

## **Morning Prayer (page 47)**

### **Welcome, short prayer and Scripture of the Day**

Lord, open our lips,

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

O God, make speed to save us.

**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

*Except in Lent, add,*

**Alleluia!**

### **The Invitatory**

*Then follows one of the Invitatory psalms, or the Easter canticle, or a suitable hymn.*

*One of the following antiphons may be said or sung before and after the Invitatory psalm (and between the sections of the psalm, if desired).*

1 God rules over all the earth: O come, let us worship.

2 The Lord is in his holy temple: O come, let us worship.

3 The Lord is our refuge and strength: O come, let us worship.

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4 The Lord is our light and our life: O come, let us worship.

### **Lent**

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us worship.

### **Passion**

9 Christ became obedient unto death: O come, let us worship.

### **Easter**

10 Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us worship.

### **Ascension**

11 Alleluia! The Sun of righteousness has risen: O come, let us worship.

### **Pentecost**

12 Alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth: O come, let us worship.

### **Trinity**

13 Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God almighty: O come, let us worship.

### **Saints' Days**

14 The Lord is glorious in his saints: O come, let us worship.

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**Venite** (page 49)

*Psalm 95.1-7*

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*  
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.  
For the Lord is a great God, \*  
and a great king above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his for he made it, \*  
and his hands have moulded the dry land.  
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
and kneel before the Lord our maker.  
For he is our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture and the  
sheep of his hand. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

**Jubilate**

*Psalm 100*

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.  
Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.  
Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his name.  
For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

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**The Psalms**

*Go to Psalm of the day*

Give the king your justice, O God, \* and your righteousness to the king's son; 2 That he may rule your people righteously \* and the poor with justice; 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \* and the little hills bring righteousness. 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; \* he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor. 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \* from one generation to another. 6 He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, \* like showers that water the earth. 7 In his time shall the righteous flourish; \* there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more. 8 He shall rule from sea to sea, \* and from the River to the ends of the earth. 9 His foes shall bow down before him, \* and his enemies lick the dust. 10 The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, \* and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts. 11 All kings shall bow down before him, \* and all the nations do him service. 12 For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, \* and the oppressed who has no helper. 13 He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; \* he shall preserve the lives of the needy. 14 He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, \* and dear shall their blood be in his sight. 15 Long may he live! and may there be given to him gold from Arabia; \* may prayer be made for him always, and may they bless him all the day long. 16 May there be abundance of grain on the earth, growing thick even on the hilltops; \* may its fruit flourish like Lebanon, and its grain like grass upon the earth. 17 May his name remain for ever and be established as long as the sun endures; \* may all the nations bless themselves in him and call him blessed. 18 Blessed be the Lord God, the God of Israel, \* who alone does wondrous deeds! 19 And blessed be his glorious name for ever! \* and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen.

O God, bring our nation and all nations to a sense of justice and equity, that poverty, oppression, and violence may vanish and all may know peace and plenty. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ.

## **The Proclamation of the Word** (page 51)

### **The Readings**

Ecclesiastes 9: 11-18

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to . . .

**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Sermon** (page 52)

**The All surpassing power and hope of God' Wisdom** - Pastor Dave Labdon

**Affirmation of Faith**

**The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again  
to judge the living 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.**

**Intercessions and Thanksgivings** (page 53)

*Intercession or thanksgiving may be offered for  
the Church  
the Queen and all in authority  
the world  
the local community  
those in need  
the departed.*

**The Collect**

God our redeemer, you have delivered us from the power of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your Son: grant, that as by His death He has recalled us to life, so by His continual presence in us He may raise us to eternal joy; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit ne God, now and forever. Amen.

### **The Lord's Prayer** (page 54)

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
**let us pray as our Saviour taught us,**

**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,  
the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **Dismissal** (page 55)

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*From Easter Day through the Day of Pentecost, **Alleluia***

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.**

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

May the God of peace enable us to do his will in every kind of goodness, working in us what pleases him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favour and grant us peace.  
**Amen.**