

A Service of Morning Prayer
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Seventh Sunday after Pentecost



“Give Us This Day Our Daily Bread,” 1866

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When we cry, “Abba, Father!” it is the Spirit of God bearing witness with our spirit
that we are children of God. *Romans 8.15, 16*

CP 349 – All People that on Earth Do Dwell

1 All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell;
come ye before him, and rejoice.

3 O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.

2 Know that the Lord is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.

4 For why, the Lord our God is good;
his mercy is forever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

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 85*Refrain:* He asked you for life, and you gave it to him.

85:1 LORD, you were favorable to your land; you restored the fortunes of Jacob.

85:2 You forgave the iniquity of your people; you pardoned all their sin. Selah

85:3 You withdrew all your wrath; you turned from your hot anger.

85:4 Restore us again, O God of our salvation, and put away your indignation toward us.

85:5 Will you be angry with us forever? Will you prolong your anger to all generations?

85:6 Will you not revive us again, so that your people may rejoice in you?

85:7 Show us your steadfast love, O LORD, and grant us your salvation.

85:8 Let me hear what God the LORD will speak, for he will speak peace to his people, to his faithful, to those who turn to him in their hearts.

85:9 Surely his salvation is at hand for those who fear him, that his glory may dwell in our land.

85:10 Steadfast love and faithfulness will meet; righteousness and peace will kiss each other.

85:11 Faithfulness will spring up from the ground, and righteousness will look down from the sky.

85:12 The LORD will give what is good, and our land will yield its increase.

85:13 Righteousness will go before him, and will make a path for his steps.

A Reading from Hosea 1:2-10

1:2 When the LORD first spoke through Hosea, the LORD said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the LORD."

1:3 So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

1:4 And the LORD said to him, "Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel.

1:5 On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel."

1:6 She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the LORD said to him, "Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them.

1:7 But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the LORD their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen."

1:8 When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son.

1:9 Then the LORD said, "Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God."

1:10 Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 200 – We Sing the Praise of Him Who Died

1 We sing the praise of him who died,
of him who died upon the cross;
the sinner's hope let sin deride;
for this we count the world but loss.

4 it makes the coward spirit brave,
and nerves the feeble arm for fight;
it takes its terror from the grave,
and gilds the bed of death with light.

2 Inscribed upon the cross we see
in shining letters, "God is love."
He bears our sins upon the tree;
he brings us mercy from above.

5 The balm of life, the cure of woe,
the measure and the pledge of love,
the sinner's refuge here below,
the angels' theme in heaven above.

3 The cross -- it takes our guilt away;
it holds the fainting spirit up;
it cheers with hope the gloomy day,
and sweetens every bitter cup;

A Reading from Colossians 2:6-15, (16-19)

2:6 As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him,
2:7 rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

2:8 See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ.

2:9 For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily,

2:10 and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority.

2:11 In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ;

2:12 when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead.

2:13 And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses,

2:14 erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross.

2:15 He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

2:16 Therefore do not let anyone condemn you in matters of food and drink or of observing festivals, new moons, or sabbaths.

2:17 These are only a shadow of what is to come, but the substance belongs to Christ.

2:18 Do not let anyone disqualify you, insisting on self-abasement and worship of angels, dwelling on visions, puffed up without cause by a human way of thinking,

2:19 and not holding fast to the head, from whom the whole body, nourished and held together by its ligaments and sinews, grows with a growth that is from God.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 572 – Let There Be Light

1 Let there be light,
let there be understanding,
Let all the nations gather,
let them be face to face;

3 perish the sword,
perish the angry judgement,
perish the bombs and hunger,
perish the fight for gain;

5 thy kingdom come,
thy spirit turn to language,
thy people speak together,
thy spirit never fade;

2 open our lips,
open our minds to ponder,
open the door of concord
opening into grace;

4 hallow our love,
hallow the deaths of martyrs,
hallow their holy freedom,
hallowed be thy name;

6 let there be light,
open our hearts to wonder,
perish the way of terror,
hallow the world God made.

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 11:1-13

11:1 He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples."

11:2 He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come.

11:3 Give us each day our daily bread.

11:4 And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

11:5 And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread;

11:6 for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.'

11:7 And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.'

11:8 I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

11:9 "So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you.

11:10 For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.

11:11 Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish?

11:12 Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion?

