Morning Prayer For Monday

The Preparation

The God of heaven has made his home on earth.

**Christ dwells among us and is one with us.**

The highest of all creation lives among the least.

**Christ journeys with the rejected and welcomes the weary**.

Come now all who thirst

**and drink the water of life.**

Come now all who hunger

**and be filled with good things.**

Come now all who seek

**and be warmed by the fire of love.**

The Opening Prayer

Come, Lord, come to us.

Enter our darkness with your light,

Fill our emptiness with your presence,

Come refresh, restore, renew us.

In our sadness, come as joy,

In our troubles, come as peace,

In our fearfulness, come as hope,

In our darkness, come as light,

In our frailty, come as strength,

In our loneliness come as love,

Come, refresh, restore, renew us.

The Word of God

**1**
1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of
the wicked, \*
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, \*
and they meditate on his law day and night.

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*
everything they do shall prosper.

4 It is not so with the wicked; \*
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when
judgment comes, \*
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, \*
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Confession and Absolution:

**God our Father,**

**long-suffering, full of grace and truth,**

**you create us from nothing and give us life.**

**You give your faithful people new life in the water of baptism.**

**You do not turn your face from us, nor cast us aside.**

**We confess that we have sinned**

**against you and against our neighbour.**

**We have wounded your love and marred your image in us.**

**Restore us for the sake of your Son,**

**and bring us to heavenly joy,**

**in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

**Amen.**

May the God of love bring us back to himself,

forgive us our sins,

and assure us of his eternal love

in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gospel Reading

## Reading Of The Gospel

Gospel Reader:The Lord be with you.

**All: And also with you.**

Gospel Reader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**All: Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said, ‘Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

‘I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.

Gospel Reader: The Gospel of Christ.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Collect:**

**O God, by your Word you marvellously carry out the work of reconciliation: Grant that in our life journey we may be devoted to you with all our hearts, and united with one another in prayer and holy love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.***

**Intercessions:**

And to the Refrain: God of love

Please respond: **Hear our Prayer**

Holy One

We feel your presence amongst us

Still us, calm us

Help us to breath in, the warmth and beauty of your love…and to breathe out any tensions or worries that may be cluttering our minds.

Help us to discern your voice as we journey through this life

Draw us into your transforming light, and enfold us in the power of your love.

God of love: **Hear our Prayer**

We walk our journey with families and communities; loved ones and friends.

May we draw strength , from you, in good and in difficult times

God of love: **Hear our Prayer**

We walk in a world filled with pain and grief; beauty and grandeur. Help us not to forget that we are all your beloved children. Help us to come together to help each other, to do your will.

God of love: **Hear our Prayer**

We walk with wounds to be healed

We pray for the courage to let go of whatever is preventing us to move forward in our lives. To allow ourselves to be drawn into quiet times of reflection; to see the wisdom and truth that our wounded times offer up to us.

God of love: **Hear our Prayer**

We offer up to you, in prayer, those who are sick, hospitalized, lonely and forgotten; who or are shut-in or marginalized due to mental, physical or emotional illness especially…

God of love: **Hear our Prayer**

We enfold in prayer those who have passed before us and no longer walk this earth, especially…; those who are left behind and grieve a loss. In the silence of our hearts we offer up our prayers to you.

God of love: **Hear our Prayer**

Trusted guide & wise companion,

Strengthen us, empower us;

Help us to be open to the unexpected.

Help us to be transformed by your life-giving holy spirit

That leads us into the joy that is your light and love.

Amen

As our Saviour 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.**

The Grace: **The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all, evermore. Amen.**

**The Blessing**