# **Daily Prayer Form**

(Sixth Sunday in Easter - Year A)



Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed!

### Hymn - In the Lord I'll Be Ever Thankful

In the Lord I'll be ever thankful, In the Lord I will rejoice! Look to God, do not be afraid. Lift up your voices, the Lord is near, Lift up your voices, the Lord is near.

Words and Music: Jacques Berthier (Taize)

### Confession

Come, Holy Spirit of God, And search our hearts with the light of the risen Christ.

Lord, our God, in our sin we have avoided your call. Our love for you is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Have mercy on us; deliver us from judgment; bind up our wounds and revive us; in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Silence

May the risen Christ of love and power Forgive you and free you from your sins, Heal and strengthen you by his Spirit, And raise you to new life. Amen.

### Psalm of the Week

### Psalm 66:8-20 (NIV)

For the director of music. A psalm of David.

8 Praise our God, all peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard: 9 he has preserved our lives and kept our feet from slipping. 10 For you, God, tested us; you refined us like silver. 11 You brought us into prison and laid burdens on our backs. 12 You let people ride over our heads; we went through fire and water, but you brought us to a place of abundance. 13 I will come to your temple with burnt offerings and fulfill my vows to you— 14 vows my lips promised and my mouth spoke when I was in trouble. 15 I will sacrifice fat animals to you and an offering of rams; I will offer bulls and goats. 16 Come and hear, all you who fear God; let me tell you what he has done for me. 17 I cried out to him with my mouth; his praise was on my tongue. 18 If I had cherished sin in my heart, the Lord would not have listened; 19 but God has surely listened and has heard my prayer. 20 Praise be to God, who has not rejected my prayer or withheld his love from me!

### Gloria Patri

Glory 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.

### **Scripture Readings**

Acts 17:22-31 1 Peter 3:13-22 (Please stand)

John 14:15-21

(a short silence is kept after the reading of the Gospel)

### Profession of Faith (based on 1 Corinthians 15:3-7, Colossians 1:15-20)

This is the good news that we have received, In which we stand, and by which we are saved:

Christ died for our sins, was buried,
was raised on the third day,
And appeared first to the women,
then to Peter and the Twelve,
and then to many faithful witnesses.
We believe Jesus is the Christ,
the Anointed One of God,
the firstborn of all creation,
the firstborn from the dead,
in whom the fullness of God
was pleased to dwell
by the power of the Spirit.
Christ is the head of the body, the church,
and by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God.
Amen.

## The Prayers of the People

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

On this day that the Lord has made, let us pray for the people he has redeemed.

That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross, let us pray to the Lord:

### Lord, hear our prayer.

That all people may receive the good news of his victory, let us pray to the Lord:

### Lord, hear our prayer.

That those born to new life in the waters of baptism may know the power of his resurrection, let us pray to the Lord:

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

That those who suffer pain and anguish may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

#### Lord, hear our prayer.

That in the undying love of Christ we may have union with all who have died in the faith of Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

### Lord, hear our prayer.

Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead, to the mercy and protection of God this day.

**Intercessions** (A time of spontaneous prayers and intercessions. Say "out loud" the names and situations that you would like to bring before God.)

- We pray for the people of...(countries or regions)
- We pray for our sisters and brothers... (churches and other believers)
- We pray for friends, relatives, and neighbors...
- We pray for the day and its tasks, individuals in need, the world and its needs, and for the Church and her life...

To God be all honor and glory, dominion and power, now and forever, through Jesus Christ our Lord, in whose name we are bold to pray:

## The Lord's Prayer

\*If praying with others, stand and hold hands. If praying individually, stand with hands open and outstretched in the <u>sign of the Orans</u>.

## A Collect for the Sixth Sunday in Easter (Book of Common Prayer)

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Benediction

May God who raised Jesus from the dead bless you and by the power of the Holy Spirit raise you with him in glory. He is risen! Alleluia! Alleluia!