

**A Service of Morning Prayer
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“Homeless Jesus,” by Timothy Schmalz

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Speak Lord, for your servant is listening: you have the words
of eternal life. *See 1 Samuel 3.9; John 6.68*

CP 251 Come, Ever Blessed Spirit, Come

1 Come, ever blessed Spirit, come,
and make thy servants' hearts thy home;
may each a living temple be,
hallowed for ever, Lord, to thee.

2 Enrich that temple's holy shrine
with sevenfold gifts of grace divine:
with wisdom, light and knowledge bless,
strength, counsel, fear, and godliness.

3 O Trinity in Unity,
one only God and persons three,
in whom, through whom, by whom we live,
to Thee we praise and glory give:

4 So grant us to receive thy grace,
that we may see thy glorious face,
and ever with the heavenly host
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
And the love of God,
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
Be with you all.

And also with you.

May his grace and peace be with you.
May he fill our hearts with joy.

Almighty God,
**To you all hearts are open,
 All desires known,
 And from you no secrets are hidden.
 Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
 By the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
 That we may perfectly love you,
 And worthily magnify your holy name;
 Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20 Refrain You drove the nations out and made your people flourish

77:1 I cry aloud to God, aloud to God, that he may hear me.

77:2 In the day of my trouble I seek the Lord; in the night my hand is stretched out without wearying; my soul refuses to be comforted.

77:11 I will call to mind the deeds of the LORD; I will remember your wonders of old.

77:12 I will meditate on all your work, and muse on your mighty deeds.

77:13 Your way, O God, is holy. What god is so great as our God?

77:14 You are the God who works wonders; you have displayed your might among the peoples.

77:15 With your strong arm you redeemed your people, the descendants of Jacob and Joseph. Selah

77:16 When the waters saw you, O God, when the waters saw you, they were afraid; the very deep trembled.

77:17 The clouds poured out water; the skies thundered; your arrows flashed on every side.

77:18 The crash of your thunder was in the whirlwind; your lightnings lit up the world; the earth trembled and shook.

77:19 Your way was through the sea, your path, through the mighty waters; yet your footprints were unseen.

77:20 You led your people like a flock by the hand of Moses and Aaron.

A Reading from 2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

2:1 Now when the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal.

2:2 Elijah said to Elisha, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel." But Elisha said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So they went down to Bethel.

2:6 Then Elijah said to him, "Stay here; for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan." But he said, "As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you." So the two of them went on.

2:7 Fifty men of the company of prophets also went, and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan.

2:8 Then Elijah took his mantle and rolled it up, and struck the water; the water was parted to the one side and to the other, until the two of them crossed on dry ground.

2:9 When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, "Tell me what I may do for you, before I am taken from you." Elisha said, "Please let me inherit a double share of your spirit."

2:10 He responded, "You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it will be granted you; if not, it will not."

2:11 As they continued walking and talking, a chariot of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them, and Elijah ascended in a whirlwind into heaven.

2:12 Elisha kept watching and crying out, "Father, father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!" But when he could no longer see him, he grasped his own clothes and tore them in two pieces.

2:13 He picked up the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and went back and stood on the bank of the Jordan.

2:14 He took the mantle of Elijah that had fallen from him, and struck the water, saying, "Where is the LORD, the God of Elijah?" When he had struck the water, the water was parted to the one side and to the other, and Elisha went over.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 442 Great God, Your Love Has Called Us Here

1 Great God, your love has called us here
as we, by love, for love were made.
Your living likeness still we bear,
though marred, dishonoured, disobeyed.
We come, with all our heart and mind
your call to hear, your love to find.

2 We come with self-inflicted pains
of broken trust and chosen wrong;
half-free, half-bound by inner chains;
by social forces swept along,
by powers and systems close confined;
yet seeking hope for humankind.

3 Great God, in Christ you call our name
and then receive us as your own
not through some merit, right, or claim,
but by your gracious love alone.
We strain to glimpse your mercy seat
and find you kneeling at our feet.

4 Then take the towel, and break the bread,
and humble us, and call us friends.
Suffer and serve till all are fed,
and show how grandly love intends
to work till all creation sings,
to fill all worlds, to crown all things.

5 Great God, in Christ you set us free
your life to live, your joy to share.
Give us your Spirit's liberty
to turn from guilt and dull despair
and offer all that faith can do
while love is making all things new.

A Reading from Galatians 5:1, 13-25

5:1 For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

5:13 For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another.

5:14 For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself."

5:15 If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

5:16 Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh.

5:17 For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want.

5:18 But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law.

5:19 Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness,

5:20 idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions,

5:21 envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

5:22 By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness,

5:23 gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things.

5:24 And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

5:25 If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

CP 252 Spirit, Come, Dispel Our Sadness

1 Spirit, come, dispel our sadness;
pierce the clouds of nature's night.
Come, O source of joy and gladness,
breathe your life, and spread your light.
From the height which knows no measure,
as a gracious shower descend,
bringing down the richest treasure
we can wish, or God can send.

