**Morning Prayer 05.09.2021**“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 – How Great Thou Art**
O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made
I see the stars I hear the mighty thunder
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed

When Christ shall come

With a shout of acclamation

And take me home what joy shall fill my heart

Then I shall bow in humble adoration

And there proclaim my God how great thou art

*Then sings my…*

*Then sings my soul*

*my Saviour God to Thee*

*How great Thou art how great Thou art!*

*Then sings my soul*

*my Saviour God to Thee*

*How great Thou art how great Thou art!*

And when I think

that God His Son not sparing

Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in

That on the Cross

my burden gladly bearing

He bled and died to take away my sin

*Then sings my…*

 **Bible Readings**

**Psalm 125**1 Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,

 which cannot be moved, but abides for ever.

2 As the mountains surround Jerusalem,

 so the Lord surrounds his people,

 from this time on and for evermore.

3 For the sceptre of wickedness shall not rest

 on the land allotted to the righteous,

 so that the righteous may not stretch out

 their hands to do wrong.

4 Do good, O Lord, to those who are good,

 and to those who are upright in their hearts.

5 But those who turn aside to their own crooked ways

 the Lord will lead away with evildoers.

 Peace be upon Israel!

**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 6: 10-17***

Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his power. Put on the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers of this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. Therefore take up the whole armour of God, so that you may be able to withstand on that evil day, and having done everything, to stand firm. Stand therefore, and fasten the belt of truth around your waist, and put on the breastplate of righteousness. As shoes for your feet put on whatever will make you ready to proclaim the gospel of peace. With all of these, take the shield of faith, with which you will be able to quench all the flaming arrows of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

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 – Living Hope**

*Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!*

*Hallelujah, death has lost its grip on me!*

*You have broken every chain,*

*There’s salvation in Your name*

*Jesus Christ, my living hope*

Then came the morning that sealed the promise

Your buried body began to breathe

Out of the silence the Roaring Lion

Declared the grave has no claim on me

(REPEAT)

Jesus, Yours is the victory!

*Hallelujah, praise the One who set me free!...*

Jesus Christ, my living hope

Oh God, You are my living hope

How great the chasm that lay between us

How high the mountain I could not climb

In desperation I turned to heaven

And spoke Your name into the night

Then through the darkness Your loving-kindness

Tore through the shadows of my soul

The work is finished the end is written

Jesus Christ, my living hope

Who could imagine so great a mercy?

What heart could fathom such boundless grace?

The God of ages stepped down from glory

To wear my sin and bear my shame

The cross has spoken, I am forgiven

The King of kings calls me His own

Beautiful Saviour, I’m Yours forever

Jesus Christ, my living hope

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**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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