

The General Synod of the Church of England



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Worship

FEBRUARY 2023

Acts of Worship

Monday 6 February

11.30am	Holy Communion	Synod Chaplain
1.45pm	Prayer During the Day	Synod Chaplain
6.45pm	Evening Prayer (BCP)	The Revd Gary Waddington

Tuesday 7 February

9.00 am	Holy Communion	Archbishop of Canterbury Preacher Archbishop of York
7.00 pm	Evening Worship	Canon Linda Ali

Wednesday 8 February

8:00 am	Holy Communion	Westminster Abbey
9.15 am	Morning Worship	Community of St Anselm
1.05 pm	Holy Communion	Synod Chaplain
7.00pm	Evening Worship	The Revd Graham Hunter

Thursday 9 February

8:00 am	Holy Communion	Westminster Abbey
9.15 am	Morning Worship from the Iona Community	The Revd Nicki Pennington
1.05 pm	Holy Communion	Synod Chaplain

A note on Posture

As human beings we worship with our bodies as well as our words and prayers. During our worship this Synod, the minister will issue the invitation to sit or stand as appropriate. Please see these as merely invitations and adopt the posture you find most helpful and comfortable during worship.

Monday 6 February 2023

Prayer During the Day

Preparation

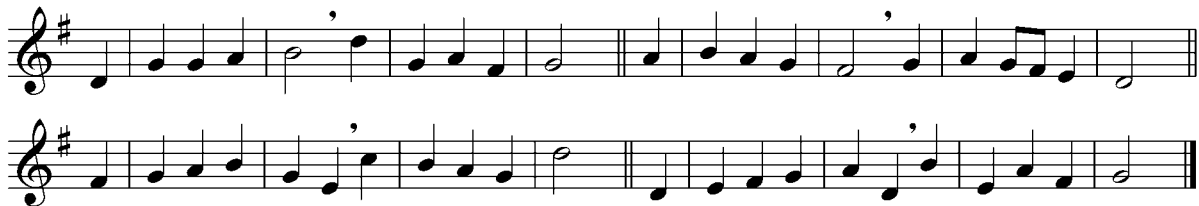
Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you
All and also with you.

Let the words of my mouth
and the meditation of my heart
**All be acceptable in your sight, O Lord,
my strength and my redeemer.**

Psalm 19.14

Brothers and sisters,
we gather for this Synod in Christ's name. Welcome!
We have come from many places,
bringing all that unites us
and seeking common ground where there is difference.
In this place where paths cross and people meet,
let us worship the King and sing of his power and love.

Praise



O worship the King all glorious above;
O gratefully sing his power and his love;
our shield and defender, the Ancient of days,
pavilioned in splendour and girded with praise.

O tell of his might, O sing of his grace,
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space;
his chariots of wrath the deep thunder clouds form,
and dark is his path on the wings of the storm.

This earth, with its store of wonders untold,
almighty, thy power hath founded of old;
hath stablished it fast by a changeless decree,
and round it hath cast, like a mantle, the sea.

O measureless Might, ineffable Love,
while angels delight to hymn thee above,
thy humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
with true adoration shall sing to thy praise.

Words: Robert Grant (1779-1838)
Music: HANOVER William Croft (1678-1727)

The Word of God

Psalmody

- 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.
- 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.

Psalm 126

**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.**

Scripture Reading

The Lord called me before I was born, while I was in my mother's womb he named me. He made my mouth like a sharp sword, in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow, in his quiver he hid me away. And he said to me, 'You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.'

But I said, 'I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my cause is with the Lord, and my reward with my God.'

Isaiah 49.1b-4

Response

A time of silence follows the reading

Jesus said, I am the true vine.

**All My Father is glorified by this,
that you bear much fruit.**

John 15.1a,8

Prayers

In peace, let us pray to Jesus our Lord,
who ever lives to make intercession for us.

All Your Kingdom come,
Your will be done.

Saviour of the world,
be present in all places of suffering, violence and pain,
and bring hope even in the darkest night.
Inspire us to continue your work of reconciliation today.

