

MORNING PRAYER

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Lord, open our lips,

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; *

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

INVITATORY *Pascha nostrum* (1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22)

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, *

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; *

death no longer has dominion over him.

The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; *

but the life he lives, he lives to God.

So also consider yourselves dead to sin, *

and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, *

the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

For since by a man came death, *

by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, *

so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

PSALM

119:97-120

Mem *Quomodo dilexi!*

Oh, how I love your law! *

all the day long it is in my mind.

*Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, **

and it is always with me.

I have more understanding than all my teachers, *

for your decrees are my study.

*I am wiser than the elders, **

because I observe your commandments.

I restrain my feet from every evil way, *

that I may keep your word.

*I do not shrink from your judgments, *
because you yourself have taught me.
How sweet are your words to my taste! *
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.
Through your commandments I gain understanding; *
therefore I hate every lying way.*

Nun *Lucerna pedibus meis*

Your word is a lantern to my feet *
and a light upon my path.
*I have sworn and am determined *
to keep your righteous judgments.*
I am deeply troubled; *
preserve my life, O LORD, according to your word.
*Accept, O LORD, the willing tribute of my lips, *
and teach me your judgments.*
My life is always in my hand, *
yet I do not forget your law.
*The wicked have set a trap for me, *
but I have not strayed from your commandments.*
Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; *
truly, they are the joy of my heart.
*I have applied my heart to fulfill your statutes *
for ever and to the end.*

Samekh *Iniquos odio habui*

I hate those who have a divided heart, *
but your law do I love.
*You are my refuge and shield; *
my hope is in your word.*
Away from me, you wicked! *
I will keep the commandments of my God.
*Sustain me according to your promise, that I may live, *
and let me not be disappointed in my hope.*
Hold me up, and I shall be safe, *
and my delight shall be ever in your statutes.
*You spurn all who stray from your statutes; *
their deceitfulness is in vain.*
In your sight all the wicked of the earth are but dross; *
therefore I love your decrees.
*My flesh trembles with dread of you; *
I am afraid of your judgments.*

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

READING

Leviticus 26:27-42

“But if, despite this, you disobey me and continue hostile to me, I will continue hostile to you in fury; I in turn will punish you myself sevenfold for your sins. You shall eat the flesh of your sons, and you shall eat the flesh of your daughters. I will destroy your high places and cut down your incense altars; I will heap your carcasses on the carcasses of your idols. I will abhor you. I will lay your cities waste, will make your sanctuaries desolate, and I will not smell your pleasing odors. I will devastate the land, so that your enemies who come to settle in it shall be appalled at it. And you I will scatter among the nations, and I will unsheathe the sword against you; your land shall be a desolation and your cities a waste. Then the land shall enjoy its Sabbath years as long as it lies desolate, while you are in the land of your enemies; then the land shall rest and enjoy its Sabbath years. As long as it lies desolate, it shall have the rest it did not have on your Sabbaths when you were living on it. And as for those of you who survive, I will send faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies; the sound of a driven leaf shall put them to flight, and they shall flee as one flees from the sword, and they shall fall though no one pursues. They shall stumble over one another, as if to escape a sword, though no one pursues, and you shall have no power to stand against your enemies. You shall perish among the nations, and the land of your enemies shall devour you. And those of you who survive shall languish in the land of your enemies because of their iniquities; they shall also languish because of the iniquities of their ancestors. But if they confess their iniquity and the iniquity of their ancestors—their treachery against me and also their continued hostility to me, so that I in turn was hostile to them and brought them into the land of their enemies—if, then, their uncircumcised heart is humbled and they make amends for their iniquity, then will I remember my covenant with Jacob; I will remember also my covenant with Isaac and also my covenant with Abraham, and I will remember the land.”

Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE*Cantemus Domino* (Exodus 15:1-6, 11-13, 17-18)

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; *
the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.

*The Lord is my strength and my refuge; *
the Lord has become my Savior.*

This is my God and I will praise him, *
the God of my people and I will exalt him.

*The Lord is a mighty warrior; *
Yahweh is his Name.*

The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea; *
the finest of those who bear armor have been
drowned in the Red Sea.

*The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them; *
they sank into the depths like a stone.*

Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might; *
your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy.

*Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods? *
who is like you, glorious in holiness,
awesome in renown, and worker of wonders?*

You stretched forth your right hand; *
the earth swallowed them up.

*With your constant love you led the people you redeemed; *
with your might you brought them in safety to
your holy dwelling.*

You will bring them in and plant them *
on the mount of your possession,
*The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord, *
the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established.*
The Lord shall reign *
for ever and for ever.

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: *
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
**the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
you promised through your Son Jesus Christ
to hear the prayers of those who ask in faith.

Lord of your people:
strengthen your Church in all the world, particularly this parish of St. Mark's,
renew the life of this Diocese of Niagara,
bless Susan our bishop, and build us up in faith and love.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Lord of creation:
look with favour on the world you have made,
guide the nations in the ways of justice and of peace, especially Ukraine.
bless Elizabeth our Queen, Justin our Prime Minister, Doug our premier
and all in authority.
Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Lord of our relationships:
comfort and sustain the communities in which we live and work.
Help us to love our neighbours as ourselves,
enable us to serve our families and friends
and to love one another as you love us.
Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Lord of all healing:
relieve and protect those who are sick or suffering,
be with those who have any special need especially Jacquie White, Jack Taylor, Margaret Stimson, Terry,
Jan Brown, Lisa, Dorothy Walker, Sharon, Dick, Bev Garrett, Jodey Porter, Sean, Joshua, and Ben Buholtz
and deliver all who know danger, violence or oppression.
Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

Lord of eternity,
bind us together by your Holy Spirit,
in communion with Jean Baker, Gillian MacKay and all who,
having confessed the Faith,
have died in the peace of Christ,
that we may entrust ourselves, and one another,
and our whole life to you, Lord God,
and come with all your saints to the joys of your eternal kingdom.
Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.

COLLECT

Merciful God,
you have prepared for those who love you
riches beyond imagination.
Pour into our hearts such love toward you,
that we, loving you above all things,
may obtain your promises,
which exceed all that we can desire;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour taught us,

**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.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

CONCLUSION

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.
