

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN: *"In Christ Alone"*

A PRAYER BEFORE READING THE SCRIPTURES

O Lord and lover of the human race, shine in our hearts the pure light of Your divine knowledge and open the eyes of our mind to the understanding of Your Gospel teaching.

Instil in us the fear of Your blessed commandments, that, all worldly desires, we may enter on a spiritual life, willing and doing all that is Your good pleasure.

For You are light of our souls and our bodies, Christ, O God! And we give glory to You, together with Your eternal Father and Your all-holy, good, and life-giving Spirit, now and forever, world without end. Amen.

(John Chrysostom 344-407)

BIBLE READINGS-

Psalms 105:1-6, 37-45 *(Pages 597-598)*

Exodus 16:1-16 *(Page 70)*

HYMN: *"Hark My Soul"*

MESSAGE: *"Manna from Heaven - The Food We Need!"*

OFFERING: *"Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."*

HYMN: 569 *"Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer"*

COMMISSION AND BLESSING

The LORD watches over you – the Lord is your shade at your right hand; the sun will not harm you by day, nor the moon by night.

The LORD will keep you from all harm – He will watch over your life;

The LORD will watch over your coming and going now and forever.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us, now and forever. **Amen.**

The Millennium Prayer

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CALL TO WORSHIP

“Come near to God, and He will come near to you”. (James 4:8)

May all the barriers between God and ourselves be removed. Let us open our spirits to the Spirit of God and discover the power and peace of God surging within us.

“Great is the Lord and most worthy of praise”. (Psalm 48:1a)

Therefore, let us joyously unite together as we sing, pray, listen to God’s word and share with God and one another.

HYMN: 83 *“Let Us with a Gladsome Mind Praise the Lord”*

A PRAYER OF PRAISE

Almighty God, who deserves to be praised by all life that You have created, we bow in humility before You, realizing the greatness of Your power in the vast universe, and knowing of Your concern for each one of us. Grant that we may praise Your name, not in words alone, but also in our deeds of love and mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

PSALTER

There is none like You among the gods, O Lord, nor are there any works like Yours.

All the nations You have made shall come and bow down before You, O Lord, and shall glorify Your name.

For You are great and do wondrous things, You alone are God.

Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth; give me an undivided heart to revere Your name.

I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart, and I will glorify Your name forever.

For great is Your steadfast love toward me; You have delivered my soul from the depths of Sheol. (Psalm 86:6-13)

A PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Lord, we thank You for the splendour with which You have filled all creation; for the immensity and extent of the universe, which defies our understanding; and for the beauty of our world, which is greater than our words to describe it.

We praise You for the place You have given us in Your creation.

Thank You for those who, through words and pictures, through music and writing, have added to the beauty of Your wonderful world.

Thank You for all who have transformed by the sight of beauty, the touch of love, the care of compassion, the challenge of Your word, the assurance of forgiveness and the presence of Christ.

Thank You, most of all, for the good news of the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus, and for those moments when You break into our lives all over again; for helping us to recognize the purpose of Your love in the whole of Your creation.

We bring our prayers in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (David Clowes)

HYMN: 203 *“Fairest Lord Jesus, Lord of All Creation”*

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Lord, we thank You for the love, power and mercy that have brought us to this moment in our lives and our life together.

We confess that we have not always wanted the best for each other or for those around us.

Jesus, Lord of the world, forgive us.

We confess that we have too often and too easily pleased ourselves and put our own wants and needs before those of others.

Jesus, Lord of the world, forgive us.

We confess that we have memories of the past that still hurt us, that we do not always find it easy to cope with what is happening today, and that tomorrow’s uncertainty sometimes makes us afraid.

Jesus, Lord of the world, forgive us.

Lord we ask not only for forgiveness, but for the desire and strength to begin again.

Jesus, Lord of the world, forgive us. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But know that when He appears, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is. Everyone who has this hope in Him purifies himself, just as He is pure. (1 John 3:1-3)

TIME TO PRAY

In silence please offer your prayers to the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus.