

*Morning Prayer on Sunday
Sunday, 13th September 2020
The Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity*

Preparation

O Lord, open our lips

All: and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'
So let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ,
On behalf of us all I'll say this confession.

Confession

Lord God,
we have sinned against you;
we have done evil in your sight.
We are sorry and repent.
Have mercy on us according to your love.
Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.
Renew a right spirit within us
and restore us to the joy of your salvation;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Absolution

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

All: Amen.

A prayer of thanksgiving

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The Benedicite – a Song of Creation (shorter version)

- 1 Bless the Lord all you works of the Lord:
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.
- 2 Bless the Lord you heavens:
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.
- 3 Bless the Lord you angels of the Lord:
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.
- 4 Bless the Lord all people on earth:
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.
- 5 ○ people of God bless the Lord:
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.
- 6 Bless the Lord you priests of the Lord:
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.
- 7 Bless the Lord you servants of the Lord:
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.
- 8 Bless the Lord all you of upright spirit:
bless the Lord you that are holy and humble in heart.

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, ○ God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you;
now and for ever.

All: Amen.

The Word of God

Psalm 119.65-88

Refrain: *I know, O Lord, that your judgements are right.*

- 65 You have dealt graciously with your servant,
according to your word, O Lord.
- 66 O teach me true understanding and knowledge,
for I have trusted in your commandments.
- 67 Before I was afflicted I went astray,
but now I keep your word.
- 68 You are gracious and do good;
O Lord, teach me your statutes.
- 69 The proud have smeared me with lies,
but I will keep your commandments with my whole heart.
- 70 Their heart has become gross with fat,
but my delight is in your law.
- 71 It is good for me that I have been afflicted,
that I may learn your statutes.
- 72 The law of your mouth is dearer to me
than a hoard of gold and silver.
- 73 Your hands have made me and fashioned me;
give me understanding, that I may learn your commandments.
- 74 Those who fear you will be glad when they see me,
because I have hoped in your word.
- 75 I know, O Lord, that your judgements are right,
and that in very faithfulness you caused me to be troubled.
- 76 Let your faithful love be my comfort,
according to your promise to your servant.
- 77 Let your tender mercies come to me, that I may live,
for your law is my delight.
- 78 Let the proud be put to shame, for they wrong me with lies; but I will
meditate on your commandments.

- 79 Let those who fear you turn to me,
even those who know your testimonies.
- 80 Let my heart be sound in your statutes,
that I may not be put to shame.
- 81 My soul is pining for your salvation;
I have hoped in your word.
- 82 My eyes fail with watching for your word,
while I say, 'O when will you comfort me?'
- 83 I have become like a wineskin in the smoke,
yet I do not forget your statutes.
- 84 How many are the days of your servant?
When will you bring judgement on those who persecute me?
- 85 The proud have dug pits for me
in defiance of your law.
- 86 All your commandments are true;
help me, for they persecute me with falsehood.
- 87 They had almost made an end of me on earth,
but I have not forsaken your commandments.
- 88 Give me life according to your loving-kindness;
so shall I keep the testimonies of your mouth.

Refrain: *I know, O Lord, that your judgements are right.*

*Faithful God,
let your word be the treasure of our hearts,
that we may delight in your truth
and walk in the glorious liberty of your Son Jesus Christ.*

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.**

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 44.24 - 45.8

Reflection

Canticle

A Song of David

Refrain:

**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.**

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

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

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 (The Song of Zechariah) is normally said,

Refrain:

**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.**

Refrain:

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Prayers

Intercessions are offered

Response

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer

Silence may be kept.

The Collect of the day is said

Lord of all power and might,
the author and giver of all good things:
graft in our hearts the love of your name,
increase in us true religion,
nourish us with all goodness,
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;
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

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.