




Ministers' Conference 2024

Worship

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Morning Prayer from

The Book of Common Prayer



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Opening Sentences

The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite heart,
O God, thou wilt not despise. - *Psalm 51.17*

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have
rebelled against him: neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our
God, to walk in his laws which he set before us. - *Daniel 9.9-10*

Repent ye; for the Kingdom of heaven is at hand. - *St. Matthew 3.2*

Invitation to Confession

Dearly beloved, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to
acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that
we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God
our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent,
and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the
same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all
times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most
chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks
for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his
most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things
which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul.
Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to
accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of
the heavenly grace, saying after me:

General Confession

**Almighty and most merciful Father,
We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,
We have followed too much
the devices and desires of our own hearts,
We have offended against thy holy laws,**

**We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,
And we have done those things which we ought not to have done,
And there is no health in us:
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders;
Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults,
Restore thou them that are penitent,
According to thy promises declared unto mankind
in Christ Jesu our Lord:
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,
That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
To the glory of thy holy Name.
Amen.**

The Absolution

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness, and live; and hath given power, and commandment, to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel. Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure, and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

**For thine is the kingdom,
the power, and the glory,
For ever and ever.
Amen.**

Responses

O Lord, open thou our lips.
And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

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

Please stand

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.
The Lord's Name be praised.

Venite Exultemus Domino

Psalm 95

**O come, let us sing unto the Lord :
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.**

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving :
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God :
and a great King above all gods.**

**In his hand are all the corners of the earth :
and the strength of the hills is his also.**

**The sea is his, and he made it :
and his hands prepared the dry land.**

**O come, let us worship and fall down :
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

**For he is the Lord our God :
and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.**

**To day if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts :
as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the
wilderness;**

**When your fathers tempted me :
proved me, and saw my works.**

**Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said :
It is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my
ways.**

**Unto whom I sware in my wrath :
that they should not enter into my rest.**

**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.**

Please sit

Psalmody – Psalm 62

- 1 My soul truly waiteth still upon God :
for of him cometh my salvation.
- 2 **He verily is my strength and my salvation :
he is my defence, so that I shall not greatly fall.**
- 3 How long will ye imagine mischief against every man :
ye shall be slain all the sort of you; yea, as a tottering wall shall
ye be, and like a broken hedge.

- 4** Their device is only how to put him out whom God will exalt :
their delight is in lies; they give good words with their mouth, but curse with their heart.
- 5 Nevertheless, my soul, wait thou still upon God :
for my hope is in him.
- 6** He truly is my strength and my salvation :
he is my defence, so that I shall not fall.
- 7 In God is my health, and my glory :
the rock of my might, and in God is my trust.
- 8** O put your trust in him alway, ye people :
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our hope.
- 9 As for the children of men, they are but vanity :
the children of men are deceitful upon the weights,
they are altogether lighter than vanity itself.
- 10** O trust not in wrong and robbery, give not yourselves unto vanity :
if riches increase, set not your heart upon them.
- 11 God spake once, and twice I have also heard the same :
that power belongeth unto God;
- 12** And that thou, Lord, art merciful :
for thou rewardest every man according to his work.

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.**

Daniel 9:20-end

While I was speaking, and was praying and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the Lord my God on behalf of the holy mountain of my God— while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen before in a vision, came to me in swift flight at the time of the evening sacrifice. He came and said to me, ‘Daniel, I have now come out to give you wisdom and understanding. At the beginning of your supplications a word went out, and I have come to declare it, for you are greatly beloved. So consider the word and understand the vision:

‘Seventy weeks are decreed for your people and your holy city: to finish the transgression, to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal both vision and prophet, and to anoint a most holy place. Know therefore and understand: from the time that the word went out to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the time of an anointed prince, there shall be seven weeks; and for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with streets and moat, but in a troubled time. After the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing, and the troops of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed. He shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall make sacrifice and offering cease; and in their place shall be an abomination that desolates, until the decreed end is poured out upon the desolator.’

Please stand

Te Deum Laudamus

**We praise thee, O God : we acknowledge thee to be the Lord.
All the earth doth worship thee : the Father everlasting.
To thee all Angels cry aloud : the heavens, and all the powers
therein.
To thee Cherubin and Seraphin : continually do cry,
Holy, Holy, Holy : Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty : of thy glory.
The glorious company of the Apostles : praise thee.
The goodly fellowship of the Prophets : praise thee.
The noble army of Martyrs : praise thee.
The holy Church throughout all the world : doth acknowledge thee;
The Father : of an infinite Majesty;
Thine honourable, true : and only Son;
Also the Holy Ghost : the Comforter.**

**Thou art the King of Glory : O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son : of the Father.
When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man : thou didst not abhor
the Virgin's womb.
When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death : thou didst
open the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
Thou sittest at the right hand of God : in the glory of the Father.
We believe that thou shalt come : to be our Judge.
We therefore pray thee, help thy servants : whom thou hast
redeemed with thy precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with thy Saints : in glory everlasting.**

**O Lord, save thy people : and bless thine heritage.
Govern them : and lift them up for ever.
Day by day : we magnify thee;
And we worship thy Name : ever world without end.
Vouchsafe, O Lord : to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us : have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us : as our trust is in thee.
O Lord, in thee have I trusted : let me never be confounded.**

Please sit

John 21:1-14

After these things Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, you have no fish, have you?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the lake. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off.

When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred and fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, 'Who are you?' because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

Please stand

**Blessed be the Lord God of Israel :
for he hath visited and redeemed his people;**

**And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us:
in the house of his servant David;**

**As he spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets:
which have been since the world began;**

**That we should be saved from our enemies:
and from the hand of all that hate us.**

**To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers:
and to remember his holy Covenant;**

**To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham:
that he would give us;**

**That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies:
might serve him without fear;**

**In holiness and righteousness before him:
all the days of our life.**

**And thou, Child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest:
for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;**

**To give knowledge of salvation unto his people:
for the remission of their sins,**

**Through the tender mercy of our God:
whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;**

**To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of
death: and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

**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.**

The Apostles' Creed

**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.**

Please sit.

Prayers

The Lord be with you.
And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

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

**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.**

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.
And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the King.
And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.
And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.
And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord.
**Because there is none other that fighteth for us,
but only thou, O God.**

O God, make clean our hearts within us.
And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect of the Day

O God, who knowest us to be set in the midst of so many and great dangers, that by reason of the frailty of our nature we cannot always stand upright; Grant to us such strength and protection, as may support us in all dangers, and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Collect for Peace

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom; defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

The Collect for Grace

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Time of Quiet Prayer

Prayer of St Chrysostom

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests: Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting.

Amen.

Please stand

Hymn

*Bless the Lord oh my soul
Oh my soul
Worship His Holy name
Sing like never before
Oh my soul
I'll worship Your Holy name*

The sun comes up
It's a new day dawning
It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass
And whatever lies before me
Let me be singing
When the evening comes

Bless the Lord oh my soul...

You're rich in love
And You're slow to anger
Your name is great
And Your heart is kind
For all Your goodness
I will keep on singing
Ten thousand reasons
For my heart to find

Bless the Lord oh my soul...

And on that day
When my strength is failing
The end draws near
And my time has come
Still my soul will
Sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years
And then forevermore

Bless the Lord oh my soul...

The Grace

**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.**

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