Morning Prayer

Week commencing 23rd November 2026

Preparation

O Lord open our lips

All **and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Your faithful servants bless you.

All **They make known the glory of your kingdom.**

A Song of Trust in God

1 As the deer longs for the water brooks,
so longs my soul for you, O God.

2 My soul is athirst for God, even for the living God;
when shall I come before the presence of God?

3 My tears have been my bread day and night,
while all day long they say to me, 'Where is now your God?'

4 Now when I think on these things, I pour out my soul:
how I went with the multitude
and led the procession to the house of God,

5 With the voice of praise and thanksgiving,
among those who kept holy day.

6 Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul,
and why are you so disquieted within me?

7 O put your trust in God;
for I will yet give him thanks,
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.

Psalm 42:1-7

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 24th November		
Psalms 97, 98, 100	Isaiah 40:12-26	Rev 14:14-end of 15
Wednesday 25th November		
Psalm 119:105-128	Isaiah 40:27-41:7	Revelation 16:1-11
Thursday 26th November		
Ps 125, 126, 127, 128	Isaiah 41:8-20	Revelation 16:12-end
Friday 27th November		
Psalm 139	Isaiah 41:21-42:9	Revelation 17
Saturday 28th November		
Psalm 145	Isaiah 42:10-17	Revelation 18
Sunday 29th November – Advent Sunday		
Psalm 44	Isaiah 2:1-5	Luke 12:-35-48
Monday 30th November		
Psalms 47, 147:1-12	Ezekiel 47:1-12	John 12:20-32

A suitable song or chant, or a responsory in this or another form, may follow the Scripture Readings

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord,
All **my lips shall proclaim your faithfulness.**

The heavens bear witness to your wonders;
All **I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.**

Set your minds on things that are above,
not on things that are on the earth.
All **my lips shall proclaim your faithfulness.**

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;
steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.
All **I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.**
my lips shall proclaim your faithfulness.

from Psalm 89

Gospel Canticle

The Benedictus (The Song of Zechariah)

All **You will guide us with your counsel, O God,**
and afterwards receive us with glory.

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 will guide us with your counsel, O God,**
and afterwards receive us with glory.

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

God the Father,
help us to hear the call of Christ the King
and to follow in his service,
whose kingdom has no end;
for he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, one glory.

Andrew the Apostle:

Almighty God, who gave such grace to your apostle Saint Andrew
that he readily obeyed the call of your Son Jesus Christ and brought his brother with him:
call us by your holy word,
and give us grace to follow you without delay
and to tell the good news of your kingdom;
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.

Advent Sunday:

Almighty God,
as your kingdom dawns,
turn us from the darkness of sin to the light of holiness,
that we may be ready to meet you in our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ.

All **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer is said

Uniting our prayers with the whole company of heaven,
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

May Christ, who has opened the kingdom of heaven,
bring us to reign with him in glory.

All **Amen**

Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

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