2 Author of the new creation,
come, anoint us with your power.
Make our hearts your habitation;
with your grace our spirits shower.
Hear, O hear our supplication,
blessed Spirit, God of peace!
Rest upon this congregation
with the fullness of your grace

The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Luke 9:51-62

9:51 When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem.

9:52 And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him;

9:53 but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem.

9:54 When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?"

9:55 But he turned and rebuked them.

9:56 Then they went on to another village.

9:57 As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go."

9:58 And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head."

9:59 To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father."

9:60 But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God."

9:61 Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home."

9:62 Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon by the Rev. Heather Liddell

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1 God I desire to be fully pleasing in Your sight
Without mixture no other lovers by my side
Fully given always living before Your eyes
Before Your eyes

2 May I be a pleasing fragrant offering to
You to You
I'm gonna live like it's the only thing I have to
do
It's the only thing I have to do

Chorus

***Give to me an undivided heart
An undivided heart Jesus
Give to me an undivided heart
An undivided heart***

Bridge

My treasure is in heaven there's gold in
store
One day I'll be with You my great reward

Ending

So let my heart burn let it burn for You
All my life is Yours it's all for You

Affirmation of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
 creator of heaven and earth.
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
 and born of the Virgin Mary.
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died, and was buried.
 He descended to the dead.
 On the third day he rose again.
 He ascended into heaven.
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again
 to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
 the holy catholic Church,
 the communion of saints,
 the forgiveness of sins,
 the resurrection of the body,
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of the People compiled and led by the Rev. Alison Westervelt

Grateful for the gifts we have already been given, we now bring our hopes and needs into the presence of our provident God, saying: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the church.

- for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan
- for the Anglican Church of Canada
- for the Diocese of Qu'Appelle and her bishop, the Ven. Helen Kennedy.
- for the parish of St. Mary, Ponoka and her Interim Ministry, and her secretary, Treena Hanger.
- for the Buyé Diocese, the Rusengo Parish and her rector, Sylvere Ndururutse.
- for the people and the community of the Whitefish Lake First Nation

We pray for all bishops, all the clergy, for our Bishop Steven and our diocesan staff, our own parish of Saint Peters our clergy Heather and Alison and all who give of their time talents and treasures to help us remain a beacon of light, love, and life in our community. That we may be transformed into the body of Christ and may open our lives to receive the gifts that are offered. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for our brothers and sisters of faith throughout the world. May they be nourished as they journey in faith through life; may we accompany them in a spirit of repentance and compassion. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for all government leaders. May they work for peace and social justice rather than personal power; may we support them in their efforts to make this world a better place for all people. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those in our world who are hungry, homeless, without jobs, without proper medical care, without family, without any sense of acceptance, those who suffer from addictions, from ongoing war, from persecution. May they have all their needs satisfied and their voices heard and may we actively advocate for them. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for the sick, the suffering and all in need, especially, Sandra... Merle..... Mona..... Lois Ward..... Mary..... Irene Kathryn..... Helen..... Jenifer..... Judy..... Tony and Mary Jean..... Luisa..... Miranda..... Iain..... Diane and Bill..... Maxime..... Geraldine.... Florence..... Joan..... Shirley and Cyril..... Mark and Blake..... Danny and Jane..... Lisa..... Marijka..... Chrissie, Cathy, and the family..... Brad..... Doug..... Emily Erin.....

That they may experience the gentle touch of another's caring hand, that their sickness may be turned into health and that they may once again join us in our work and worship. And we pray for those who keep watch over them and uphold them in prayer, that they may feel your loving presence surrounding them. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have recently died, especially, Lois Davis, and Joyce Vaags, and all who have gone before. May we follow the example of their lives and be reunited with them in the joy of everlasting life. Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

All these things we have spoken, and those which we name in the silence of our hearts, we pray in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord who with you and the Holy Spirit are one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Collect

Almighty God,
 you have taught us through your Son
 that love fulfils the law.
 May we love you with all our heart,
 all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength,
 and may we love our neighbour as ourselves;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, now and for ever. Amen.

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
**Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 the power, and the glory,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

CP 425 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

1 Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,
 God of glory, Lord of love;
 hearts unfold like flowers before thee,
 opening to the sun above.
 Melt the clouds of sin and sadness;
 drive the dark of doubt away;
 giver of immortal gladness,
 fill us with the light of day.

3 Thou art giving and forgiving,
 ever blessing, ever blest,
 well-spring of the joy of living,
 ocean depth of happy rest!
 Thou our Father and our Mother,
 all who live in love are thine;
 teach us how to love each other,
 lift us to the joy divine.

2 All thy works with joy surround thee,
 earth and heaven reflect thy rays,
 stars and angels sing around thee,
 center of unbroken praise.
 Field and forest, vale and mountain,
 flowery meadow, flashing sea,
 chanting bird and flowing fountain
 call us to rejoice in thee.

The Dismissal

Speak Lord, for your servant is listening: you have the
 words of eternal life. *See 1 Samuel 3.9; John 6.68*

Let us bless the Lord
Thanks be to God.

May the God of peace enable us to do His will in every kind of goodness
 working in us what pleases Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory
 for ever and ever, Amen.

My dear friends, be swift to love, make haste to be kind,
 and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.