Midday Prayer from – A Disciple's Prayer Book (Adapted)

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CHRIST HAS DIED

At Noon

THE GATHERING

Creator, we give you thanks for all you are and all you bring to us for our visit within your creation. In Jesus, you place the Gospel in the centre of this sacred circle through which all creation is related. You show us the way to live a generous and compassionate life. Give us your strength to live together with respect and commitment as we grow in your spirit, for you are God, now and forever. Amen.

A Gathering Psalm

Psalm 48

- 1 Great is the Lord and highly to be praised, ♦ in the city of our God.
- 2 His holy mountain is fair and lifted high, ♦



the joy of all the earth.

- 3 On Mount Zion, the divine dwelling place, ♦ stands the city of the great king.
- 4 In her palaces God has shown himself ♦ to be a sure refuge.
- 5 For behold, the kings of the earth assembled ♦ and swept forward together.
- 6 They saw, and were dumbfounded; ♦ dismayed, they fled in terror.
- 7 Trembling seized them there;
 they writhed like a woman in labour, ♦
 as when the east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.
- 8 As we had heard, so have we seen
 in the city of the Lord of hosts, the city of our God: ◆
 God has established her for ever.
- 9 We have waited on your loving-kindness, O God, ♦ in the midst of your temple.
- 10 As with your name, O God,
 so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; ◆
 your right hand is full of justice.
- 11 Let Mount Zion rejoice and the daughters of Judah be glad, ♦ because of your judgements, O Lord.
- 12 Walk about Zion and go round about her;

count all her towers; ♦ consider well her bulwarks; pass through her citadels,

13 That you may tell those who come after that such is our God for ever and ever. ♦It is he that shall be our guide for evermore.

GOSPEL of the DAY

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.'

Matthew 9.35-end

RESPONSE

Reflect and Respond to the Gospel of the Day:

1. What word(s), idea(s), or sentence(s) stand out for you in the Gospel of the Day?

2. What is Jesus (the Gospel) saying to you?

3. What is Jesus (the Gospel) calling you to do?

PRAYER

COLLECT

Almighty God, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they find their rest in you. May we find peace in your service, and in the world to come, see you face to face; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.. **Amen**.

THE DISCIPLES' PRAYER

God is with you. And also with you.

Let us pray. Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Let us bless our loving God, Creator, Word, and Holy Spirit Thanks be to God