

# Morning Prayer Form

(Eighth Sunday after Pentecost - Year B)



The Liturgy Letter

O God, make speed to save us.  
O Lord, make haste to help us.

## Invitation to Prayer

As Christians, we believe that prayer is the most important part of the thankfulness God requires of us. We also believe that God gives his grace and Holy Spirit to those who pray continually and groan inwardly, asking God for these gifts and thanking him for them.  
—from Heidelberg Catechism, Q&A 116

## Hymn - Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing,  
Tune my heart to sing Thy grace;  
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,  
Call for songs of loudest praise.  
Teach me some melodious sonnet,  
Sung by flaming tongues above.  
Praise his name, I'm fixed upon it,  
Name of God's redeeming love.

Hither to thy love has blessed me;  
Thou hast brought me to this place;  
And I know thy hand will bring me  
safely home by thy good grace.  
Jesus sought me when a stranger,  
wand'ring from the fold of God;  
He, to rescue me from danger,  
bought me with his precious blood.

O to grace how great a debtor  
Daily I'm constrained to be!  
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,  
Bind my wand'ring heart to Thee.  
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,  
Prone to leave the God I love;

Here's my heart, O take and seal it,  
Seal it for Thy courts above.

*Words by Robert Robinson, 1785 / Music by Asahel Nettleton, 1825*

## Confession

Let us confess our sins to God.

Open my lips, O Lord,  
and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from your presence  
and take not your holy Spirit from me.  
Give me the joy of your saving help again  
and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit. Amen.  
-from Psalm 51

:: *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...I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the guilt of my sin. Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you.  
—from Psalm 32

Lord, open our lips.  
**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**  
Hear our voice O Lord, according to your faithful love:  
**He has heard our voice and is faithful and just to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**  
In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.  
**Amen.**

## Psalm 24 (NIV)

*Of David. A Psalm.*

- 1 The earth is the Lord's, and everything in it,  
the world, and all who live in it;
- 2 for he founded it on the seas  
and established it on the waters.
- 3 Who may ascend the mountain of the Lord?  
Who may stand in his holy place?

4 The one who has clean hands and a pure heart,  
who does not trust in an idol  
or swear by a false god.

5 They will receive blessing from the Lord  
and vindication from God their Savior.

6 Such is the generation of those who seek him,  
who seek your face, God of Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, you gates;  
be lifted up, you ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

8 Who is this King of glory?  
The Lord strong and mighty,  
the Lord mighty in battle.

9 Lift up your heads, you gates;  
lift them up, you ancient doors,  
that the King of glory may come in.

10 Who is he, this King of glory?  
The Lord Almighty—  
he is the King of glory.

## 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

[2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19](#)

[Ephesians 1:3-14](#)

*(Please stand for the reading of the Gospel)*

[Mark 6:14-29](#) (A short silence is observed 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 (Adapted from *The Book of Daily Prayer*)**

Heavenly Father, you have called us to remember to pray for the Church and the world,  
and for the ongoing ministry of the gospel, that it may increase and make disciples of all  
nations. And so we pray:

For your Church in this place and around the world...

*Intercessions are said*

For our nation's leaders, for the leaders of other nations, and for all in authority  
throughout the world, and in our own community.

*Intercessions are said*

For this place, for every city and community, and for those who live in them.

*Intercessions are said*

For the good earth which you have given and for the wisdom and will to conserve it as  
faithful stewards. For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of harvest.

*Intercessions are said*

For the weak, fatherless, poor, oppressed, and needy.

*Intercessions are said*

For friends, relatives, and neighbors, and for the day and its tasks, we pray:

*Intercessions are said*

For answered prayer and new life.

*Intercessions are said*

That we may end our lives in faith and hope. Defend us, deliver us, and in your compassion protect us by your grace, through Jesus Christ, 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 the Eighth Sunday in Trinitytide** (from the *Book of Common Prayer*)

O Lord, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **Benediction**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

- 2 Corinthians 13:14

Let us bless our Lord.  
Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

## **Closing Hymn - Doxology (Old 100th)**