All Your Kingdom come,
Your will be done.

Lord of the Church,
empower by your Spirit all Christian people,
and the work of your Church in every land.
Give us grace to proclaim the gospel joyfully
in word and deed.

All Your Kingdom come,
Your will be done.

Shepherd and guardian of our souls,
guide and enable all who lead and serve this nation
and her communities,
and those on whom we depend for our daily needs.
Grant that we may seek the peace and welfare of this nation.

All Your Kingdom come,
Your will be done.

Great physician,
stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness and peace
to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.

Fill us with compassion,
that we may be channels of your healing love.

All Your Kingdom come,
Your will be done.

Conqueror of death,
remember for good those whom we love but see no longer.
Help us to live this day in the sure and certain hope
of your eternal victory.

All Your Kingdom come,
Your will be done.

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,
to the mercy and protection of God.

All **Amen.**

The Collect

Eternal light, shine into our hearts,
eternal goodness, deliver us from evil,
eternal power, be our support,
eternal wisdom, scatter the darkness of our ignorance,
eternal pity, have mercy upon us;
that with all our heart and mind and soul and strength
we may seek your face and be brought
by your infinite mercy to your holy presence;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Alcuin of York (804)

The Lord's Prayer

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.**

The Conclusion

All **May God bless the work of our hands.
Amen.**

Monday 6 February 2023
An Order for Evening Prayer
according to the Book of Common Prayer

Preparation

O Lord, open thou our lips.

All And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

All O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son:

and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

All The Lord's Name be praised.

Psalm



I call to you, my Rock:
Lord, hear my earnest prayer –
if you ignore my plea
how can I not despair?
As I reach out, make this the place
of fresh encounters with your grace.

May I be spared the fate
of those who cling to sin,
whose friendly words belie
malicious thoughts within –
would ruin not be my reward
if I should disregard you, Lord?

But you have heard my prayer,
and you will make me strong:
since I rely on you
my heart is filled with song,
for you, Lord, are my sanctuary,
your people's hope eternally.

Psalm 28

Words: Martin Leckebusch (b.1963)

Music: LITTLE CORNARD Martin Shaw (1875-1958)

The Reading

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favouritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, 'Have a seat here, please', while to the one who is poor you say, 'Stand there', or, 'Sit at my feet', have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonoured the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you?

You do well if you really fulfil the royal law according to the scripture, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. For the one who said, 'You shall not commit adultery', also said, 'You shall not murder.' Now if you do not commit adultery but if you murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are to be judged by the law of liberty. For judgement will be without mercy to anyone who has shown no mercy; mercy triumphs over judgement.

James 2.1-13

Gospel Cantic

- 1 My soul doth magnify the Lord :
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
- 2 For he hath regarded :
the lowliness of his handmaiden.
- 3 For behold, from henceforth :
all generations shall call me blessed.
- 4 For he that is mighty hath magnified me :
and holy is his Name.

- 5 And his mercy is on them that fear him :
throughout all generations.
- 6 He hath shewed strength with his arm :
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
- 7 He hath put down the mighty from their seat :
and hath exalted the humble and meek.
- 8 He hath filled the hungry with good things :
and the rich he hath sent empty away.
- 9 He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel :
as he promised to our forefathers,
Abraham and his seed, for ever.

All **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son :**
and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be :
world without end.
Amen.

Creed

All **I believe in God the Father Almighty,**
maker of heaven and earth:
and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried:
he descended into hell;
the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost;
the holy catholick Church;
the communion of saints;
the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.
Amen.

The Prayers

The Lord be with you.
All And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.
All Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Lord's Prayer

**All Our Father, which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil. Amen.**

The Lesser Litany

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
All And grant us thy salvation.
O Lord, save the King.
All And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.
Endue thy ministers with righteousness.
All And make thy chosen people joyful.
O Lord, save thy people.
All And bless thine inheritance.
Give peace in our time, O Lord.
**All Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.**
O God, make clean our hearts within us.
All And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The First Collect

O Lord, we beseech thee favourably
to hear the prayers of thy people;
that we, who are justly punished for our offences,
may be mercifully delivered by thy goodness,
for the glory of thy Name;
through Jesus Christ our Saviour,
who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost,
ever one God,
world without end.
All Amen.

