Morning Prayer and Reading

Call to Worship

Hear the Lord's call to you.

Oh come, let us sing to the LORD; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!

Psalm 95:1-2

Adoration

Express your love for the Lord.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him all creatures here below; Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Doxology

Confession of Sin

With the prayer below as a guide, confess your sins to God.

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Maker of all things, Judge of all men, we acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed, against your divine Majesty, provoking most justly your wrath and indignation against us. We earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings. The remembrance of them is grievous to us, the burden of them is intolerable. Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father, for your Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake. Forgive us all that is past, and grant that we may ever from now on serve and please you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Book of Common Prayer

Assurance of Pardon

For all who are in Christ, our sins are fully and freely forgiven for his sake.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8-9

Prayer for Illumination

Divine Spirit, illumine me to the words of the Lord.

Show me the wealth of glory that lies beneath the old familiar stories.

Teach me the depths of meaning hidden in the songs of Zion.

Raise me to the heights of aspiration that is reached by the wings of the prophet.

Lift me to the summit of faith that is trod by the feet of the apostle.

Open my eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of your law. Amen.

George Matheson

Scripture Reading

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Day 1 — Matthew 28:16-20; Acts 1:6-11; Revelation 5
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Day 2 — Romans 3:19–26; 1 Corinthians 15:3–11; 2 Corinthians 5:17–21; 1 Peter 2:11–12; 3:13–17

Day 3 — John 4:1-42; Acts 8:26-40

Day 4 — Romans 9:1–3; 10:1–17; Matthew 5:13–16; 9:35–38

Day 5 — Acts 16:11-40; 18:9-11; Colossians 4:2-6

Reflection

Choose a portion from the reading and spend time meditating on truths you just read.

What is true about God? What is true about you because you are in Christ? What difference should that make in your life? How did this Word from God instruct, convict, stabilize, or encourage you?

Catechism

Remember who you are and God's calling on your life.

What is our mission as the Church until the return of Christ?

Our mission is to glorify God by making disciples of all nations through obedience to his Word, evangelism, good works, vocational fruitfulness, and establishing churches.

Trinity Catechism, Question 101

Petition

Pray the Lord's Prayer, aligning your priorities with his.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our debts,
as we also have forgiven our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Matthew 6:9-13

Bring your petitions to him, requests for his glory, for your needs, and for others.

Benediction

Go out into the day in the Lord's blessing and power.

May God be gracious to us and bless us and make his face to shine upon us, *Selah* that your way may be known on earth, your saving power among all nations. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, for you judge the peoples with equity and guide the nations upon earth. *Selah*

Psalm 67:1-4

Evening Prayer and Reflection

Call to Worship

Prepare to give the Lord the glory he is due.

Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker! For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Psalm 95:6-7

Confession of Sin

As you reflect on the day, confess the ways you have sinned against God and others.

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

"Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory!"

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!"

Isaiah 6:1-5

Assurance of Pardon

Hear the Lord saying your sins are forgiven.

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: "Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for."

Isaiah 6:6-7

Gratitude

As you reflect on the day, thank God for three things.

Glory be to God the Father; Glory be to God the Son; Glory be to God the Spirit, ever three and ever one; As it was in the beginning, now and evermore shall be.

Gloria Patri

Petition

As you reflect on the day, bring your cares from the day to the Lord.

Cast your burden on the LORD, and he will sustain you; he will never permit the righteous to be moved.

Psalm 55:22

Rest in the Lord

As you go to sleep, trust in the Lord who cares for you.

In peace I will both lie down and sleep; for you alone, O LORD, make me dwell in safety.

Psalm 4:8