Morning Prayer 15.08.2021

"I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope." Psalm 130:5

Opening Sentences

O Lord open our lips and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

Pause for reflection as you offer the day to God.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever. **Amen**.

Song – By the Grace of God

Verse 1

I rest my soul on Jesus When the mountains shake I put my trust in Jesus The moment I awake

Verse 2

When my soul is lost as sea He will be my rock My vision be in Christ alone This grace is all we've got

Chorus

His love is like the mighty ocean His love for me will never stop Oh His arms are strong enough to carry me Through it all by the grace of God

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Verse 3

So high upon His shoulders Safely brought this far Helper of my helpless soul The King of broken hearts

Bridge

You are the passion of my life Lord Jesus You are the song within my soul My strength my hope my all in all is You Jesus You

Verse 4
When breath grows still
And night draws near
I will not be afraid

I know the plans He has for me Don't finish at my grave

Bible Readings

Psalm 111

- 1 Praise the Lord!
 - I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation.
- 2 Great are the works of the Lord, studied by all who delight in them.
- 3 Full of honour and majesty is his work, and his righteousness endures for ever.
- 4 He has gained renown by his wonderful deeds; the Lord is gracious and merciful.
- 5 He provides food for those who fear him;

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

- 6 He has shown his people the power of his works, in giving them the heritage of the nations.
- 7 The works of his hands are faithful and just; all his precepts are trustworthy.
- 8 They are established for ever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness.
- 9 He sent redemption to his people; he has commanded his covenant for ever. Holy and awesome is his name.
- 10 The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all those who practise it have a good understanding. His praise endures for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

New Testament reading – Ephesians 3: 1-11

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given to me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow-heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given to me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him. I pray therefore that you may not lose heart over my sufferings for you; they are your glory.

This is the word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Reflection

Prayers

In our prayers we will pray for the world, the church, our local community, and for those who are in need.

At the end of each section we say: Lord in Your mercy hear our prayer.

And at the end:

Merciful Father, accept these prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

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.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever.

Notices

Song - Build Your Kingdom Here

Come set Your rule and reign
In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray
Unveil why we're made
Come set our hearts ablaze with hope
Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit come invade us now
We are Your church
We need Your pow'r in us

We seek Your kingdom first
We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives
For You're our joy and prize
To see the captives' hearts released
The hurt the sick the poor at peace
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause
We are Your church
We pray revive this earth

Chorus

Build Your kingdom here
Let the darkness fear
Show Your mighty hand
Heal our streets and land
Set Your church on fire
Win this nation back
Change the atmosphere
Build Your kingdom here we pray

Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r
Reaching the near and far
No force of hell can stop
Your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than this
Awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ
We are Your church
We are the hope on earth

Build your kingdom...

Conclusion

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and keep us in eternal life. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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