The Second Collect

O God, from whom all holy desires,
all good counsels, and all just works do proceed:
give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give;
that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments,
and also that by thee
we being defended from the fear of our enemies
may pass our time in rest and quietness;
through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour.

All Amen.

The Third Collect

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord;
and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night;
for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All Amen.

The Grace

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

Tuesday 7 February 2023

Service of Holy Communion

¶ *The Gathering*

President In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

The Greeting

President Grace, mercy and peace
from God our Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ
be with you

All **and also with you.**

Hymn



Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy health and salvation:
all ye who hear, now to his temple draw near,
joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things so wondrously reigneth,
shieldeth thee gently from harm, or when fainting sustaineth:
hast thou not seen how thy hearts wishes have been
granted in what he ordaineth?

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee;
surely his goodness and mercy shall daily attend thee:
ponder anew what the Almighty can do,
if to the end he befriend thee.

Praise to the Lord! O let all that is in me adore him!
All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him!
Let the Amen sound from his people again;
Gladly for ay we adore him.

Words: Joachim Neander (1650-1680) Trans: Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878)
Music: LOBE DEN HERREN from 'Praxis Pietatis Melica' (1668)

Prayers of Penitence

Deacon Human sin disfigures the whole creation,
which groans with eager longing for God's redemption.
We confess our sin in penitence and faith.

cf Romans 8.22,23

President We confess to you
our lack of care for the world you have given us.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

President We confess to you
our selfishness in not sharing the earth's bounty fairly.
Christ, have mercy.

All Christ, have mercy.

President We confess to you
our failure to protect resources for others.
Lord, have mercy.

All Lord, have mercy.

The Absolution

President May the Father of all mercies
cleanse you from your sins,
and restore you in his image
to the praise and glory of his name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

The Collect

President In a time of silence, let us pray that our worship will bring us
closer to the one who has created all things.

Eternal God,
whose Son went among the crowds
and brought healing with his touch:
help us to show his love,
in your Church as we gather together,
and by our lives as they are transformed
into the image of Christ our Lord.

All Amen.

¶ *The Liturgy of the Word*

Old Testament reading

God said, 'Let the waters bring forth swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the dome of the sky.' So God created the great sea monsters and every living creature that moves, of every kind, with which the waters swarm, and every winged bird of every kind. And God saw that it was good. God blessed them, saying, 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth.' And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

And God said, 'Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind.' And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good.

Then God said, 'Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.'

So God created humankind in his image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

God blessed them, and God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.' God said, 'See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.' And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

Genesis 1.20—2.4a

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Hymn



All creatures of our God and King,
lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Thou burning sun with golden beam,
thou silver moon with softer gleam,
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Thou rushing wind that art so strong,
ye clouds that sail in heav'n along,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou rising morn, in praise rejoice,
ye lights of ev'ning find a voice!
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Let all things their Creator bless
and worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son,
and praise the Spirit, Three in One:
O praise Him, O praise Him!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Words: St Francis of Assisi (1182-1226) tr. William Draper (1855-1933)
Music: LASST UNS ERFREUEN arr. R. Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)*

Gospel Reading

Hear the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Mark.

All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Now when the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not live according to the

tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?’ He said to them, ‘Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written,

“This people honours me with their lips,
but their hearts are far from me;
in vain do they worship me,
teaching human precepts as doctrines.”

You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.’

Then he said to them, ‘You have a fine way of rejecting the commandment of God in order to keep your tradition! For Moses said, “Honour your father and your mother”; and, “Whoever speaks evil of father or mother must surely die.” But you say that if anyone tells father or mother, “Whatever support you might have had from me is Corban” (that is, an offering to God)— then you no longer permit doing anything for a father or mother, thus making void the word of God through your tradition that you have handed on. And you do many things like this.’

