

# Morning Prayer: Ordinary Time

## Preparation

O Lord, open our lips

**All** and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

### *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.

### *Prayers of Penitence*

Lord Jesus Christ,

we confess we have failed you as did your first disciples. We ask for your mercy and your help.

Our selfishness betrays you:

Lord, forgive us.

**All** Christ have mercy.

We fail to share the pain of your suffering:

Lord, forgive us.

**All** Christ have mercy.

We run away from those who abuse you:

Lord, forgive us.

**All** Christ have mercy.

We are afraid of being known to belong to you:

Lord, forgive us.

**All** Christ have mercy.

May God who loved the world so much that he sent his Son to be our Saviour forgive *us our* sins and make *us* holy to serve him in the world, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All** Amen.

## The Word of God

### *First Reading*

**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.

### *Canticle: A Song of David*

**All** Splendour and majesty are yours, O God; you are exalted as head over all.

1 Blessed are you, God of Israel, for ever and ever, for yours is the greatness, the power, the glory, the splendour and the majesty.

2 Everything in heaven and on earth is yours; yours is the kingdom, O Lord, and you are exalted as head over all.

3 Riches and honour come from you and you rule over all.

4 In your hand are power and might; yours it is to give power and strength to all.

5 And now we give you thanks, our God, and praise your glorious name.

6 For all things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

*1 Chronicles 29.10b-13,14b*

**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.

### *Second Reading*

### *Sermon*

### *Silence may be kept*

Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.

**All** And Christ shall give you light.

You have died and your life is hid with Christ in God.

**All** Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.

Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on the earth.

**All** And Christ shall give you light.

When Christ our life appears you will appear with him in glory.

**All** Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light.

*from Colossians 3*

*Gospel Canticle (The Benedictus)*

**All You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of your servant David.**

- 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*

**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.**

**Prayers**

*Intercessions are offered*

Lord, in your mercy  
**hear our prayer.**

*Silence may be kept.*

*The Collect of the day*

God of glory,  
by the raising of your Son

you have broken the chains of death and hell:

fill your Church with faith and hope;  
for a new day has dawned  
and the way to life stands open  
in our Saviour Jesus Christ.

**All Amen.**

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us:

**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.**