

Midday Prayer from – A Disciple’s Prayer Book

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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 126

1 When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion,
then were we like those who dream.

2 Then was our mouth filled with laughter
and our tongue with songs of joy.

3 Then said they among the nations,
'The Lord has done great things for them.'

4 The Lord has indeed done great things for us,
and therefore we rejoiced.

5 Restore again our fortunes, O Lord,
as the river beds of the desert.

6 Those who sow in tears
shall reap with songs of joy.

7 Those who go out weeping, bearing the seed,
will come back with shouts of joy,
bearing their sheaves with them.

GOSPEL of the DAY

Mark 4.26-29

Jesus said, 'The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.'

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

Individual and Group Prayers of Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication (ACTS)

COLLECT

Almighty God,

you have created the heavens and the earth
and made us in your own image:
teach us to discern your hand in all your works
and your likeness in all your children;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who with you and the Holy Spirit reigns supreme over all things,
now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE LORD'S 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