11:13 If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon by the Rev. Alison WesterveltCCLI 22609 – 'Tis So Sweet To Trust in Jesus

1 'Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus
 Just to take Him at His word
 Just to rest upon His promise
 Just to know thus saith the Lord

Chorus

***Jesus Jesus how I trust Him
 How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
 Jesus Jesus precious Jesus
 O for grace to trust Him more***

2 O how sweet to trust in Jesus
 Just to trust His cleansing blood
 Just in simple faith to plunge me
 'Neath the healing cleansing flood

3 Yes 'tis sweet to trust in Jesus
 Just from sin and self to cease
 Just from Jesus simply taking
 Life and rest and joy and peace

4 I'm so glad I learned to trust Thee
 Precious Jesus Savior Friend
 And I know that Thou art with me
 Wilt be with me to the end

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 Lesley Lambert

As we gather before You today, may we be renewed in our wish to further Your kingdom here on Earth in our daily actions and thoughts. Let us seek to protect and preserve this beautiful planet we are privileged to call our home so that future generations may have the opportunity to share in its beauty and bounty. Our prayers are with all those throughout the world who are experiencing the devastating consequences of climate change as fires rage in Europe and temperatures soar. Our guardianship of Earth has not always been a good one and we ask You to remind all our leaders that our time here is borrowed from You and that we must seek to act with urgency. Here in Canada we pray for all those living under the threat of fires and we remember our First Nations People who tended this land before us, for whom the land has been so sacred and who have treated it with awe and respect. We pray for them particularly this week as the Head of the Roman Catholic Church, Pope Francis, prepares to come to our province, a visit which will evoke many emotions and memories.

We pray also for all Christians around the world: The Church in Wales; The Diocese of Saskatoon, the Rt. Rev. Chris Harper, Bishop; St. Thomas, Sherwood Park, Chelsy Bouwman, Interim Priest, Judy Parkis, Vocational Deacon, Michael Ralph, Honorary Assistant and Shawna Stirman, Administrative Assistant. We remember our own parish of St. Peter's, and our ministry, Heather and Alison and our Bishop, Stephen: The Buye Diocese, Kobero Parish, Ellie Ndacayisenga, Rector; The Alexis Nakota Sioux Nation.

Today we remember all those who live with fear and violence, remembering the many victims of domestic abuse and the work of the shelters which seek to provide a safe and nurturing place for them. We pray for the people of Ukraine as they see their homeland laid waste and their lives changed forever. Speak to those who would seek to perpetuate the violence and have them seek peaceful and reasonable solutions.

We pray for all those who govern in our province and our city of Edmonton that they will make wise and measured choices. In our prayers are all who are hungry, homeless, addicted, lonely or marginalized in any way. May our parish be a safe and welcoming place for all, where those who come can feel refreshed and regarded as a precious part of Your creation, and we offer prayers for our Safe Space Committee who are working towards this end. Let us remember those who are sick in mind, body or spirit, and those who care for them as we pray for those for whom our prayers have been requested today: Sandra, Merle, Mona, Lois Ward, Mary, Irene, Kathryn, Helen, Jenifer, Judy, Tony and Mary-Jean, Luisa, Miranda, Iain, Diane and Bill, Maxine, Geraldine, Florence, Joan, Shirley and Cyril, Mark and Blake, Danny and Jane, Lisa, Marijka, Christie, Cathy and family, Brad, Doug, Janelle and all those whose names are known to You alone. We pray for all those who have departed this world, and especially for the repose of the soul of Gerald Holitzki.

Lord God, we thank You for the blessing of this day. Be with us as we go about our day and as we rest at night. Guide us in all that we do, that we may strive each day to live our lives as followers of Your most blessed son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

Collect

O God,
 the protector of all who trust in you,
 without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy,
 increase and multiply upon us your mercy,
 that with you as our ruler and guide,
 we may so pass through things temporal,
 that we lose not the things eternal;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,
 who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
 one God, for ever and 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 399 – Now Thank We All Our God

1 Now thank we all our God,
 with heart and hands and voices,
 who wondrous things hath done,
 in whom this world rejoices;
 who from our mother's arms
 hath blessed us on our way
 with countless gifts of love,
 and still is ours today.

2 O may this bounteous God
 through all our life be near us,
 with ever joyful hearts
 and blessed peace to cheer us,
 and nourish us with grace,
 and guide us when perplexed,
 and free us from all ills
 in this world and the next.

3 All praise and thanks to God
 eternal now be given,
 to Spirit and to Word,
 who reign in highest heaven:
 our ever faithful God,
 whom earth and heaven adore;
 for thus it was, is now,
 and shall be evermore.

The Dismissal

When we cry, "Abba, Father!" it is the Spirit of God bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God. *Romans 8.15, 16*

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.