

Morning Prayer

Begin with this while making the sign of the cross:

Lord, + open my lips. – And my mouth will proclaim your praise.

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. Alleluia.

Psalm 63:2-9

Antiphon: The splendor of Christ risen from the dead has shone on the people redeemed by his blood, alleluia.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water.
So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.

For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise.
So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy.

On my bed I remember you.
On you I muse through the night
for you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast.

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.

Silent Prayer

Take a minute or two of silence for prayer, using the above psalm as a starting point.

Psalm Prayer

Father, creator of unfailing light, give that same light to those who call to you. May our lips praise you; our lives proclaim your goodness; our work give you honor, and our voices celebrate you for ever.

Antiphon: The splendor of Christ risen from the dead has shone on the people redeemed by his blood, alleluia.

Scripture Reading - Acts 13:30-33

God raised Jesus from the dead, and for many days thereafter Jesus appeared to those who had come up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem. These are his witnesses now before the people. We ourselves announce to you the good news that what God promised our fathers he has fulfilled for us, their children, in raising up Jesus, according to what is written in the second psalm, "You are my son; this day I have begotten you."

Intercessions

- Lord of compassion, throughout these difficult and uncertain times, stay with us and remain with us always. (*If praying with others, add: We pray to the Lord.*)
- You promised to all people that we would rise up again to newness of life, make us heralds of your Gospel. (*If praying with others, add: We pray to the Lord.*)
- Teach us to be true neighbors to all in trouble and distress, and so imitate you, the Good Samaritan (*If praying with others, add: We pray to the Lord.*)

The Lord's Prayer Our Father. . .

Closing Prayer

O God,
who have bestowed on us paschal remedies,
endow your people with heavenly gifts,
so that, possessed of perfect freedom,
they may rejoice in heaven over what gladdens them now on earth.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.
— Amen.