

## ✠ Morning Prayer on Tuesday

Tuesday, 12 July 2022

### 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 Righteousness

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, â€¦  
and all that is within me bless his holy name.

2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, â€¦  
and forget not all his benefits;

3 Who forgives all your sins â€¦  
and heals all your infirmities;

4 Who redeems your life from the Pit â€¦  
and crowns you with faithful love and compassion;

5 Who satisfies you with good things, â€¦  
so that your youth is renewed like an eagle's.

6 The Lord executes righteousness â€¦  
and judgement for all who are oppressed.

7 He made his ways known to Moses â€¦  
and his works to the children of Israel.

8 The Lord has established his throne in heaven, â€¦  
and his kingdom has dominion over all.

9 Bless the Lord, you angels of his, â€¦  
you mighty ones who do his bidding  
and hearken to the voice of his word.

10 Bless the Lord, all you his hosts, â€¦  
you ministers of his who do his will.

11 Bless the Lord, all you works of his,  
in all places of his dominion; â€¦

bless the Lord, O my soul.

Psalm 103.1-7, 19-22

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 87**

Refrain: The Lord has chosen Zion for himself.

1 His foundation is on the holy mountains. *Antiphona*

The Lord loves the gates of Zion

more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

2 Glorious things are spoken of you, *Antiphona*

Zion, city of our God.

3 I record Egypt and Babylon as those who know me; *Antiphona*

behold Philistia, Tyre and Ethiopia:

in Zion were they born.

4 And of Zion it shall be said, "Each one was born in her,"  
and the Most High himself has established her.

5 The Lord will record as he writes up the peoples,  
"This one also was born there."

6 And as they dance they shall sing,  
"All my fresh springs are in you."

Refrain: The Lord has chosen Zion for himself.

Lord, as you call us to your city  
founded on the rock of ages,  
let the springs of living water  
rise within us to eternal life;  
in Jesus Christ our Lord.

## Psalm 89.1-18

Refrain: Truly the Lord is our shield.

1 My song shall be always of the loving-kindness of the Lord;  
with my mouth will I proclaim your faithfulness  
throughout all generations.

2 I will declare that your love is established for ever;  
you have set your faithfulness as firm as the heavens.

3 For you said: "I have made a covenant with my chosen one,  
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:

"Your seed will I establish for ever,  
and build up your throne for all generations."

5 The heavens praise your wonders, O Lord,  
and your faithfulness in the assembly of the holy ones;

6 For who among the clouds can be compared to the Lord?  
Who is like the Lord among the host of heaven?

7 A God feared in the council of the holy ones,  
great and terrible above all those round about him.

8 Who is like you, Lord God of hosts?

Mighty Lord, your faithfulness is all around you.Â R

9 You rule the raging of the sea;Â â!;  
you still its waves when they arise.

10 You crushed Rahab with a deadly woundÂ â!;  
and scattered your enemies with your mighty arm.

11 Yours are the heavens; the earth also is yours;Â â!;  
you established the world and all that fills it.

12 You created the north and the south;Â â!;  
Tabor and Hermon rejoice in your name.Â R

13 You have a mighty arm;Â â!;  
strong is your hand and high is your right hand.

14 Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;Â â!;  
steadfast love and faithfulness go before your face.

15 Happy are the people who know the shout of triumph:Â â!;  
they walk, O Lord, in the light of your countenance.

16 In your name they rejoice all the day longÂ â!;  
and are exalted in your righteousness.

17 For you are the glory of their strength,Â â!;  
and in your favour you lift up our heads.

18 Truly the Lord is our shield;Â â!;  
the Holy One of Israel is our king.

Refrain: Truly the Lord is our shield.

As we sing of your love, O Lord,  
anoint us with the Spirit's seal,  
that we may praise your faithfulness  
and proclaim your truth from age to age;  
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.

## Judges 14

Once Samson went down to Timnah, and at Timnah he saw a Philistine woman. Then he came up, and told his father and mother, "I saw a Philistine woman at Timnah; now get her for me as my wife." But his father and mother said to him, "Is there not a woman among your kin, or among all our people, that you must go to take a wife from the uncircumcised Philistines?" But Samson said to his father, "Get her for me, because she pleases me." His father and mother did not know that this was from the Lord; for he was seeking a pretext to act against the Philistines. At that time the Philistines had dominion over Israel.

