

ZOOM MORNING PRAYER, SUNDAY, JANUARY 25, 2025

Welcome! Let's be grateful we can worship together in this way! Everything you need is in this document.

Opening Hymn 7 Christ Whose Glory Fills the Skies

Please mute yourselves and sing along! The words are on the video screen, but in case they are too hard to read, they are provided here also:

1. Christ, whose glory fills the skies,
Christ, the true, the only Light,
Sun of righteousness, arise,
Triumph o'er the shades of night;
Dayspring from on high, be near;
Daystar, in my heart appear,
2. Dark and cheerless is the morn
Unaccompanied by thee;
Joyless is the day's return,
Till thy mercy's beams I see,
Till they inward light impart,
Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.
3. Visit then this soul of mine,
Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;
Fill me, radiancy divine,
Scatter all my unbelief;
More and more thyself display,
Shining to the perfect day.

Opening sentences, spoken by the officiant

Officiant I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. *Isaiah 49:6b*
Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling. *Psalm 43:3*

The Confession of Sin

Officiant and People 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.

Officiant Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. Amen.

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall 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 for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

Metrical paraphrase of the “Jubilate,” Psalm 100

Hymn 377 All People That on Earth Do Dwell

1. All people that on Earth do dwell,
Sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
Him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell;
Come ye before him and rejoice.

2. Know that the Lord is God indeed;
Without our aid he did us make;
We are his folk, he doth us feed,
And for his sheep he doth us take.

3. O enter then his gates with praise,
Approach with joy his courts unto;
Praise, laud, and bless his name always,
For it is seemly so to do.

4. For why? The Lord our God is good;
His mercy is forever sure;
His truth at all times firmly stood,
And shall from age to age endure.

Psalm 27:1, 5-13 led by Lou Pressman

1 The LORD is my light and my salvation;
whom then shall I fear? *
the LORD is the strength of my life;
of whom then shall I be afraid?

5 One thing have I asked of the LORD;
one thing I seek; *
that I may dwell in the house of the LORD all the days of my life;

6 To behold the fair beauty of the LORD *
and to seek him in his temple.

7 For in the day of trouble he shall keep me safe in his shelter; *
he shall hide me in the secrecy of his dwelling
and set me high upon a rock.

8 Even now he lifts up my head *
above my enemies round about me.

9 Therefore I will offer in his dwelling an oblation
with sounds of great gladness; *
I will sing and make music to the LORD.

10 Hearken to my voice, O LORD, when I call; *
have mercy on me and answer me.

11 You speak in my heart and say, "Seek my face." *
Your face, LORD, will I seek.

12 Hide not your face from me, *
nor turn away your servant in displeasure.

13 You have been my helper;
cast me not away; *
do not forsake me, O God of my salvation.

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

The first lesson is read by Lou Pressman.

Reading I

Isaiah 9:1-4

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness--on them light has shined.

You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder.

For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Canticle II, The Third Song of Isaiah, said by all

Arise, shine, for your light has come, *
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.

For behold, darkness covers the land; *
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.

But over you the Lord will rise, *
and his glory will appear upon you.

Nations will stream to your light, *
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.

Your gates will always be open;*
 by day or night they will never be shut.
 They will call you, The City of the Lord,*
 The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
 Violence will no more be heard in your land,*
 ruin or destruction within your borders.
 You will call your walls, Salvation,*
 and all your portals, Praise.
 The sun will no more be your light by day;*
 by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.
 The Lord will be your everlasting light,*
 and your God will be your glory.
 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 second lesson is read by Kim Judenis.

Reading 2

I Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose.

For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters. What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ."

Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.)

For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

Hymn 550 Jesus Calls Us

1. Jesus calls us o'er the tumult
Of our life's wild, restless sea;
Day by day his clear voice soundeth,
Saying, "Christian, follow me!"

2. As of old St. Andrew heard it
By the Galilean lake,
Turned from home and toil and kindred,
Leaving all for his dear sake.

3. Jesus calls us from the worship
Of the vain world's golden store,
From each idol that would keep us,
Saying, "Christian, love me more!"

4. In our joys and in our sorrows,
Days of toil and hours of ease,
Still he calls, in cares and pleasures,
"Christian, love me more than these!"

5. Jesus calls us! By thy mercies,
Savior, may we hear thy call,
Give our hearts to thine obedience,
Serve and love thee best of all.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 4:12-23

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

"Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali,
on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—
the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light,
and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death
light has dawned."

From that time Jesus began to proclaim, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fish for people." Immediately they left their nets and followed him.

As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Sermon

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.

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Officiant Let us pray.

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.

Officiant Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People And grant us your salvation.

Officiant Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People Let your people sing with joy.

Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People For only in you can we live in safety.

Officiant Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Officiant Let your way be known upon earth;
People Your saving health among all nations.

Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day and Collect for Sunday

Officiant Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call
 of our Savior Jesus Christ
 and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation,
 that we and the whole world
 may perceive the glory of his marvelous works;
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance
 of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord:
 Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you,
 that the week to come may be spent in your favor;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, led by Renee Janes

*Closing collect
(Officiant)* Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and
 earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and
 strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
 Amen.

*Please unmute yourselves for a virtual sharing of the Peace!
 ... and for announcements*

... and then once again mute yourselves for the final prayers and closing hymn

Prayer of St John Chrysostom

Officiant and People Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Officiant May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Hymn 680 O God Our Help in Ages Past

1. Our God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Our shelter from the stormy blast,
And our eternal home:

2. Under the shadow of thy throne
Thy saints have dwelt secure;
Sufficient is thine arm alone,
And our defense is sure.

3. Before the hills in order stood
Or earth received her frame,
From everlasting thou art God,
To endless years the same.

4. A thousand ages in thy sight
Are like an evening gone,
Short as the watch that ends the night
Before the rising sun.

5. Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Bears all our years away;
They fly, forgotten, as a dream
Dies at the opening day.

6. O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be thou our guide while life shall last
And our eternal home.

Officiant Go in peace to love and serve the Lord: Alleluia, alleluia.
People Thanks be to God: Alleluia, alleluia.

All are welcome to unmute and share conversation!