Mark 7.1–13

All This is the Gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

The Archbishop of York

Prayers of Intercession

This response is used

Lord of creation
All **hear the cry of our hearts.**

The prayers end

All Merciful Father,
**accept these prayers
for the sake of your Son,
our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.**

¶ *The Liturgy of the Sacrament*

The Peace

President Peace to you from God who is our Father.
Peace from Jesus Christ who is our peace.
Peace from the Holy Spirit who gives us life.

All The peace of the triune God be always with you
and also with you.

Deacon Let us offer one another a sign of peace.

All may exchange a sign of peace.

Preparation of the Table Taking of the Bread and Wine

President Blessed be God,
by whose grace creation is renewed,
by whose love heaven is opened,
by whose mercy we offer our sacrifice of praise.
All **Blessed be God for ever.**

The Eucharistic Prayer

President The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

President Lift up your hearts.
All **We lift them to the Lord.**

President Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

President Father, we give you thanks and praise
for your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
He is the image of the unseen God,
the firstborn of all creation.
He created all things in heaven and on earth:
everything visible and everything invisible,
thrones, dominions, sovereignties, powers,
all things were created through him and for him.
Lord of all creation
All **we worship and adore you.**

President He is the radiant light of your glory:
he holds all creation together by his word of power.
Lord of all creation
All **we worship and adore you.**

President He is first to be born from the dead.
All perfection is found in him,
and all things were reconciled through him and for him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace by his death on the cross.
Lord of all creation
All **we worship and adore you.**

President The Church is his body,
he is its head.
He takes his place in heaven
at your right hand,
where we worship you with all of your creation, saying:

All Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

President We praise and bless you, loving Father,
through Jesus Christ, our Lord;
and as we obey his command,
send your Holy Spirit,
that broken bread and wine outpoured
may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends
and, taking bread, he praised you.

He broke the bread, gave it to them and said:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine.

Again he praised you, gave it to them and said:

Drink this, all of you;
this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many
for the forgiveness of sins.

Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did,
in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice
made once for all upon the cross.

Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation,
we proclaim his death and resurrection
until he comes in glory.

Deacon Jesus Christ is Lord:

All Lord, by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.
You are the Saviour of the world.

President Lord of all life,
help us to work together for that day
when your kingdom comes
and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth.
Look with favour on your people,
gather us in your loving arms
and bring us with all the saints
to feast at your table in heaven.

Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, O loving Father,
for ever and ever.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

President Filled with awe at the wonders and works of God,
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.**

Breaking of the Bread

The president breaks the consecrated bread.

President We break this bread
to share in the body of Christ.

All **Though we are many, we are one body,
because we all share in one bread.**

The Agnus Dei is said as the bread is broken.

All **Jesus, Lamb of God, have mercy on us.
Jesus, bearer of our sins, have mercy on us.
Jesus, redeemer of the world, grant us peace.**

Giving of Communion

President God's holy gifts
for God's holy people.

All **Jesus Christ is holy,
Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.**

The president and people receive communion.

Prayer after Communion

Silence is kept.

President Blessed are you, Lord our God, King of the universe,
creator of light and giver of life,
to you be glory and praise for ever.
In Jesus your light has shone out;
and you have given your Holy Spirit
as a mighty stream of life-giving water
to refresh and renew the face of the earth.
Let your light shine in us
that we may be beacons of justice
and bearers of hope.

All **Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

¶ *The Dismissal*

Hymn



- 1 We shall go out, with hope of resurrection,
we shall go out, from strength to strength go on,
we shall go out and tell our stories boldly,
tales of a love that will not let us go.
We'll sing our songs of wrongs that can be righted,
we'll dream our dream of hurts that can be healed,
we'll weave a cloth of all the world united
within the vision of a Christ who sets us free.
- 2 We'll give a voice to those who have not spoken,
we'll find the words for those whose lips are sealed,
we'll make the tunes for those who sing no longer,
vibrating love alive in every heart.
We'll share our joy with those who still are weeping,
Chant hymns of strength for hearts that break in grief,
we'll leap and dance the resurrection story
including all within the circle of God's love.

