

**Fixed Hour Prayer for
Wednesdays in Lent
February 17 - March 24, 2021**

Wednesday Morning Prayer

The Call to Prayer

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due His name; bring offerings and come into His courts. (Psalm 96:8)

Request for God's Presence

I call upon God, and the Lord will save me. (Psalm 55:16)

The Greeting

God is faithful; by Him you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. (1 Corinthians 1:9)

Morning Hymn

ELW #324 In the Cross of Christ I Glory

In the cross of Christ, I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time.
All the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'er take me, hopes deceive and fears annoy,
never shall the cross forsake me; lo, it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way;
from the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified;
peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

Morning Psalm

Psalm 40: 1-11

I waited patiently for the Lord;
 he inclined to me and heard my cry.
He drew me up from the desolate pit,
 out of the miry bog,
and set my feet upon a rock,
 making my steps secure.
He put a new song in my mouth,
 a song of praise to our God.

Many will see and fear,
and put their trust in the Lord.
Happy are those who make
the Lord their trust,
who do not turn to the proud,
to those who go astray after false gods.
You have multiplied, O Lord my God,
your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us;
none can compare with you.
Were I to proclaim and tell of them,
they would be more than can be counted.
Sacrifice and offering you do not desire,
but you have given me an open ear.
Burnt offering and sin offering
you have not required.
Then I said, "Here I am;
in the scroll of the book it is written of me.
I delight to do your will, O my God;
your law is within my heart."
I have told the glad news of deliverance
in the great congregation;
see, I have not restrained my lips,
as you know, O Lord.
I have not hidden your saving help within my heart,
I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;
I have not concealed your steadfast love and your faithfulness
from the great congregation.
Do not, O Lord, withhold
your mercy from me;
let your steadfast love and your faithfulness
keep me safe forever.

Morning Scripture Verses

I, therefore, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all. (Ephesians 4: 1-6)

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Final Blessing

Peace be to the whole community and love with faith, from God the Father
and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all who have an undying love for
our Lord Jesus Christ. (Ephesians 6:23-24)

Wednesday Evening Prayer

Call to Prayer

May the Lord Almighty grant me and those I love a peaceful night and a
perfect end. Amen.

The Request for God's Presence

Our help is in the Name of the Lord; the maker of heaven and earth.

Evening Hymn

ELW #570 Now the Day is Over

Now the day is over; night is drawing nigh;
shadows of the evening steal across the sky.

Jesus give the weary, calm and sweet repose
with your tenderest blessing may our eyelids close.

When the morning wakens, then may I arise
pure and fresh and sinless in your holy eyes.

Glory to the Father, glory to the Son,
and to you, blest Spirit, while the ages run.

The Refrain for Evening Lessons

I will fulfill my vows to the Lord in the presence of all His people. (Psalm 116:18)

Evening Psalm

Psalm 63: 1-8

O God, you are my God, I seek you,
 my soul thirsts for you;
my flesh faints for you,
 as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
So I have looked upon you in the sanctuary,
 beholding your power and glory.
Because your steadfast love is better than life,
 my lips will praise you.
So I will bless you as long as I live;
 I will lift up my hands and call on your name.
My soul is satisfied as with a rich feast,
 and my mouth praises you with joyful lips
when I think of you on my bed,
 and meditate on you in the watches of the night;
for you have been my help,
 and in the shadow of your wings I sing for joy.
My soul clings to you;
 your right hand upholds me.

Evening Scripture Reading: Luke 10: 38-42

Now as they went on their way, he entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

The Refrain for Evening Lessons

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The Lord's Prayer

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and ever. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

Heavenly Father, in you I live and move and have my being. I humbly pray
you so to guide and govern me by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and
occupations of my life I may not forget you, but may remember that I am
ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.

Fixed Hour Prayer for Thursdays in Lent February 18 - March 25, 2021

Thursday Morning Prayer

The Call to Prayer

The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, the world, and those who live in
it. (Ps. 24:1)

Request for God's Presence

The mighty one, God the Lord, speaks and summons the earth from the
rising of the sun to its setting. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty, God
shines forth. (Psalm 50:1-2)

The Greeting

We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our
prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of
faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.
(1 Thessalonians 1:2-3)

Morning Hymn

ELW #335 Jesus Keep Me Near the Cross

Jesus, keep me near the cross, there's a precious fountain;
free to all, a healing stream flows from Calvary's mountain.

