

☩ Morning Prayer on Monday

Monday, 12 July 2021

Preparation

O Lord, open our lips

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

[The Acclamation of Christ at the Dawning of the Day \(page 108\)](#) may replace the Preparation as the start of Morning Prayer on any occasion.

One or more of the following is said or sung:

One of these prayers of thanksgiving (page 109),

Blessed are you, Sovereign God, creator of all,
to you be glory and praise for ever.

You founded the earth in the beginning

and the heavens are the work of your hands.

In the fullness of time you made us in your image,

and in these last days you have spoken to us

in your Son Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.

As we rejoice in the gift of your presence among us

let the light of your love always shine in our hearts,

your Spirit ever renew our lives

and your praises ever be on our lips.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All Blessed be God for ever.

(or)

Blessed are you, creator of all,

to you be praise and glory for ever.

As your dawn renews the face of the earth

bringing light and life to all creation,

may we rejoice in this day you have made;

as we wake refreshed from the depths of sleep,

open our eyes to behold your presence

and strengthen our hands to do your will,
that the world may rejoice and give you praise.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All Blessed be God for ever.

after Lancelot Andrewes (1626)

or a suitable hymn,

or A Song of God's Compassion

1 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy,
slow to anger and of great kindness.

2 He will not always accuse us,
neither will he keep his anger for ever.

3 He has not dealt with us according to our sins,
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.

4 For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his mercy upon those who fear him.

5 As far as the east is from the west,
so far has he set our sins from us.

6 As a father has compassion on his children,
so is the Lord merciful towards those who fear him.

7 For he knows of what we are made;
he remembers that we are but dust.

8 Our days are but as grass;
we flourish as a flower of the field;

9 For as soon as the wind goes over it, it is gone,
and its place shall know it no more.

10 But the merciful goodness of the Lord is from of old
and endures for ever on those who fear him,
and his righteousness on children's children;

11 On those who keep his covenant
and remember his commandments to do them.

Psalm 103:8-18

All 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.

This opening prayer may be said

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;

let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,

so may the light of your presence, O God,

set our hearts on fire with love for you;

now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Word of God

Psalmody

The appointed psalmody is said.

Psalm 123

Refrain: Our eyes wait upon the Lord our God.

1 To you I lift up my eyes, □

to you that are enthroned in the heavens.

2 As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their master, □

or the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,

3 So our eyes wait upon the Lord our God, □

until he have mercy upon us. R

4 Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy upon us, □

for we have had more than enough of contempt.

5 Our soul has had more than enough of the scorn of the arrogant, □

and of the contempt of the proud.

Refrain: Our eyes wait upon the Lord our God.

Sovereign God, enthroned in the heavens,

look upon us with your eyes of mercy,

as we look on you with humility and love,

and fill our souls with your peace

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 124

Refrain: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

1 If the Lord himself had not been on our side,[□]
now may Israel say;

2 If the Lord had not been on our side,[□]
when enemies rose up against us;

3 Then would they have swallowed us alive[□]
when their anger burned against us;

4 Then would the waters have overwhelmed us
and the torrent gone over our soul;[□]
over our soul would have swept the raging waters. R

5 But blessed be the Lord[□]
who has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.

6 Our soul has escaped
as a bird from the snare of the fowler;[□]
the snare is broken and we are delivered.

7 Our help is in the name of the Lord,[□]
who has made heaven and earth.

Refrain: Our help is in the name of the Lord.

O God, maker of heaven and earth,
you save us in the water of baptism
and by the suffering of your Son you set us free;
help us to put our trust in his victory

and to know the salvation won for us
by Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 125

Refrain: Glorious things are spoken of you,
Zion, city of our God.

1 Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,[□]
which cannot be moved, but stands fast for ever.

2 As the hills stand about Jerusalem,[□]
so the Lord stands round about his people,
from this time forth for evermore.

3 The sceptre of wickedness shall not hold sway
over the land allotted to the righteous,[□]
lest the righteous turn their hands to evil.

4 Do good, O Lord, to those who are good,[□]
and to those who are true of heart.

5 Those who turn aside to crooked ways
the Lord shall take away with the evildoers;[□]
but let there be peace upon Israel.

Refrain: Glorious things are spoken of you,
Zion, city of our God.

God of power,
you are strong to save
and you never fail those who trust in you;
keep us under your protection
and spread abroad your reign of peace
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Psalm 126

Refrain: The Lord has indeed done great things for us.

1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,[□]
then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter[□]
and our tongue with songs of joy.

3 Then said they among the nations,[□]
'The Lord has done great things for them.'

4 The Lord has indeed done great things for us,[□]
and therefore we rejoiced. R

5 Restore again our fortunes, O Lord,[□]
as the river beds of the desert.

6 Those who sow in tears[□]
shall reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed,[□]
will come back with shouts of joy,
bearing their sheaves with them.

Refrain: The Lord has indeed done great things for us.

Lord, as you send rain and flowers
even to the wilderness,
renew us by your Holy Spirit,
help us to sow good seed in time of adversity
and to live to rejoice in your good harvest of all creation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Each psalm or group of psalms may end with

All 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.

If there are two Scripture readings, the first may be read here, or both may be read after the canticle.

Ezekiel 10.1-19

Then I looked, and above the dome that was over the heads of the cherubim there appeared above them something like a sapphire, in form resembling a throne. He said to the man clothed in linen, 'Go within the wheel-work underneath the cherubim; fill your hands with burning coals from among the cherubim, and scatter them over the city.' He went in as I looked on. Now the cherubim were standing on the south side of the house when the man went in; and a cloud filled the inner court. Then the glory of the Lord rose up from the cherub to the threshold of the house; the house was filled with the cloud, and the court was full of the

brightness of the glory of the Lord. The sound of the wings of the cherubim was heard as far as the outer court, like the voice of God Almighty when he speaks.