Words: June Boyce-Tillman (1943)

Music: LONDONDERRY AIR, Irish Traditional Melody

Blessing

President May God
who clothes the lilies and feeds the birds of the sky,
who leads the lambs to pasture and the deer to water,
who multiplied loaves and fishes
and changed water into wine,
lead us, feed us, multiply us,
and change us to reflect the glory of our Creator
now and through all eternity;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

All **Amen.**

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

All **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Tuesday 7 February 2023

Evening Prayer

Preparation

In the beginning when it was very dark
God said, "let there be light".

All And there was light.

In the beginning when it was very quiet
the Word was with God.

All And what God was, the Word was.

When the time was right
God sent the Son.

**All He came among us.
He was one of us.**

Blessed are you, Lord God, creator of day and night:
to you be praise and glory for ever.

As darkness falls you renew your promise
to reveal among us the light of your presence.

By the light of Christ, your living Word,
dispel the darkness of our hearts
that we may walk as children of light
and sing your praise throughout the world.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit:

All Blessed be God for ever.

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,
so may your mercy come down upon us
to cleanse our hearts
and set us free to sing your praise
now and for ever.

All Amen.

The Word of God

Psalm

1 Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous, ♦
for it is good for the just to sing praises.

2 **Praise the Lord with the lyre; ♦
on the ten-stringed harp sing his praise.**

3 Sing for him a new song; ♦
play skilfully, with shouts of praise.

- 4 **For the word of the Lord is true ♦
and all his works are sure.**
- 5 He loves righteousness and justice; ♦
the earth is full of the loving-kindness of the Lord.
- 6 **By the word of the Lord were the heavens made ♦
and all their host by the breath of his mouth.**
- 7 He gathers up the waters of the sea as in a waterskin ♦
and lays up the deep in his treasury.
- 8 **Let all the earth fear the Lord; ♦
stand in awe of him, all who dwell in the world.**

Psalm 33.1–8

**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.**

Reading

But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honour and eternal dominion. Amen.

As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches, but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Timothy, guard what has been entrusted to you. Avoid the profane chatter and contradictions of what is falsely called knowledge; by professing it some have missed the mark as regards the faith.

Grace be with you.

1 Tim 6.11–end

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept.

Gospel Canticle



My soul proclaims with joy
the greatness of the Lord;
my spirit will rejoice in him,
my Saviour and my God.

The Lord has favoured me;
all ages will proclaim
that God has done great things for me,
and holy is his name.

On those who fear the Lord
his mercy will abide;
he showed the strength of his right arm;
the proud are scattered wide.

The mighty are cast down,
and lowly ones are raised;
he fills the hungry with good things
and sends the rich away.

He comes to us to keep
the promise made before
to Abraham and all his heirs
of mercy evermore.

Give God the Father praise,
and praise to God the Son,
to God the Spirit equal praise
Eternal Three in One.

Words: Christopher L. Webber (b.1932)

Music: CARLISLE Charles Lockhart (1745-1815)

Prayers

Christ is the Word that brings life for all people,
so we offer you our prayers for the mission of the church.

Let us pray.

Intercessions are offered in silence or aloud.

This response may be used.

Your kingdom come.

All Your will be done.

The Collect

Almighty God,
who alone can bring order
to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity:
give your people grace
so to love what you command
and to desire what you promise,
that, among the many changes of this world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed
where true joys are to be found;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Conclusion

All 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.

Let us bless the Lord
All Thanks be to God.

Wednesday 8th February 2023
Morning Prayer
with the Community of St Anselm

Preparation

All O Lord open our lips
and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us,
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

All **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 forever, Amen.

