

MORNING PRAYER

The Goodness of Creation & Care for the Earth

Adapted from "Celtic Prayers from Iona" by J. Philip Newell

It was you who formed my inmost parts. You knit me together in my mother's womb. I praise you for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. (Psalm 139)

SILENCE: *Be still and aware of God's presence within and all around.*

OPENING PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

O Sun behind all suns, we give you greeting this new day.

Let all Creation praise you. Let the daylight and the shadows praise you.

Let the fertile earth and the swelling sea praise you.

Let the winds and the rain, the lightning and the thunder praise you.

Let all that breathes, of all genders, praise you.

And we shall praise you.

O God of all life, we give you greeting this day.

FREE PRAYERS OF THANKS: *Thanksgiving to God is offered aloud/ in silence.*

PSALM

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Glory Glory, Hallelujah!

When he rose up from the ground! (x2)

GOSPEL READING

We repeat the Acclamation

SILENCE AS WE REFLECT ON THE WORD

INTERCESSIONS:

There is no plant in the ground but tells of your beauty, O Christ.

There is no creature on the earth, there is no life in the sea
but proclaims your goodness.

There is no bird on the wing, there is no star in the sky,
there is nothing beneath the sun but is full of your blessing.

Lighten our understanding of your presence all around, O Christ.

Kindle our will to be caring for all of Creation and all of your children.

*Aloud or in silence, share your prayers of concern, pray for the coming day and
for the care of the earth.*

Gathering up our prayers we say together the prayer that Jesus taught us:

**Our Father (Mother/Source) 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.**

CLOSING PRAYER:

Bless to us O God our souls that come from on high.

Bless to us O God our bodies that are of earth.

Bless to us O God each thing our eyes see, each sound our ears hear.

Bless to us O God each scent that goes to our nostrils,

Each taste that goes to our lips, each ray that guides our way.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.