

Morning Prayer Form

(Fourth Sunday after Pentecost - Year B)



The Liturgy Letter

We pray to you, O Lord; you hear our voice in the morning;
at sunrise we offer our prayers and wait for your answer.
—based on Psalm 5:2-3

Hymn - What the Lord Has Done for Me

Let the weak say I am strong
Let the poor say I am rich
Let the blind say I can see
It's what the Lord has done in me

*Hosanna, Hosanna
To the Lamb that was slain
Hosanna, Hosanna
Jesus died and rose again*

Into the river I will wade
There my sins are washed away
From the heavens mercy streams
Of the Saviour's love for me

I will rise from waters deep
Into the saving arms of God
I will sing salvation songs
Jesus Christ has set me free

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Confession (from *The Book of Common Prayer*)

Almighty God, our heavenly Father: We have sinned against you, through our own fault, in thought, and word, and deed, and in what we have left undone. For the sake of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us all our offenses; and grant that we may serve you in newness of life, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Silence

Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered. Happy are those to whom the Lord imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit. While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long. For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer. Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin. - *from Psalm 32*

Psalm 20 (NIV)

For the director of music. A psalm of David.

- 1 May the Lord answer you when you are in distress;
may the name of the God of Jacob protect you.
- 2 May he send you help from the sanctuary
and grant you support from Zion.
- 3 May he remember all your sacrifices
and accept your burnt offerings.
- 4 May he give you the desire of your heart
and make all your plans succeed.
- 5 May we shout for joy over your victory
and lift up our banners in the name of our God.

May the Lord grant all your requests.

6 Now this I know:

The Lord gives victory to his anointed.
He answers him from his heavenly sanctuary
with the victorious power of his right hand.

7 Some trust in chariots and some in horses,
but we trust in the name of the Lord our God.

8 They are brought to their knees and fall,
but we rise up and stand firm.

9 Lord, give victory to the king!
Answer us when we call!

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

[Ezekiel 17:22-24](#)

[2 Corinthians 5:6-17](#)

(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)

Mark 4:26-34

(A short silence is observed after the reading of the Gospel)

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from
Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.

Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the
Virgin Mary, and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose
again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into
heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come.
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.
God of all creation, full of love and abounding in mercy;
May the whole earth be filled with your glory.

Lord, bless and guide all ministers of your church;
Clothe them in righteousness and grant them wisdom.
Direct the leaders of our government;
That they may act in accordance with your kingdom.
Enlarge our own hearts, O Lord,
To love the things that you love
May we proclaim your light
In every place where there is darkness.
May we proclaim your Holy Name
In every aspect of our lives.
We pray for those in sickness, grief, persecution,
bondage, fear, or loneliness, and for all of our own needs;
Lord, have mercy.

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 [sign of the Orans](#).*

A Prayer for Mission (from the *Book of Common Prayer*)

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh, and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Benediction

Go forth in joy to love and serve God in all that you do.
We are sent in the name of the risen Christ.
Let us bless our Lord.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!