Word of God

- 1 I will bless the Lord at all times; ♦
his praise shall ever be in my mouth.
- 2 My soul shall glory in the Lord; ♦
let the humble hear and be glad.
- 3 O magnify the Lord with me; ♦
let us exalt his name together.
- 4 I sought the Lord and he answered me ♦
and delivered me from all my fears.
- 5 Look upon him and be radiant ♦
and your faces shall not be ashamed. *R*
- 6 This poor soul cried, and the Lord heard me ♦
and saved me from all my troubles.
- 7 The angel of the Lord encamps around those who fear him ♦
and delivers them.
- 8 O taste and see that the Lord is gracious; ♦
blessed is the one who trusts in him.

Psalm 34.1–8

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.

The Reading

'I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

'Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.'

John 17.20–end

Lord, you will guide me with your counsel
and afterwards receive me with glory.

**All Lord, you will guide me with your counsel
and afterwards receive me with glory.**

For I am always with you;
you hold me by my right hand.

All And afterwards receive me with glory.

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

**All Lord, you will guide me with your counsel
and afterwards receive me with glory.**

The Canticle

Bless the Lord, the God of Israel,
who has come to set us free.
He has raised for us a Saviour
sprung from royal David's tree.

Through his prophets God had spoken
of the hope the Christ would bring;
of his faithfulness and mercy
let each generation sing.

Long ago God made a promise
he would set his people free,
that in all our life and worship
we might know true liberty,

Set us free, set us free.

To be holy, to be righteous
in his sight throughout our days;
now this child will be a herald
making ready all God's ways.

Let all people know salvation
through forgiveness of their sin,
as our God in his compassion
bids a shining dawn begin.

So may all who dwell in darkness
see the shadows disappear
while he guides our feet in pathways
where his peace is ever near.

Set us free, set us free.

To the Father be all glory
with the Spirit and the Son,
as it was, is now and shall be
while eternal ages run.

*Words: Anne Harrison (b.1954)
Tune: Cross of Jesus John Stainer (1840-1901)*

The Prayers

*We will begin the intercessions with the prayer for the unity of Christians,
which is said by the community every day at Lambeth Palace:*

**All Lord Jesus,
who prayed that we might all be one,
we pray to you for the unity of Christians,
according to your will,
according to your means.
May your spirit enable us to experience
the suffering caused by division,
to see our sin,
and to hope beyond all hope.
Amen.**

Intercessions are offered by members of the Community of St Anselm.

During the intercessions, the following response will be used:

Lord, in your mercy.

All Hear our prayer.

Silence may be kept.

A Collect is said:

Almighty God,
who alone can bring order
to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity:
give your people grace
so to love what you command
and to desire what you promise,
that, among the many changes of this world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed
where true joys are to be found;
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

Bringing all of our prayers together,
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.**

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.

Evening Prayer

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O God, make speed to save us.
All O Lord, make haste to help us.

That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,
so may your mercy come down upon us to cleanse our hearts
and set us free to sing your praise
now and for ever.

All Amen.

Song

I cast my mind to Calvary
Where Jesus bled and died for me
I see His wounds, His hands, His feet
My Saviour on that cursed tree

His body bound and drenched in tears
They laid Him down in Joseph's tomb
The entrance sealed by heavy stone
Messiah still and all alone

*O praise the Name of the Lord our God
O praise His Name forevermore
For endless days we will sing
Your praise Oh Lord, oh Lord our God*

Then on the third at break of dawn
The Son of heaven rose again
O trampled death where is your sting?
The angels roar for Christ the King

He shall return in robes of white
The blazing sun shall pierce the night
And I will rise among the saints
My gaze transfixed on Jesus' face

Psalm

Refrain: *My delight shall be in your commandments.*

33 Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes
and I shall keep it to the end.

34 Give me understanding and I shall keep your law;
I shall keep it with my whole heart.

- 35 Lead me in the path of your commandments,
for therein is my delight.
- 36 Incline my heart to your testimonies
and not to unjust gain.
My delight shall be in your commandments.
- 37 Turn away my eyes lest they gaze on vanities;
O give me life in your ways.
- 38 Confirm to your servant your promise,
which stands for all who fear you.
- 39 Turn away the reproach which I dread,
because your judgements are good.
- 40 Behold, I long for your commandments;
in your righteousness give me life.

