



GENEROSITY WEEK

 THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND



Morning Prayer

Generous Giving



Day 6

Preparation

O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

We lift our voices to boast of our Lord Jesus Christ
through whom comes the salvation of the world.

Recalling his sacrifice in love,
let us meet him in this place.

Blessed are you, Sovereign God, overflowing in love.
Your Son gave us the commandments
that we should love the Lord our God and that we should
love one our neighbour as ourselves.
Give us grace to turn our love away from ourselves and towards others.
As your Son taught us through his life on earth, let our lives
be an offering to your people.
Let our lives be lived in generous sacrifice.
Through Jesus Christ our Saviour.
Blessed be God for ever.

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.

Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

Psalmody: Psalm 23

I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd;
therefore can I lack nothing.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He shall refresh my soul
and guide me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil;
for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me;
you have anointed my head with oil and my cup shall be full.
- 6 Surely goodness and loving mercy shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

**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.**

I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

**You sent forth your Spirit, O God,
and you continue to show mercy to all.**

- 1 I will sing a new song to my God,
for you are great and glorious,
truly strong and invincible.
- 2 May your whole creation serve you,
for you spoke and all things came to be.
- 3 You sent forth your Spirit and they were formed,
for no one can resist your voice.
- 4 Mountains and seas are stirred to their depths;
at your presence rocks shall melt like wax.

- 5 But to those who fear you,
you continue to show mercy.
- 6 No sacrifice, however fragrant, can please you,
but whoever fears the Lord
shall stand in your sight for ever.

Judith 16.13-16

**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 You sent forth your Spirit, O God,
and you continue to show mercy to all.**

When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. ‘Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?’ He said to him, ‘ “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.” This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: “You shall love your neighbour as yourself.” On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.’

Matthew 22.34-40

Open my eyes, O Lord
that I may see the wonders of your law.
**Open my eyes, O Lord
that I may see the wonders of your law.**

Lead me in the path of your commandments
that I may see the wonders of your law.

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit.
**Open my eyes, O Lord
that I may see the wonders of your law.**

Canticle

**Rejoice and be glad,
for the Lord has done great things!**

- 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.
- 3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old
to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4 To show mercy to our ancestors,
and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6 Free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.
- 7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To 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

**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.**

Rejoice and be glad,
for the Lord has done great things!

Prayers

Intercessions are offered, and may conclude;

May the mystery of your providence
lead us to that heavenly city
where all peoples will receive your generosity,
and find their true joy,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Trusting in God's faithful provision,
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 Conclusion

The Lord our God, whose works are manifold and generous,
bless us and preserve us.

Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



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