

Morning Prayer 13.03.2022

"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 – Living Hope

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

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

*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*

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

His love is like the mighty ocean....

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

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

His love is like the mighty ocean...

Bible Readings

Psalm 27

¹ The Lord is my light and my salvation;
whom shall I fear?

The Lord is the stronghold of my life;
of whom shall I be afraid?

² When evildoers assail me
to devour my flesh—
my adversaries and foes—
they shall stumble and fall.

³ Though an army encamp against me,
my heart shall not fear;
though war rise up against me,
yet I will be confident.
⁴ One thing I asked of the Lord,
that will I seek after:
to live in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life,
to behold the beauty of the Lord,
and to inquire in his temple.
⁵ For he will hide me in his shelter
in the day of trouble;
he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will set me high on a rock.
⁶ Now my head is lifted up
above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent
sacrifices with shouts of joy;
I will sing and make melody to the Lord.
⁷ Hear, O Lord, when I cry aloud,
be gracious to me and answer me!
⁸ 'Come,' my heart says, 'seek his face!'
Your face, Lord, do I seek.
⁹ Do not hide your face from me.
Do not turn your servant away in anger,
you who have been my help.
Do not cast me off, do not forsake me,
O God of my salvation!
¹⁰ If my father and mother forsake me,
the Lord will take me up.
¹¹ Teach me your way, O Lord,
and lead me on a level path
because of my enemies.
¹² Do not give me up to the will of my adversaries,
for false witnesses have risen against me,
and they are breathing out violence.
¹³ I believe that I shall see the goodness of the Lord
in the land of the living.
¹⁴ Wait for the Lord;
be strong, and let your heart take courage;
wait for the Lord!

**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 – Luke 19: 1-10

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax-collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, 'Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today.' So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, 'He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner.' Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, 'Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much.' Then Jesus said to him, 'Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost.'

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 – Guardian

King of love and grace my Guardian
All my hopes and fears are in Your hands
I'm in Your hands
Where You go I'll go show me the way
Ev'ry step I take be now my guide
God on my side

You are God our great defender
Strong in love forever faithful
We are Yours and we will trust in You

*You go before me
You're there beside me.....*

*You go before me
You're there beside me
And if I wander Love will find me
Goodness and mercy will always follow
You go before me my Guardian*

When I hear You say trust and obey
I will walk by faith and not by sight
God of my life
So let Your kingdom come Your will be done
All Your promises will stand forever
You're my defender

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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