as Jesus taught his friends:
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 forever.
Amen**

Blessing

May the risen Christ give us peace.
Amen.

Let us bless our Loving God.
Thanks be to God.