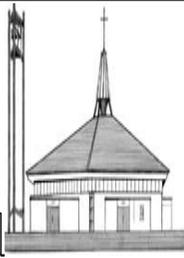


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Morning Prayer

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

O God come to our aid. O Lord make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

HYMN

Bring, all ye dear-bought nations, bring, alleluia,

Your richest praises to your King, alleluia

That spotless Lamb, who more than due, alleluia,

Paid for his sheep, and those sheep you, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

That guiltless Son, who bought your peace, alleluia,

And made his Father's anger cease, alleluia.

Then, Life and Death together fought, alleluia,

Each to a strange extreme were brought, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

We, Lord, with faithful hearts and voice, alleluia,

On this thy rising day rejoice, alleluia.

O thou, whose power o'ercame the grave, alleluia,

By grace and love us sinners save, alleluia.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

PSALM

Ant. 1: Christ has risen; he is the light of his people, whom he has redeemed with his blood, alleluia.

A soul thirsting for God — Psalm 62(63):2-9

Let the man who has put away the deeds of the night watch for God.

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

For your lóve is better than life,* my lips will speak your praise. So I will bless you áll 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 jóy.

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

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.

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Scripture Reading

Acts 10:40-43.

God raised Jesus from death on the third day and caused him to appear. He was not seen by all the people, but only by us who are the witnesses that God had already chosen. We ate and drank with him after God raised him from death. And he commanded us to preach the gospel to the people, and to testify that he is the one whom God has appointed Judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets spoke about him, saying that everyone who believes in him will have his sins forgiven through the power of his name.

Ant. This is the day which was made by the Lord: let us rejoice and be glad, alleluia.

Intercessions

Let us pray to Christ, the author of life. God raised him from the dead, and he himself will raise us to life by his own power. **Response;** Christ, our life, save us.

Christ, you are the light that drives out darkness and draws men to holiness; - let us make this day a living hymn of praise. **Response;** Christ, our life, save us.

Lord, you followed the way of suffering, even to the cross; -grant that we may die with you and come to life with you. **Response;** Christ, our life, save us.

Our master and our brother, you have made us a kingdom of priests to serve God our Father; - let us offer you with joy the sacrifice of praise. **Response;** Christ, our life, save us.

King of glory, we look forward to the day of your coming, - then we shall see your face and share in your splendour. **Response;** Christ, our life, save us.

Our Father.

Concluding Prayer

On this day, Lord God,

you opened for us the way to eternal life through your only Son's victory over death.

Grant that as we celebrate the feast of his resurrection we may be renewed by your Holy Spirit and rise again in the light of life.

(We make our prayer) through our Lord.

The concluding invitation: Go in the peace of Christ, alleluia, alleluia.

Response; Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

This morning prayer may be said each morning during the forty days of Easter.

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