

Morning Prayer

Week commencing 21st July 2026

Preparation

O Lord open our lips

All and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

A Song of God's Glorious Name

O Lord our governor,
how glorious is your name in all the world!

Your majesty above the heavens is praised
out of the mouths of babes at the breast.

You have founded a stronghold against your foes,
that you might still the enemy and the avenger.

When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars that you have ordained,

What are mortals, that you should be mindful of them;
mere human beings, that you should seek them out?

You have made them little lower than the angels
and crown them with glory and honour.

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands
and put all things under their feet,

All sheep and oxen,
even the wild beasts of the field,

The birds of the air, the fish of the sea
and whatsoever moves in the paths of the sea.

O Lord our governor,
how glorious is your name in all the world!

Psalm 8

All 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.

This opening prayer may be said

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.

All **Amen.**

The Word of God - Psalms, Old Testament and New Testament Readings

Tuesday 21st July

Psalms 5, 6	1 Samuel 10:17-end	Luke 22:31-38
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Wednesday 22nd July - Mary Magdalene

Psalms 30, 32, 150	1 Samuel 16:14-end	Luke 8:1-3
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Thursday 23rd July

Psalms 14, 15, 16	1 Samuel 12	Luke 22:47-62
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Friday 24th July

Psalms 17, 19	1 Samuel 13:5-18	Luke 22:63-end
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Saturday 25th July – James the Apostle

Psalms 7, 29, 117	2 Kings 1:9-15	Luke 9:45-56
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Sunday 26th July – 8th Sunday after Trinity

Psalms 77	Song of Solomon 2	1 Peter 4:7-14
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Monday 27th July

Psalms 27, 30	1 Samuel 14:24-46	Luke 23:13-25
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A suitable song or chant, or a responsory in this or another form, may follow the Scripture Readings

Lord, you will guide me with your counsel
and afterwards receive me with glory.

All **Lord, you will guide me with your counsel
and afterwards receive me with glory.**

For I am always with you;
you hold me by my right hand.

All **And afterwards receive me with glory.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit.

All **Lord, you will guide me with your counsel
and afterwards receive me with glory.**

from Psalm 73

Gospel Canticle

The Benedictus (The Song of Zechariah)

All You show mercy to our ancestors,
and remember your holy covenant.

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.

Luke 1.68-79

All 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.

All You show mercy to our ancestors,
and remember your holy covenant.

Prayers

Intercessions are offered for the world and its needs, the Church, and for ourselves.

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy

or

Lord, hear us

All hear our prayer.

All Lord, graciously hear us.

Silence may be kept.

This Collect or the Collect of the day is said

Creator God,
you made us all
in your image:
may we discern
you in all that
we see,
and serve you
in all that we
do;
through Jesus
Christ our Lord.

Mary Magdalene
Almighty God,
whose Son restored Mary
Magdalene to health of
mind and body
and called her to be a
witness to his
resurrection:
forgive our sins and heal
us by your grace,
that we may serve you in
the power of his risen life;

James the Apostle

Merciful God,
whose holy apostle Saint James,
leaving his father and all that he had,
was obedient to the calling of your Son
Jesus Christ
and followed him even to death:
help us, forsaking the false attractions
of the world,
to be ready at all times to answer your
call without delay;
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.

All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All 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.

The Conclusion

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

All Amen

Let us bless the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.