

The Order for Daily Morning Prayer

Rite II

Opening Sentences (Psalm 95:1-3)

Leader: "Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song. For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods."

Confession of Sin:

Leader: Let us now confess our sins to Almighty God.

People: (*In unison*) Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

Absolution of Sin:

Leader: Almighty God, who forgives all who truly repent, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Scripture Readings:

The Leader, or person appointed shall read the following scriptures, or those readings specified for the day.

1. **Psalm 150:** Leader: Praise the Lord. Praise God in his sanctuary; praise him in his mighty heavens. Praise him for his acts of power; praise him for his surpassing greatness. Praise him with the sounding of the trumpet, praise him with the harp and lyre, praise him with timbrel and dancing, praise him with the strings and pipe, praise him with the clash of cymbals, praise him with resounding cymbals. Let everything that has breath praise the Lord. Praise the Lord.
2. **Isaiah 40:28-31:** Reader: "Do you not know? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak. Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint."
3. **Luke 4:16-21:** Reader: "He went to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, and on the Sabbath day he went into the synagogue, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was handed to him. Unrolling it, he found the place where it is written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is on me, because he has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim freedom for the prisoners and recovery of sight for the blind, to set the oppressed free, to proclaim the year of

the Lord's favor.' Then he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant and sat down. The eyes of everyone in the synagogue were fastened on him. He began by saying to them, "Today this scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

General Prayers of the People:

Leader: Let us offer our prayers to the Lord, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer," and responding together:

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For the unity and peace of all nations, especially those experiencing conflict and unrest, that your spirit of reconciliation may prevail.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For the healing of divisions within our communities, that we may embrace the diversity of gifts and perspectives you have given us.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For those who suffer from oppression and injustice, that they may find strength and courage in your presence, and that justice may roll down like waters.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For all who are sick, lonely, or in any kind of trouble, that they may experience the comfort of your presence and the care of your people.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader: For ourselves, that we may live as faithful disciples of Jesus Christ, bearing witness to your love and grace in all that we do.

People: Lord, hear our prayer.

Closing:

Leader: Let us join together in the prayer that Jesus taught us, saying:

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, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.
Amen.

Dismissal:

Leader: May the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, guard our hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. *Amen.*

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God. *Amen.*