# Mid Week Morning Prayer From "A Wee Worship Book" June 10, 2020

#### **Opening Responses**

Leader: From the rising of the sun

Till its setting in the west,

All: GOD'S HOLY NAME BE PRAISED.

Leader: On the lips of children

By babies at the breast,

All: GOD'S HOLY NAME BE PRAISED.

Leader: In the visions of the old

And the dreaming of the young,

All: GOD'S HOLY NAME BE PRAISED.

Leader: In the banquet hall of heaven

And the forgotten corners of our hearts,

All: GOD'S HOLY NAME BE PRAISED.

Leader: Let all that has life and breath

Praise the Lord.

All: AMEN.

WE PRAISE THE LORD!

### Word of God - Matthew 9:35-10:8

Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful, but the labourers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out labourers into his harvest.'

Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax-collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him.

These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: 'Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, "The kingdom of heaven has come near." Cure the sick, raise

the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment.

#### **Prayer**

Leader: O God our Creator,

Your kindness has brought us The gift of a new morning. Help us to leave yesterday, And not to covet tomorrow But to be served by each other.

(Silence)

Leader: Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy upon us

ALL: JESUS CHRIST, SON OF GOD,

HAVE MERCY UPON US.

Leader: I believe that God forgives and sets us free.

ALL: WE BELIEVE THAT GOD FORGIVES

AND SETS US FREE;

AND AT THE DAY'S BEGINNING,

**WE COMMIT OURSELVES** 

TO FOLLOWING WHERE CHRIST CALLS

AND TO LOVING ONE ANOTHER.

**Collect** (From the Welsh Celtic tradition)

Almighty Creator, maker of all things, The world could not express your glory Even were the grass and the trees to sing.

You have made such a multitude of wonders That they cannot be equalled.
No language can express them,
No letters can contain them.

Yet it is no hardship
To praise the Holy Trinity;
It is our delight
To praise the Son of Mary.

## **Blessing**

Leader: Lord, set your blessing on us

As we begin this day together.

Confirm in us the truth
By which we rightly live;
Confront us with the truth
From which we wrongly turn.

We ask not for what we want But for what you know we need, As we offer this day and ourselves

For you and to you

Through Jesus Christ, our Saviour

ALL: AMEN.

Leader: The Lord be with you.

ALL: AND ALSO WITH YOU.