When he commanded the man clothed in linen, 'Take fire from within the wheel-work, from among the cherubim', he went in and stood beside a wheel. And a cherub stretched out his hand from among the cherubim to the fire that was among the cherubim, took some of it, and put it into the hands of the man clothed in linen, who took it and went out. The cherubim appeared to have the form of a human hand under their wings.

I looked, and there were four wheels beside the cherubim, one beside each cherub; and the appearance of the wheels was like gleaming beryl. And as for their appearance, the four looked alike, something like a wheel within a wheel. When they moved, they moved in any of the four directions without veering as they moved; but in whatever direction the front wheel faced, the others followed without veering as they moved. Their entire body, their rims, their spokes, their wings, and the wheels—the wheels of the four of them—were full of eyes all round. As for the wheels, they were called in my hearing 'the wheel-work'. Each one had four faces: the first face was that of the cherub, the second face was that of a human being, the third that of a lion, and the fourth that of an eagle.

The cherubim rose up. These were the living creatures that I saw by the river Chebar. When the cherubim moved, the wheels moved beside them; and when the cherubim lifted up their wings to rise up from the earth, the wheels at their side did not veer. When they stopped, the others stopped, and when they rose up, the others rose up with them; for the spirit of the living creatures was in them.

Then the glory of the Lord went out from the threshold of the house and stopped above the cherubim. The cherubim lifted up their wings and rose up from the earth in my sight as they went out with the wheels beside them. They stopped at the entrance of the east gate of the house of the Lord; and the glory of the God of Israel was above them.

Canticle

A Song of Deliverance, or another suitable canticle, for example, [number 40 \(page 591\)](#), may be said

Refrain:

All the earth, shout and sing for joy,
for great in your midst is the Holy One.

1 'Behold, God is my salvation; □

I will trust and will not be afraid;

2 'For the Lord God is my strength and my song, □

and has become my salvation.'

3 With joy you will draw water □

from the wells of salvation.

4 On that day you will say, □

'Give thanks to the Lord, call upon his name;

5 'Make known his deeds among the nations, □

proclaim that his name is exalted.

6'Sing God's praises, who has triumphed gloriously; □

let this be known in all the world.

7'Shout and sing for joy, you that dwell in Zion, □

for great in your midst is the Holy One of Israel.'

Isaiah 12.2-6

AllGlory 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.

AllAll the earth, shout and sing for joy,

for great in your midst is the Holy One.

Scripture Reading

One or more readings appointed for the day are read.

The reading(s) may be followed by a time of silence.

2 Corinthians 6.1-7.1

As we work together with him, we urge you also not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says,

'At an acceptable time I have listened to you,

and on a day of salvation I have helped you.'

See, now is the acceptable time; see, now is the day of salvation! We are putting no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we have commended ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labours, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, holiness of spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honour and dishonour, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet are well known; as dying, and see—we are alive; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

We have spoken frankly to you Corinthians; our heart is wide open to you. There is no restriction in our affections, but only in yours. In return—I speak as to children—open wide your hearts also.

Do not be mismatched with unbelievers. For what partnership is there between righteousness and lawlessness? Or what fellowship is there between light and darkness? What agreement does Christ have with Beliar? Or what does a believer share with an unbeliever? What agreement has the temple of God with idols? For we are the temple of the living God; as God said,

'I will live in them and walk among them,

and I will be their God,
and they shall be my people.
Therefore come out from them,
and be separate from them, says the Lord,
and touch nothing unclean;
then I will welcome you,
and I will be your father,
and you shall be my sons and daughters,
says the Lord Almighty.'

Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and of spirit, making holiness perfect in the fear of God.

A suitable song or chant, or a responsory in this or another form, may follow

Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
and be not wise in your own sight.

All Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
and be not wise in your own sight.

In all your ways acknowledge him
and he will make straight your paths.

All Trust in the Lord with all your heart.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.

All Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
and be not wise in your own sight.

from Proverbs 3

Gospel Canticle

The Benedictus (The Song of Zechariah) is normally said,
or the [Te Deum Laudamus \(A Song of the Church\)](#) (page 636) may be said

Refrain:

All You have set us free to worship you without fear,
holy and righteous in your sight.

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.

3Through his holy prophets God promised of old

to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all that hate us,

4To show mercy to our ancestors,
and to remember his holy covenant.

5This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

6Free to worship him without fear,

holy and righteous in his sight

all the days of our life.

7And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

8To give his people knowledge of salvation

by the forgiveness of all their sins.

9In the tender compassion of our God

the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

10To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,

and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1.68-79

AllGlory 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.

Refrain:

AllYou have set us free to worship you without fear,

holy and righteous in your sight.

Prayers

Intercessions are offered

¶ for the day and its tasks

¶ for the world and its needs

¶

for the Church and her life

Prayers may include the following concerns from the [cycle on pages 362–363](#)

- ¶ The media and the arts
- ¶ Farming and fishing
- ¶ Commerce and industry
- ¶ Those whose work is unfulfilling, stressful or fraught with danger
- ¶ All who are unemployed

One of the forms of prayer found [on pages 362–371](#) may be used.

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer

(or)

Lord, hear us.
Lord, graciously hear us.

Silence may be kept.

The Collect of the day is said

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
such good things as pass our understanding:
pour into our hearts such love toward you
that we, loving you in all things and above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
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.
All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All 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.

(or)

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All 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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.

The Conclusion

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,
and keep us in eternal life.
All Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

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