Then Samson went down with his father and mother to Timnah. When he came to the vineyards of Timnah, suddenly a young lion roared at him. The spirit of the Lord rushed on him, and he tore the lion apart with his bare hands as one might tear apart a kid. But he did not tell his father or his mother what he had done. Then he went down and talked with the woman, and she pleased Samson. After a while he returned to marry her, and he turned aside to see the carcass of the lion, and there was a swarm of bees in the body of the lion, and honey. He scraped it out into his hands, and went on, eating as he went. When he came to his father and mother, he gave some to them, and they ate it. But he did not tell them that he had taken the honey from the carcass of the lion.

His father went down to the woman, and Samson made a feast there as the young men were accustomed to do. When the people saw him, they brought thirty companions to be with him. Samson said to them, "Let me now put a riddle to you. If you can explain it to me within the seven days of the feast, and find it out, then I will give you thirty linen garments and thirty festal garments. But if you cannot explain it to me, then you shall give me thirty linen garments and thirty festal garments." So they said to him, "Ask your riddle; let us hear it." He said to them,

"Out of the eater came something to eat.

Out of the strong came something sweet."

But for three days they could not explain the riddle.

On the fourth day they said to Samson's wife, "Coax your husband to explain the riddle to us, or we will burn you and your father's house with fire. Have you invited us here to impoverish us?" So Samson's wife wept before him, saying, "You hate me; you do not really love me. You have asked a riddle of my people, but you have not explained it to me." He said to her, "Look, I have not told my father or my mother. Why should I tell you?" She wept before him for the seven days that their feast lasted; and because she nagged him, on the seventh day he told her. Then she explained the riddle to her people. The men of the town said to him on the seventh day before the sun went down,

"What is sweeter than honey?

What is stronger than a lion?"

And he said to them,

"If you had not ploughed with my heifer,

you would not have found out my riddle."

Then the spirit of the Lord rushed on him, and he went down to Ashkelon. He killed thirty men of the town, took their spoil, and gave the festal garments to those who had explained the riddle. In hot anger he went back to his father's house. And Samson's wife was given to his companion, who had been his best man.

## Canticle

A Song of Peace, or another suitable canticle, for example, [number 26 \(page 577\)](#), may be said

Refrain:

All Spirit of God, teach us your ways,  
that we may walk in the paths of peace.

1 Come, let us go up to the mountain of God, â€¦  
to the house of the God of Jacob;

2 That God may teach us his ways, â€¦  
and that we may walk in his paths.

3 For the law shall go out from Zion, â€¦  
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.

4 God shall judge between the nations, â€¦  
and shall mediate for many peoples.

5 They shall beat their swords into ploughshares, â€¦  
and their spears into pruning hooks.

6 Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, â€¦  
neither shall they learn war any more.

7 O people of Jacob, come: â€¦  
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

Isaiah 2.3-5

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.

All Spirit of God, teach us your ways,  
that we may walk in the paths of peace.

### **Scripture Reading**

One or more readings appointed for the day are read.

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

## Luke 18.1-14

Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.' And the Lord said, 'Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?'"

He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax-collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax-collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax-collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

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

Open my eyes, O Lord

that I may see the wonders of your law.

All Open my eyes, O Lord

that I may see the wonders of your law.

Lead me in the path of your commandments

All that I may see the wonders of your law.

Glory to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit.

All Open my eyes, O Lord

that I may see the wonders of your law.

from Psalm 119

## Gospel Cantic

The Benedictus (The Song of Zechariah) is normally said,

or [The Song of Christ's Glory \(page 619\)](#) may be said

Refrain:

All In your tender compassion, O God,

the dawn from on high shall break upon us.

1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, ';

who has come to his people and set them free.



2He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, â€¦  
born of the house of his servant David.

3Through his holy prophets God promised of old â€¦  
to save us from our enemies,  
from the hands of all that hate us,

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

5This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: â€¦  
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

6Free to worship him without fear, â€¦  
holy and righteous in his sight  
all the days of our life.

7And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, â€¦  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

8To give his people knowledge of salvation â€¦  
by the forgiveness of all their sins.

9In the tender compassion of our God â€¦  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

10To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, â€¦  
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:

AllIn your tender compassion, O God,  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us.

## Prayers

Intercessions are offered

for the day and its tasks

Â¶ for the world and its needs

Â¶ for the Church and her life

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

Â¶ All who are sick in body, mind or spirit

Â¶ Those in the midst of famine or disaster

Â¶ Victims of abuse and violence, intolerance and prejudice

Â¶ Those who are bereaved

Â¶ All who work in the medical and healing professions

One of the forms of prayer found [on pages 362â€¦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

O God, the protector of all who trust in you,  
without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy:

increase and multiply upon us your mercy;

that with you as our ruler and guide

we may so pass through things temporal

that we lose not our hold on things eternal;

grant this, heavenly Father,

for our Lord Jesus Christ's sake,

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.

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Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

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