Morning Prayer 26.01.25

"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 - 10000 Reasons

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul Worship His holy name Sing like never before O my soul I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song again Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing when the evening comes

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul...

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul

And on that day when my strength is failing

The end draws near and my time has come

Still my soul will sing Your praise unending

Ten thousand years and then forevermore

Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul...

Bible readings Psalm 19: 1-6

- ¹ The heavens are telling the glory of God; and the firmament proclaims his handiwork.
- ² Day to day pours forth speech, and night to night declares knowledge.
- ³ There is no speech, nor are there words; their voice is not heard;
- ⁴ yet their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

In the heavens he has set a tent for the sun,

- ⁵ which comes out like a bridegroom from his wedding canopy, and like a strong man runs its course with joy.
- ⁶ Its rising is from the end of the heavens,

and its circuit to the end of them; and nothing is hidden from its heat.

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 for ever. Amen

Luke 4: 14-21

Then Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: 'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me.

because he has anointed me

to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind,

to let the oppressed go free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour.'

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.'

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

Talk

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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