

## **Morning Prayer** (BAS, 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.

### **Easter**

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

### **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 following may be sung or said from Easter until Pentecost.*

**Christ our Passover** (page 50)

*1 Corinthians 5.7-8; Romans 6.9-11; 1 Corinthians 15.20-22*

Alleluia!

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*  
therefore let us keep the feast,  
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \*  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.  
Alleluia!

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \*  
death no longer has dominion over him.  
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \*  
but the life he lives, he lives to God.  
So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \*  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia!

Christ has been raised from the dead, \*  
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
For since by a man came death, \*  
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die, \*  
so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia!

## **The Psalms**

*Go to Psalm of the day*

**119: 97-120**

7 Oh, how I love your law! all the day long it is in my mind.  
98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, and it is  
always with me.  
99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, for your decrees are  
my study.  
100 I am wiser than the elders, \* because I observe your commandments.  
101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, \* that I may keep your word.  
102 I do not shrink from your judgements, \* because you yourself have  
taught me.  
103 How sweet are your words to my taste! \* they are sweeter than honey  
to my mouth.  
104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; \* therefore I hate  
every lying way.  
105 Your word is a lantern to my feet \* and a light upon my path.  
106 I have sworn and am determined \* to keep your righteous judgements.

107 I am deeply troubled; \* preserve my life, O Lord, according to your word.  
108 Accept, O Lord, the willing tribute of my lips, \* and teach me your judgements.  
109 My life is always in my hand, \* yet I do not forget your law.  
110 The wicked have set a trap for me, \* but I have not strayed from your commandments.  
111 Your decrees are my inheritance for ever; \* truly, they are the joy of my heart.  
112 I have applied my heart to fulfil your statutes \* for ever and to the end.  
113 I hate those who have a divided heart, \* but your law do I love.  
114 You are my refuge and shield; \* my hope is in your word.  
115 Away from me, you wicked! \* I will keep the commandments of my God.  
116 Sustain me according to your promise, that I may live, \* and let me not be disappointed in my hope.  
117 Hold me up, and I shall be safe, \* and my delight shall be ever in your statutes.  
118 You spurn all who stray from your statutes; \* their deceitfulness is in vain.  
119 In your sight all the wicked of the earth are but dross; \* therefore I love your decrees.  
120 My flesh trembles with dread of you; \* I am afraid of your judgements.

God, as your only Son revealed you still at work in your creation, so through Christ your living Word enable us to know your love and to share it with others. We ask this in his name. Amen

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

### **The Readings**

A reading from . . .

*Ephesians 1: 1-10*

<sup>1</sup> Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God,  
To God's holy people in Ephesus, the faithful in Christ Jesus:  
<sup>2</sup> Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.  
<sup>3</sup> Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. <sup>4</sup> For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love <sup>5</sup> he <sup>[b]</sup>predestined us for adoption to Sonship through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will – <sup>6</sup> to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. <sup>7</sup> In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace <sup>8</sup> that he lavished on us. With all wisdom and

understanding, <sup>9</sup> he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, <sup>10</sup> to be put into effect when the times reach their fulfilment – to bring unity to all things in heaven and on earth under Christ.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Homily – In Christ** – Pastor Dave

### **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)

On this day that the Lord has made, let us pray for the people he has redeemed.

That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross: may the truth that we have every spiritual blessing in Jesus Christ transform our lives, our attitudes and our actions. May we be filled with joy and hope this day; Lord in your mercy, **Hear Our Prayer**

That all people may receive the good news of his victory: may the redemption God provides through Jesus in His grace cause faith in the hearts of all those who do not yet know God. May your Holy Spirit convict all of the truth of Christ and may your people witness your love. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our Prayer**

That those born to new life in the waters of baptism may know the power of his resurrection: may the truth of Christ transform our lives so that the lives of others may also be transformed. May the power of Christ transform this world and bring new life. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our Prayer**

That those who suffer pain and anguish may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ: this day, in the situations we find ourselves in will pray for those on our hearts, I will pause after each section to allow you to pray their names and for their needs:

Those in despair and darkness.....  
Those in sickness and in ill health.....  
Those suffering in their mental health.....  
For family, loved ones and friends.....  
Those living in fear.....

Please meet their needs in the grace that you lavish upon us, Lord in your Mercy, **Hear our Prayer**

That in the undying love of Christ we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ: we remember those that we have loved and lost, those that face death now and those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time. We thank you that you will bring us to fullness of unity, together under Christ. Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer**

Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead, to the mercy and protection of God.

We bring these prayers together in today's collect and the Lord's prayer:

### **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***

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