# **Morning Prayer**

(The Book of Common Prayer - BCP)



"Journeying together in God's love"

# Who We Are

We are part of the Diocese of British Columbia, which is a member of the Anglican Church of Canada and the world wide Christian Church.

We acknowledge with thanksgiving that we gather on the traditional lands of the First Nations Peoples, and especially those of the Snaw-Naw-As people.

We join a line of Anglicans who have worshipped on these islands for over 150 years. As we continue, we commit ourselves to a journey of truth and reconciliation between the indigenous peoples of this land and the non-native peoples of Canada.

We are committed to creating and maintaining a safe community in every respect including our ministry with vulnerable persons such as children, seniors, and persons with special challenges.

We welcome everyone, regardless of language, race or sexuality, into a Christian community whose core values are love, respect, kindness, and generosity.

If you are new here today, please make yourself known to the minister taking the service. We would love to get to know you better.

#### Welcome and Announcements

(Please stand, as you are able)

**The Opening Sentence** (please see the Bulletin)

#### The Exhortation

Leader: Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloke them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart and humble voice unto the throne of the heavenly grace.

All: Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, we have offended against thy holy laws, we have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults. Restore thou them that are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord. And grant, O most

merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

# A Prayer for Forgiveness

Leader: Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace; that we may be cleansed from all our sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# The Lord's Prayer

All: 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 them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

Leader: O Lord, open thou our lips;

All: And our mouth shall show forth thy

praise.

Leader: O God, make speed to save us;

All: O Lord, make haste to help us.

(Please stand, as you are able)

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to

the Holy Spirit;

All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Leader: Praise ye the Lord;

All: The Lord's Name be praised.

The Venite, Exultemus Domino (Psalm 95) (Read antiphonally, led by Service Leader)

O come, let us sing unto the Lord: let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are all the corners of the earth: and the strength of the hills is his also.

The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands prepared the dry ground.

O come, let us worship, and fall down, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is the Lord our God; and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

Today, O that ye would hear his voice: "Harden not your hearts as in the Provocation, and as in the day of Temptation in the wilderness; When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works.

Forty years long was I grieved with that generation, and said, it is a people that do err in their hearts, for they have not known my ways;

Unto whom I sware in my wrath, that they should not enter into my rest."

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

**The Psalm** (please see the Bulletin)

# The Readings

# **The First Reading**

(Response at the end of the Reading)

Reader: The word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.

# Te Deum Laudamus

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting. To thee all Angels cry aloud, the Heavens and all the Powers therein. To thee Cherubim and Seraphim continually do cry, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts; Heaven and earth are full of the Majesty of thy glory.

The glorious company of the Apostles praise thee; the goodly fellowship of the Prophets praise thee; the noble army of Martyrs praise thee; the holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee, the Father, of an infinite

Majesty; thine honourable, true, and only Son; also the Holy Spirit, the Comforter.

Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage; Day by day we magnify thee; and we worship thy Name, ever world without end. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.

O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.

O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in thee.

O Lord, in thee have I trusted: let me never be confounded.

# The Second Reading

(Response at the end of the Reading)

Reader: The word of the Lord. **All:** Thanks be to God.

The Benedictus (St Luke 1. 68.) (Read antiphonally, led by Service Leader)

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel; for He hath visited, and redeemed his people;

# And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us, in the house of his servant David;

As He spake by the mouth of his holy Prophets, which have been since the world began;

# That we should be saved from our enemies, and from the hands of all that hate us;

To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers, and to remember His holy covenant;

# To perform the oath which He sware to our forefather Abraham, that he would grant us

That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies might serve him without fear,

# In holiness and righteousness before Him, all the days of our life.

And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest: for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare His ways;

# To give knowledge of salvation unto His people for the remission of their sins;

Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the day-spring from on high hath visited us;

# To give light to them that sit in darkness, and in the shadow of death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

# The Gospel Reading

(Please stand, as you are able, for the Reading of the Gospel and the Creed which follows.)

Leader: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ

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All: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

(At the conclusion of the Reading)

Leader: The Gospel of Christ

All: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.** 

#### The Creed

All: I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth: and in Jesus
Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived
by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead,
and buried: he descended into hell; the third day
he rose again from the dead; he ascended into
heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the
Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to
judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy
Spirit; the holy Catholic Church; the Communion
of Saints; the Forgiveness of sins; the
Resurrection of the body, and the Life everlasting.
Amen.

#### (Please sit)

Leader: The Lord be with you; **All: And with thy spirit.** 

Leader: Let us pray.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

All: Christ, have mercy upon us.

Leader: Lord, have mercy upon us.

All: 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 them that trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. Amen.

Leader: O Lord, show thy mercy upon us; **All:** And grant us thy salvation.

Leader: O Lord, save the King;

All: And mercifully hear us when we call upon

thee.

Leader: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness; All: And make thy chosen people joyful.

Leader: O Lord, save thy people;

**All:** And bless thine inheritance. Leader: Give peace in our time, O Lord;

**All:** And evermore mightily defend us. Leader: O God, make clean our hearts within us;

All: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

# **The Collect of The Day** (please see the Bulletin)

# The Second Collect, for Peace

O God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us thy humble servants in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defence, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# The Third Collect, for Grace

O Lord our heavenly Father, Almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day; Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that all our doings may be ordered by thy governance, to do always that is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# The Sermon

# **The Offertory** (please see the Bulletin)

(When the offering is presented the following prayer of thanksgiving is said):

Leader: Blessed be thou, Lord God of Israel, for ever and ever. All that is in the heaven and in the earth is thine.

All: All things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee.

# The Prayers of the People

# A Prayer for the King and all in Authority

O Lord God Almighty, who rulest the nations of the earth, we humbly beseech thee with thy favour to behold our Sovereign Lord, King Charles, that in all things he may be led by thy guidance and protected by thy power. We pray thee also to bless Queen Camilla, William and Catherine, Prince and Princess of Wales and all the Royal Family. Endue with wisdom the Governor General of this Nation, the Lieutenant Governors of the Provinces, the Legislators of the Commonwealth, and all who are set in authority; that all things may be so ordered and settled by their endeavours upon the best and surest foundations, that peace and happiness, truth and justice, religion and piety, may be established among us for all generations; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

# A Prayer for the Clergy and People

Almighty and everlasting God, from whom cometh every good and perfect gift: Send down upon our Bishops, and especially for Anna our Bishop, and Clergy, and all Congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of thy grace; and that they may truly please thee, pour upon them the continual dew of thy blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honour of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. **Amen.** 

# A Prayer for All Conditions of People

O God, the Creator and Preserver of all humanity, we humbly beseech thee for all sorts and conditions of people everywhere; that thou wouldest be pleased to make thy ways known unto them, thy saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for the good estate of the Catholic Church; that it may be so guided and governed by thy good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally we commend to thy fatherly goodness all those, who are any ways afflicted or distressed in mind, body, or estate; [\*especially those for whom our prayers are desired] that it may please thee to comfort and relieve them, according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ his sake. Amen.

# A General Thanksgiving

(To be said by the people together)

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all people;

[\* especially for occasions of special thanksgiving for individuals and the parish community].

We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful, and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives; by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Spirit, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

# A Prayer of Saint Chrysostom

Almighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications unto thee; and dost promise that when two or three are gathered together in thy Name thou wilt grant their requests:

Fulfil now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants, as may be most expedient for them; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. **Amen.** 

# **The Grace** (2 Corinthians 13. 14)

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**