In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever;
till my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Near the cross, a trembling soul, love and mercy found me;
there the bright and morning star sheds its beams around me.
In the cross, in the cross be my glory ever;
till my ransomed soul shall find rest beyond the river.

Morning Psalm

Psalm 90

You who live in the shelter of the Most High,
 who abide in the shadow of the Almighty,
will say to the Lord, "My refuge and my fortress;
 my God, in whom I trust."
For he will deliver you from the snare of the fowler
 and from the deadly pestilence;
he will cover you with his pinions,
 and under his wings you will find refuge;
 his faithfulness is a shield and buckler.
You will not fear the terror of the night,
 or the arrow that flies by day,
or the pestilence that stalks in darkness,
 or the destruction that wastes at noonday.
A thousand may fall at your side,
 ten thousand at your right hand,
 but it will not come near you.
You will only look with your eyes
 and see the punishment of the wicked.
Because you have made the Lord your refuge,
 the Most High your dwelling place,
no evil shall befall you,
 no scourge come near your tent.
For he will command his angels concerning you
 to guard you in all your ways.
On their hands they will bear you up,
 so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.
You will tread on the lion and the adder,
 the young lion and the serpent you will trample under foot.
Those who love me, I will deliver;
 I will protect those who know my name.
When they call to me, I will answer them;

I will be with them in trouble,
I will rescue them and honor them.
With long life I will satisfy them,
and show them my salvation.

Morning Scripture Verses

Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus. Let those of us then who are mature be of the same mind; and if you think differently about anything, this too God will reveal to you. Only let us hold fast to what we have attained. (Philippians 3:12-16)

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Final Blessing

"It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches; I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star." The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." The grace of our Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

(Revelation 22:16, 20-21)

Thursday Evening Prayer

Call to Prayer

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.
(Psalm 103:1)

The Request for God's Presence

Hear, O heavens, and listen, O earth; for the Lord has spoken. (Isaiah 1:2a)

Evening Hymn

ELW #629 Abide With Me

Abide with me, fast falls the eventide. The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide.

When other helpers fail and comforts flee, help of the helpless, oh, abide with me.

I fear no foe, with thee at hand to bless; ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness.

Where is death's sting? Where, grave, thy victory? I triumph still, if thou abide with me.

Hold thou thy cross before my closing eyes, shine through the gloom, and point me to the skies;

Heav'n's morning breaks, and earth's vain shadows flee; in life, in death, O Lord, abide with me.

The Refrain for Evening Lessons

O Lord, what are human beings that you regard them, or mortals that you think of them? (Psalm 144:3)

Evening Psalm

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change,
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

though its waters roar and foam,
though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved;
God will help it when the morning dawns.

The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter;
he utters his voice, the earth melts.

The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the Lord;
see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;
he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear;

he burns the shields with fire.
“Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations,
I am exalted in the earth.”
The Lord of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Evening Scripture Reading

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, “It is I; do not be afraid.” Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going. (John 6: 16-21)

The Refrain for Evening Lessons

O Lord, what are human beings that you regard them, or mortals that you think of them? (Psalm 144:3)

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

O Lord, support us all the day long of this troubled life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over, and our work is done. Then, in your mercy, grant us a safe lodging, and a holy rest, and peace at the last, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Fixed Hour Prayer for
Fridays in Lent
February 19 - March 26, 2021**

Friday Morning Prayer

The Call to Prayer

Praise the Lord! Praise, O Servants of the Lord; praise the name of the Lord. Blessed be the name of the Lord from this time on and forevermore. From the rising of the sun to its setting the name of the Lord is to be praised. (Psalm 113: 1-3)

Request for God's Presence

I cry aloud to the Lord, and He answers me from His holy hill. (Psalm 3:4)

The Greeting

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Morning Hymn

ELW #556 Morning Has Broken

Morning has broken like the first morning; blackbird has spoken like the first bird.

Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them, springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain's new fall, sunlit from heaven, like the first dew fall on the first grass.

Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where God's feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning, born of the one light Eden saw play!

