**ONLINE SERVICE OF MORNING PRAYER**

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

**And also with you.**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

We have come together in the name of Christ

to offer our praise and thanksgiving,

to hear and receive God’s holy Word,

to pray for the needs of the world,

and to seek the forgiveness of our sins,

that by the power of the Holy Spirit

we may give ourselves to the service of God.

**Confession**

Jesus says, ‘Repent for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.’

So, let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ,

Confessing our sins in penitence and in faith.

**Lord God, we have sinned against you;**

**We have done evil in your sight.**

**We are sorry and repent.**

**Have mercy on us according to your love.**

**Wash away our wrongdoing and cleanse us from our sin.**

**Renew a right spirit within us and restore us to the joy of your salvation;**

**through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May the Father of all mercies cleanse us from our sins, and restore us in his image

to the praise and glory of his name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

Blessed is the Lord,

**for he has heard the voice of our prayer;**

therefore shall our hearts dance for joy

**and in our song will we praise our God.**

**Hymn**

The night has passed and the day lies open before us;

let us pray with one heart and mind.

*Silence is kept*

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,

so may the light of your presence, O God,

set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

**Amen.**

**The Psalm of the Day**

*The leader will say the verses and everyone will say the response*

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

**As it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**The First Reading**

This is the Word of the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

**Hymn**

**Gospel Reading**

This is the Gospel of the Lord

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Gospel Canticle**

Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel who has come to his people and set them free.

**He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of his servant David.**

Through his holy prophets God promised of old to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us,

**to show mercy to our ancestors, and to remember his holy covenant.**

This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham; to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

**Free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.**

And you child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

**To give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of all their sins.**

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and 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 shall be for ever. Amen.**

**Sermon may be preached**

**The Creed**

Do you believe and trust in God the Father source of all being and life,

the one for whom we exist?

**We believe and trust in him**

Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us

and rose again?

**We believe and trust in him**

Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God

and makes Christ known in the world?

**We believe and trust in him**

This is the faith of the Church.

**This is our faith. we believe and trust in one God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**Prayers**

*Prayers of intercession are offered.*

**Collect**

*The collect for the day is said.*

**The Lord’s Prayer**

Gathering our prayers and praises into one,

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has 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.**

 **Hymn**

**The Blessing**

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil and keep us in eternal life.

**Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**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.**

**Notices**