**AN OUTLINE ORDER FOR MORNING PRAYER FROM PENTECOST**

**GATHERING - OPENING RESPONSES**

*Minister* O Lord, open our lips

***All* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

*Minister* Today is a fresh day.

It is a good day because You have made it.

Therefore it is full of possibilities and hope.

Jesus, you are our source.

***All* Help us to live the day with You in the centre.**

*Minister* You call us together as Your body.

***All* Help us to share the day well with others.**

*Minister* Yours is a revolution of love.

***All* Help us to share good news with the last, the lost and the least.**

Amen, **amen.**

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul, ♦

and all that is within me bless his holy name.

2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, ♦

and forget not all his benefits;

3 Who forgives all your sins ♦

and heals all your infirmities;

4 Who redeems your life from the Pit ♦

and crowns you with faithful love and compassion;

5 Who satisfies you with good things, ♦

so that your youth is renewed like an eagle’s.

6 The Lord executes righteousness ♦

and judgement for all who are oppressed.

7 He made his ways known to Moses ♦

and his works to the children of Israel.

8 The Lord has established his throne in heaven, ♦

and his kingdom has dominion over all.

9 Bless the Lord, you angels of his, ♦

you mighty ones who do his bidding and hearken to the voice of his word.

10 Bless the Lord, all you his hosts, ♦

you ministers of his who do his will.

11 Bless the Lord, all you works of his, in all places of his dominion; ♦

bless the Lord, O my soul.

*Psalm 103.1-7, 19-22*

*All* **Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;**

**as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

*The Psalm of the Day is said.*

*At the end of the Psalm, the following may be said.*

*Minister* Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit:

***All* as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.**

*An appointed Reading from the Scriptures is read. After a period of silent reflection the following is said.*

*Minister* Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.

*All* **Thanks be to God**

**GOSPEL CANTICLE**

*The Benedictus (The Song of Zechariah) is normally said*

*Refrain:*

***All*  They who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength;  
they shall mount up with wings as an eagle.**

1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, ♦

who has come to his people and set them free.

2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, ♦

born of the house of his servant David.

3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old ♦

to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us,

4 To show mercy to our ancestors, ♦

and to remember his holy covenant.

5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: ♦

to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

6 Free to worship him without fear, ♦

holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, ♦

for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

8 To give his people knowledge of salvation ♦

by the forgiveness of all their sins.

9 In the tender compassion of our God ♦

the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, ♦

and to guide our feet into the way of peace. *Luke 1.68-79*

***All* Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word and Holy Spirit:**

**as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.**

**They who wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength;  
they shall mount up with wings as an eagle.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY**

*Intercessions are offered*

**THE LORD’S PRAYER**

*Minister* Being made one by the power of the Spirit,

as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

***All*  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 for ever. Amen.**

**THE CONCLUSION**

*Minister* The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,  
and keep us in eternal life.

***All*** **Amen.**

*Minister* Let us bless the Lord.

***All*** **Thanks be to God.**