

Welcome and notices

We meet in the name of God:

God the Father,

God the Son,

God the Spirit:

God is one.

Let us pray.

Come, Holy Spirit,

fill the hearts of your faithful people,

and kindle in us the fire of your love;

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Hymn 44

BLESSED ASSURANCE, Jesus is mine:

O what a foretaste of glory divine!

Heir of salvation, purchase of God;

Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.

This is my story, this is my song,

Praising my Saviour all the day long.

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Perfect submission, perfect delight,

Visions of rapture burst on my sight;

Angels descending bring from above

Echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

Perfect submission, all is at rest,

I in my Saviour am happy and blessed;

Watching and waiting, looking above,
Filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

Fanny J. Crosby.

The Spirit of the Lord fills the world
and knows our every word and deed.
Let us then open ourselves to the Lord
and confess our sins in penitence and faith.

**Almighty God,
long-suffering and of great goodness:
I confess to you,
I confess with my whole heart
my neglect and forgetfulness of your commandments,
my wrong doing, thinking, and speaking;
the hurts I have done to others,
and the good I have left undone.
O God, forgive me, for I have sinned against you;
and raise me to newness of life;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

May the God of love and power
Forgive *us* and free *us* from *our* sins,
heal and strengthen *us* by his Spirit,
and raise *us* to new life in Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Hymn 42

BE THOU MY VISION, O Lord of my heart,
Be all else but naught to me, save that Thou art;
Be Thou my best thought in the day and the night,
Both waking and sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my wisdom, be Thou my true word,
Be Thou ever with me, and I with Thee, Lord;

Be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son;
Be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight;
Be Thou my whole armour, be Thou my true might;
Be Thou my soul's shelter, be Thou my strong tower:
O raise Thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I need not, nor man's empty praise:
Be Thou mine inheritance now and always;
Be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart:
O Sovereign of heaven, my treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright Sun,
O grant me its joys after victory is won;
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,
Still be Thou my vision, O Ruler of all.

Tr. Mary E. Byrne & Eleanor H. Hull

Collect

Almighty God,
you have made us for yourself,
and our hearts are restless till they find their rest in you:
pour your love into our hearts and draw us to yourself,
and so bring us at last to your heavenly city
where we shall see you face to face;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Psalm 66

1 Be joyful in God, all the earth; •
sing the glory of his name; sing the glory of his praise.

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2 Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! •

Because of your great strength your enemies shall bow
before you.

3 'All the earth shall worship you, •
sing to you, sing praise to your name.'

4 Come now and behold the works of God, •
how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind.

5 He turned the sea into dry land; the river they passed through on
foot; •
there we rejoiced in him.

6 In his might he rules for ever; his eyes keep watch over the
nations; •
let no rebel rise up against him.

7 Bless our God, O you peoples; •
make the voice of his praise to be heard,

8 Who holds our souls in life •
and suffers not our feet to slip.

9 For you, O God, have proved us; •
you have tried us as silver is tried.

10 You brought us into the snare; •
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

11 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and
water; •
but you brought us out into a place of liberty.

Bible Reading

2 Timothy 2:8-15

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

*Talk**Creed*

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ the Son of God.

**Though he was divine,
he did not cling to equality with God,
but made himself nothing.**

**Taking the form of a slave,
he was born in human likeness.**

**He humbled himself
and was obedient to death,
even the death of the cross.**

**Therefore God has raised him on high,
and given him the name above every name:
that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bow,
and every voice proclaim that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Hymn 19

AMAZING GRACE! how sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me;
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved;
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come;
'Tis grace that brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Yes, when this heart and flesh shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease,
I shall possess within the veil
A life of joy and peace.

When we've been there a thousand years,
Bright shining as the sun,
We've no less days to sing God's praise
Than when we first begun.

John Newton

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray
Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and for ever.
Amen.

*Intercessions**Praying for 5*

**O high king of heaven,
Have mercy on our land.
Restore the honour of your name.
Revive your church.
Send the Holy Spirit
For the sake of the lost
The least, and the broken.
May your Kingdom come to our nation.
In Jesus mighty name. Amen.**

**Heavenly father, you have welcomed us into your Kingdom and your heart's desire is to draw everyone to yourself. Grant us clear eyes to see people as you see them, sensitive feet to stand in their shoes, and a warm smile to welcome them in your name. Give us such generous hearts that our church becomes a foretaste of heaven where everyone you send us finds their loving home in the community of your son our saviour Jesus Christ
Amen**

Hymn 32

**AT THE NAME OF JESUS
Every knee shall bow,
Every tongue confess Him
King of glory now;
'Tis the Father's pleasure
We should call Him Lord,
Who from the beginning
Was the mighty Word.**

**Humbled for a season,
To receive a name
From the lips of sinners**

Unto whom He came;
Faithfully He bore it
Spotless to the last,
Brought it back victorious,
When from death He passed.

Bore it up triumphant
With its human light,
Through all ranks of creatures
To the central height,
To the throne of Godhead,
To the Father's breast,
Filled it with the glory
Of that perfect rest.

In your hearts enthrone Him;
There let Him subdue
All that is not holy,
All that is not true;
Crown Him as your Captain
In temptation's hour,
Let His will enfold you
In its light and power.

Brothers, this Lord Jesus
Shall return again,
With His Father's glory,
With His angel-train;
For all wreaths of empire
Meet upon His brow,
And our hearts confess Him
King of glory now.

Caroline Maria Noel

**In the power of the Holy Spirit
May we know the joy of the Lord,
Growing disciples of Christ
With compassion, confidence and courage
To the Glory of God the Father
Amen**

The love of the Lord Jesus
draw you to himself,
the power of the Lord Jesus
strengthen you in his service,
the joy of the Lord Jesus fill your hearts;
and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among us and remain with us always.
Amen.

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