**Morning Prayer Ordinary Time**

 O Lord, open our lips
**Alland our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Blessed are you, creator of all,
 to you be praise and glory for ever.
 As your dawn renews the face of the earth
 bringing light and life to all creation,
 may we rejoice in this day you have made;
 as we wake refreshed from the depths of sleep,
 open our eyes to behold your presence
 and strengthen our hands to do your will,
 that the world may rejoice and give you praise.
 Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
**AllBlessed be God for ever.**

 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**

**Psalm 27 v 1, 3-6,8**

1     The Lord is my light and my salvation;

whom then shall I fear?

The Lord is the strength of my life;

of whom then shall I be afraid?

2 Though a host encamp against me,

my heart shall not be afraid,

and though there rise up war against me,

yet will I put my trust in him.

3     One thing have I asked of the Lord

and that alone I seek:

that I may dwell in the house of the Lord

all the days of my life,

4     To behold the fair beauty of the Lord

and to seek his will in his temple.

5     For in the day of trouble

he shall hide me in his shelter;

in the secret place of his dwelling shall he hide me

and set me high upon a rock.

6 Therefore will I offer in his dwelling an oblation

with great gladness;

I will sing and make music to the Lord.

**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**

**Bible Reading**

**The Benedictus**

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

10 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.**

**Prayers**

*Response is:*

Lord in your mercy

**All hear our prayer**

**The Lord’s Prayer**

**All 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**

**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**