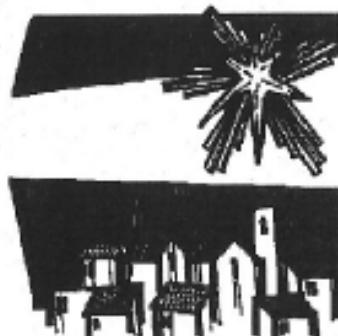


Morning Prayer

Friday - Week 1



God, come to my assistance
—Lord, make haste to help me.
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
—as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever, Amen.

Morning Hymn: “Sing A New Song”

Sing a new song unto the Lord; let your song be sung from mountains high. Sing a new song unto the Lord; singing alleluia! (LAST TIME REPEAT: Singing alleluia!)

1. Yahweh’s people dance for joy. O come before the Lord. And play for him on glad tambourines, and let your trumpet sound.
2. Rise, O children, from your sleep; your Savior now has come. He has turned your sorrow to joy, and filled your soul with song.
3. Glad my soul for I have seen the glory of the Lord. The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised. I know my Savior lives.

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Psalmody

(Repeat antiphon after Leader)

Ant: Lord, you will accept the true sacrifice offered on your altar.

Psalm 51

- L: Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your abundant mercy blot out my offense. Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin!
- R: For I know my offenses, and my sin is ever before me. Against you, you alone, have I sinned, and done that which is evil in your sight.
- L: That you are justified in your sentence and blameless in your judgment. Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.
- R: Behold, you desire truth in the inward being; therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean; wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
- L: Fill me with joy and gladness; let the bones which you have broken rejoice. Hide your face from my sins, and blot out all my guilt.
- R: Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. Do not cast me from your presence, nor deprive me of your holy Spirit.
- L: Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with a willing spirit. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will return to you.
- R: Deliver me, O God, my helper, and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance. O Lord, open you my lips, and my mouth shall declare your praise.
- L: For you take no delight in sacrifice; were I to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased. The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.
- R: Do good to Zion in your good pleasure; rebuild the walls of Jerusalem, then will you delight in lawful sacrifices, holocausts will be offered on your altar.

Psalm Prayer

Lord, he who knew no sin was made sin for us, to save us and restore us to your friendship. Look upon our contrite heart and afflicted spirit and heal our troubled conscience. In the joy of the Holy Spirit, may we proclaim your praise and glory before all the nations.

(Antiphon all together)

Ant: Lord, you will accept the true sacrifice offered on your altar.

Reading: IS 29:17-24

Thus says the Lord GOD: But a very little while, and Lebanon shall be changed into an orchard, and the orchard be regarded as a forest! On that day the deaf shall hear the words of a book; And out of gloom and darkness, the eyes of the blind shall see. The lowly will ever find joy in the LORD, and the poor rejoice in the Holy One of Israel. For the tyrant will be no more and the arrogant will have gone; All who are alert to do evil will be cut off, those whose mere word condemns a man, Who ensnare his defender at the gate, and leave the just man with an empty claim. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of the house of Jacob, who redeemed Abraham: Now Jacob shall have nothing to be ashamed of, nor shall his face grow pale. When his children see the work of my hands in his midst, they shall keep my name holy; they shall reverence the Holy One of Jacob, and be in awe of the God of Israel. Those who err in spirit shall acquire understanding, and those who find fault shall receive instruction. The word of the Lord.

Psalm 100: "We Are God's People"

Please repeat after cantor the first time:

We are God's people, the flock of the Lord!

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Psalm Prayer

With joy and gladness we cry out to you, Lord, and ask you: open our hearts to sing your praises and announce your goodness and truth.

Canticle of Zechariah

Now bless the God of Israel who comes in love and power, who raises from the royal house deliv'rance in this hour. Through holy prophets God has sworn to free us from alarm, to save us from the heavy hand of all who wish us harm.

Remembering the covenant, God rescues us from fear, that we might serve in holiness and peace from year to year. And you, my child, shall go before, to preach, to prophesy, that all may know the tender love, the grace of God most high.

In tender mercy, God will send the dayspring from on high, our rising sun, the light of life for those who sit and sigh. God comes to guide our way to peace, that death shall reign no more. Sing praises to the Holy One, O worship and adore.

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Reading: Matthew 9:27-31

As Jesus moved up from Capernaum, two blind men followed him, crying aloud, “Have mercy on us, Son of David.” When he entered the house, the blind men came to him; and Jesus said to them, “Do you believe that I am able to do this?” They said to him, “Yes, Lord.” Then he touched their eyes, saying, “Because of your faith it will be done to you.” And their eyes were opened. Jesus sternly warned them, “See that no one knows of this.” But they went away and spread his fame through all that district.

Intercessions

Respond: “Lord, Hear Our Prayer”

Lord’s Prayer

Closing Prayer

Lord God, save us from our sins. Come, protect us from all dangers and lead us to salvation. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Dismissal

May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life.

—Amen.