

Midday Prayer – Sunday (can be used daily in Easter)

*An order adapted from Celebrating Common Prayer: Society of St Francis
Lectionary from Common Worship, Church of England, Midday Prayer*

*You are welcome to respond with the parts in **bold type***

Preparation

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
The Lord is risen, indeed! Alleluia

God is with you
And also with you

O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory to God, Creator, Word, Spirit
As it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen .

Alleluia!

A HYMN may be sung or said, the following or some other.

To God our Father, thanks and praise
For this, the first and dawn of days:
The day when through your word of might
From chaos was created light.

The day on which your well-loved Son
O'er death and hell the triumph won;
The day on which the Spirit came,
Your gift to us, in wind and flame.

To you, our Father, through your Son,
And in the Spirit, Three in One:
We, new-created on this day,
New songs of love and glory pay. Amen.

The Word of God

Psalmody

Psalm 47

- 1 Clap your hands together, all you peoples; *
O sing to God with shouts of joy.
- 2 For the Lord Most High is to be feared; *
and is the great Ruler over all the earth.
- 3 God subdued the peoples under us *
and the nations under our feet.
- 4 God has chosen our heritage for us, *
the pride of Jacob, whom she loves.
- 5 God has gone up with a merry noise, *
the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.
- 6 O sing praises to God, sing praises; *
sing praises to our King, sing praises.
- 7 For God is the Sovereign of all the earth; *
sing praises with all your skill.
- 8 God reigns over the nations; *
God has taken her seat upon her holy throne.
- 9 The nobles of the peoples are gathered together *
with the people of the God of Abraham.
- 10 For the powers of the earth belong to God *
and God is very highly exalted.

Glory to God, Creator, Word, Spirit

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Short Reading

Isaiah 40.28-end

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The Lord is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Hear what the Spirit is saying

Thanks be to God

Responsory

Blessèd are you, O God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
We give you praise and honour for ever.

For you have loved us from all eternity,
And remembered us when we were in trouble.

Blessèd are you, Lord Jesus Christ,
Who, for our salvation, came down from heaven.

By the power of the Holy Spirit,
You became incarnate of the Virgin Mary.

You loosed us from our sins by your own blood:
And on the third day rose from the dead.

You ascended up on high,
And opened wide for us the everlasting doors.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father
And ever live to intercede for us.

Blessèd are you, O God: Source of all being,
eternal Word and Spirit of life;
We give you praise and honour for ever.

The Collect

Lord of all life and power,
who through the mighty resurrection of your Son
overcame the old order of sin and death
to make all things new in him:
grant that we, being dead to sin
and alive to you in Jesus Christ,
may reign with him in glory;
to whom with you and the Holy Spirit,
be praise and honour, glory and might,
now and in all eternity..**Amen**

The Disciples Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation, let us pray as Jesus taught his friends:

**Our Father in heaven,
Hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come, your will be done
On earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread,
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
And deliver us from evil.
For the Kingdom, the power and the Glory are yours,
Now and forever.
Amen**

Blessing

May the risen Christ give us peace.
Amen.

Let us bless our Loving God.
Thanks be to God.