**Morning Prayer 10.03.24**

“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 – Lamb of God**

Scenes of mountain grandeur creation’s majesty

The glory of a sunrise shining over me

But the single greatest wonder my soul has ever seen

Is the Lamb of God on Calvary

Blazing stars that reach me from distant galaxies

The oceans they are speaking magnificence so deep

But still the greatest wonder my soul has ever seen

Is the Lamb of God on Calvary

*Behold the Son of God who takes away our sin*

*Behold His perfect sacrifice*

*Behold the wounds of grace upon His hands and feet*

*Oh the Lamb of God on Calvary*

Heaven holds a welcome to all that’s now unseen

Your love will be my anthem for all eternity

And the most enduring wonder my soul will ever see

Is the Lamb who conquered Calvary

Oh the Lamb of God our victory

*Behold the Son of God who takes away our sin…*

Isn’t He worthy

Isn’t He worthy

Forever worthy the Lamb who was slain

Isn’t He worthy

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Forever worthy the Lamb who was slain

We give You the glory

We give You the glory

All of the glory to the Lamb who was slain

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*Behold the Son of God who takes away our sin…*

**Bible Readings**

**Psalm – Psalm 107: 1-9**

**1**O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
    for his steadfast love endures for ever.  
**2**Let the redeemed of the Lord say so,  
    those he redeemed from trouble  
**3**and gathered in from the lands,  
    from the east and from the west,  
    from the north and from the south.

**4**Some wandered in desert wastes,  
    finding no way to an inhabited town;  
**5**hungry and thirsty,  
    their soul fainted within them.  
**6**Then they cried to the Lord in their trouble,  
    and he delivered them from their distress;  
**7**he led them by a straight way,  
    until they reached an inhabited town.  
**8**Let them thank the Lord for his steadfast love,  
    for his wonderful works to humankind.  
**9**For he satisfies the thirsty,  
    and the hungry he fills with good things.

**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 2: 1-10**

You were dead through the trespasses and sinsin which you once lived, following the course of this world, following the ruler of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work among those who are disobedient.All of us once lived among them in the passions of our flesh, following the desires of flesh and senses, and we were by nature children of wrath, like everyone else.But God, who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved useven when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved — and raised us up with him and seated us with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, so that in the ages to come he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness towards us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are what he has made us, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand to be our way of life.

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

**Sermon**

**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.**

**Amen**

**Notices**

**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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