Psalm 119.33–40

My delight shall be in your commandments.

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.**

Song

God, I look to You,
I won't be overwhelmed Give me vision,
to see things like You do.

God, I look to You,
You're where my help comes from Give me wisdom,
You know just what to do,

*And I will love You, Lord my strength And I will love You,
Lord my shield And I will love You, Lord, my rock*

Forever all my days, I will love You, God.

*Hallelujah our God reigns, Hallelujah our God reigns,
Hallelujah our God reigns.*

Forever all my days, Hallelujah.

Reading

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, for the sake of the promise of life that is in Christ Jesus, To Timothy, my beloved child: Grace, mercy, and peace from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.

I am grateful to God—whom I worship with a clear conscience, as my ancestors did— when I remember you constantly in my prayers night and day. Recalling your tears, I long to see you so that I may be filled with joy. I am reminded of your sincere faith, a faith that lived first in your grandmother Lois

and your mother Eunice and now, I am sure, lives in you. For this reason I remind you to rekindle the gift of God that is within you through the laying on of my hands; for God did not give us a spirit of cowardice, but rather a spirit of power and of love and of self-discipline.

Do not be ashamed, then, of the testimony about our Lord or of me his prisoner, but join with me in suffering for the gospel, relying on the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works but according to his own purpose and grace. This grace was given to us in Christ Jesus before the ages began, but it has now been revealed through the appearing of our Saviour Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher, and for this reason I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know the one in whom I have put my trust, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that day what I have entrusted to him. Hold to the standard of sound teaching that you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. Guard the good treasure entrusted to you, with the help of the Holy Spirit living in us.

2 Timothy 1.1–14

All This is the word of the Lord:
Thanks be to God

Prayers

Let us pray.

All God the Father,
have mercy upon us.

All God the Son,
have mercy upon us.

All God the Holy Spirit,
have mercy upon us.

All Holy, blessed and glorious Trinity,
have mercy upon us.

All Hear our prayers, O Lord our God.
Hear us, good Lord.

All Govern and direct your holy Church; fill it with love and truth;
and grant it that unity which is your will.
Hear us, good Lord.

All Give us boldness to preach the gospel in all the world,
and to make disciples of all the nations.
Hear us, good Lord.

All Enlighten our Bishops and all who minister
with knowledge and understanding,
that by their teaching and their lives they may proclaim your word.
Hear us, good Lord.

Give your people grace to hear and receive your word,
and to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Strengthen those who stand; comfort and help the faint-hearted;
raise up the fallen;
and finally beat down Satan under our feet.

All **Hear us, good Lord.**

Help and comfort the lonely, the bereaved and the oppressed.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Keep in safety those who travel, and all who are in danger.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Heal the sick in body and mind,
and provide for the homeless, the hungry and the destitute.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Show your pity on prisoners and refugees,
and all who are in trouble.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Forgive our enemies, persecutors and slanderers,
and turn their hearts.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Hear us as we remember those who have died
 in the peace of Christ,
both those who have confessed the faith
and those whose faith is known to you alone,
and grant us with them a share in your eternal kingdom.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Give us true repentance;
forgive us our sins of negligence and ignorance
and our deliberate sins;
and grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit
 to amend our lives according to your holy word.

All **Holy God,
holy and strong,
holy and immortal,
have mercy upon us.**

Collect

Almighty God,
who alone can bring order
to the unruly wills and passions of sinful humanity:
give your people grace
so to love what you command and to desire what you promise,
that, among the many changes of this world,
our hearts may surely there be fixed
where true joys are to be found;
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.**

Lord's Prayer

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.**

The Grace

All **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.**

All **Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.**

Thursday 9 February 2023
Morning Prayer

(Based on a service from the Iona Community)

The Gathering

Leader The world belongs to God,
All the earth and all its people.

Leader How good it is, how wonderful
All to live together in unity.

Leader Love and faith come together;
All justice and peace join hands.

