

Northumbria Prayer

Ordinary Time (Monday Morning Prayer)

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Opening Sentences

One thing I have asked of the Lord,
this is what I seek:
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord
all the days of my life;
to behold the beauty of the Lord
and to seek Him in His temple.

Call: Who is it that you seek?

Response: We seek the Lord our God.

Call: Do you seek Him with all your heart?

Response: Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Call: Do you seek Him with all your soul?

Response: Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Call: Do you seek Him with all your mind?

Response: Amen. Lord, have mercy.

Call: Do you seek Him with all your strength?

Response: Amen. Christ, have mercy.

Declaration of Faith

All: To whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life,
and we have believed and have come to know
that You are the Holy One of God.
Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ,
King of endless glory.

Psalm

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel Reading

Alleluia

Today's Meditation
(from Celtic Daily Prayer)

Prayers for Others

An Affirmation of Faith (Iona)

We believe in God
Whose love is the source of all life and the desire of our lives,
Whose love was given a human face in Jesus of Nazareth,
Whose love was crucified by the evil that waits to enslave us all, and
Whose love, defeating even death,
is our glorious promise of freedom.
Therefore, though we are sometimes fearful and full of doubt;
In God we trust: and, in the name of Jesus Christ,
We commit ourselves, in the service of others,
To seek justice and to live in peace,
To care for the earth and to share the commonwealth of God's goodness,
To live in the freedom of forgiveness
and the power of the Spirit of love,
and in the company of the faithful
So to be the church, for the glory of god. Amen.

Canticle

Christ, as a light - illumine and guide me.
Christ, as a shield - overshadow me.
Christ under me;
Christ over me;
Christ beside me
on my left and my right.
This day be within and without me,
lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.
Be in the heart of each to whom I speak;
in the mouth of each who speaks unto me.
This day be within and without me,
lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.
Christ as a light - Christ as a shield;
Christ beside me - on my left and my right.

Blessing

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you,
wherever He may send you.

May He guide you through the wilderness,
protect you through the storm.

May He bring you home rejoicing
at the wonders He has shown you.

May He bring you home rejoicing
once again into our doors.

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