Leader If Christ's disciples keep silent,
All the stones would shout aloud.

Leader Open our lips, O God,
All and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Hymn



Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart,
naught be all else to me, save that thou art;
thou my best thought by day or by night,
waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word,
I ever with thee and thou with me, Lord;
thou my great Father, I thy true heir;
thou in me dwelling, and I in thy care.

Be thou my breastplate, my sword for my fight,
be thou my armour, and be thou my might,
thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tow'r:
raise thou me heav'n-ward, O Pow'r of my pow'r.

Riches I need not, nor all the world's praise,
thou mine inheritance, through all my days;
thou ,and thou only, the first in my heart,
High King of heaven, my treasure thou art!

High King of heaven, when battle is done,
grant heaven's joys to me, O bright heav'n's Sun;
Christ of my own heart, whatever befall,
still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

Words: Irish 8th Century, tr Mary Byrne (1880-1931) and Eleanor Hull (1860-1935)
Music: SLANE Irish traditional melody

Prayer of Confession

Leader Trusting in God's forgiveness,
let us in silence confess our failings
and acknowledge our part in the pain of the world.

Silence

Leader Before God,
with the people of God,
I confess to turning away from God
in the ways I wound my life,
the lives of others
and the life of the world.

***All* May God forgive you;
Christ renew you;
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.**

Leader Amen.

***All* Before God,
with the people of God,
we confess to turning away from God
in the ways we wound our lives,
the lives of others
and the life of the world.**

Leader May God forgive you;
Christ renew you,
and the Spirit enable you to grow in love.

***All* Amen.**

Response of Faith

Leader With the whole church
***All* we affirm
that we are made in God's image,
befriended by Christ,
empowered by the Spirit.**

Leader With people everywhere
***All* we affirm
God's goodness at the heart of humanity
planted more deeply than all that is wrong.**

Leader With all creation
All we celebrate
the miracle and wonder of life,
the unfolding purposes of God,
for ever at work in ourselves and the world.

The Word of God

Leader Listen now in the reading of scripture for the word and wisdom of God.

After Jesus had spoken these words, he went out with his disciples across the Kidron valley to a place where there was a garden, which he and his disciples entered. Now Judas, who betrayed him, also knew the place, because Jesus often met there with his disciples. So Judas brought a detachment of soldiers together with police from the chief priests and the Pharisees, and they came there with lanterns and torches and weapons. Then Jesus, knowing all that was to happen to him, came forward and asked them, 'For whom are you looking?' They answered, 'Jesus of Nazareth.' Jesus replied, 'I am he.' Judas, who betrayed him, was standing with them. When Jesus said to them, 'I am he', they stepped back and fell to the ground. Again he asked them, 'For whom are you looking?' And they said, 'Jesus of Nazareth.' Jesus answered, 'I told you that I am he. So if you are looking for me, let these men go.' This was to fulfil the word that he had spoken, 'I did not lose a single one of those whom you gave me.' Then Simon Peter, who had a sword, drew it, struck the high priest's slave, and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus. Jesus said to Peter, 'Put your sword back into its sheath. Am I not to drink the cup that the Father has given me?'

John 18.1-11

Silence

Leader For the Word of God in scripture,
for the Word of God among us,
for the Word of God within us.

All Thanks be to God.

Prayer

Intercessions are offered and between each petition this response is used.

Intercessor God in your mercy,
All hear our prayer.

Leader God in whose heart is love and justice,
show us this day whom we must love,
and what we should challenge or change,
in order that your will for the earth might be done.

All Increase our hope,
dispel our apathy;
inspire our imagination,

and deepen our commitment
until we become the signs of your kingdom
for which we and others pray.
Amen.

Closing Responses

Leader This is the day that God has made;
All **we will rejoice and be glad in it.**

Leader We will not offer to God
All **offerings that cost us nothing.**

Leader Go in peace to love and serve;
All **we will seek peace and pursue it.**

Leader In the name of the Trinity of Love,
All **God in community, holy and one.**

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