Praise with elation, praise every morning, God's recreation of the new day!

Morning Psalm

Psalm 67

May God be gracious to us and bless us
and make his face to shine upon us,
that your way may be known upon earth,
your saving power among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
Let the nations be glad and sing for joy,
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide the nations upon earth.
Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
The earth has yielded its increase;
God, our God, has blessed us.
May God continue to bless us;
let all the ends of the earth revere him.

Morning Scripture Verses

God said to Elijah, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" (1 Kings 19: 11-13)

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Final Blessing

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought me in safety to the beginning of this day: Preserve me with your mighty power, that I may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all I do, direct me to the fulfilling of your purposes; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.

Friday Evening Prayer

Call to Prayer

Jesus Christ is the light of the world, the light no darkness can overcome.
Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening, and the day is almost over.
Let your light scatter the darkness and illumine your church.

The Request for God's Presence

O Lord, God of my salvation, when, at night, I cry out in your presence, let my prayer come before you; incline your ear to my cry. (Psalm 88:1-2)

Evening Hymn

ELW # 561 Joyous Light of Heavenly Glory

Joyous light of heavenly glory, loving glow of God's own face,
you who sing creation's story, shine on every land and race.
Now as evening falls around us, we shall raise our songs to you.
God of daybreak, God of shadows, come and light our hearts anew.

In the stars that grace the darkness, in the blazing sun of dawn,
in the light of peace and wisdom, we can hear your quiet song.
Love that fills the night with wonder, love that warms the weary soul,
love that bursts all chains asunder, set us free and make us whole.

You who made the heaven's splendor, every dancing star of night,
make us shine with gentle justice, let us each reflect your light.
Mighty God of all creation, gentle Christ who lights our way,
loving Spirit of salvation, lead us on to endless day.

The Refrain for Evening Lessons

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts; so I am helped, and my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him.

(Psalm 28:7)

Evening Psalm

Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills—
 from where will my help come?
My help comes from the Lord,
 who made heaven and earth.
He will not let your foot be moved;
 he who keeps you will not slumber.
He who keeps Israel

will neither slumber nor sleep.
The Lord is your keeper;
the Lord is your shade at your right hand.
The sun shall not strike you by day,
nor the moon by night.
The Lord will keep you from all evil;
he will keep your life.
The Lord will keep
your going out and your coming in
from this time on and forevermore.

Evening Scripture Reading

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it. (John 1: 1-5)

The Refrain for Evening Lessons

The Lord is my strength and my shield; in Him my heart trusts; so I am helped, and my heart exults, and with my song I give thanks to Him. (Psalm 28:7)

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

Be our light in the darkness, O God, and in your great mercy defend us
from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our
Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

**Fixed Hour Prayer for
Saturdays in Lent
February 20 - March 27, 2021**

Saturday Morning Prayer

The Call to Prayer

O give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; for His steadfast love endures forever. Let the redeemed of the Lord say so, those He redeemed from trouble and gathered in from the lands, from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south. (Psalm 107:1-3)

Request for God's Presence

Let your steadfast love come to me, O Lord, your salvation according to your promise. (Psalm 119:41)

The Greeting

First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for all of you, because your faith is proclaimed throughout the world. (Romans 1:8)

Morning Hymn

ELW #618 Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

Guide me ever, great Redeemer, pilgrim through this barren land.
I am weak, but you are mighty; hold me with your powerful hand.
Bread of heaven, bread of heaven, feed me now and evermore,
feed me now and evermore.

Open now the crystal fountain, where the healing waters flow;
let the fire and cloudy pillar lead me all my journey's through.
Strong deliverer, strong deliverer, shield me with your mighty arm,
shield me with your mighty arm.

When I tread the verge of Jordan, bid my anxious fears subside;
death of death and hell's destruction, land me safe on Canaan's side.
Songs and praises, songs and praises, I will raise forevermore,
I will raise forevermore.

Morning Psalm

Psalm 66: 1-9

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth;
sing the glory of his name;

give to him glorious praise.
Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds!
Because of your great power, your enemies cringe before you.
All the earth worships you;
they sing praises to you,
sing praises to your name."
Come and see what God has done:
he is awesome in his deeds among mortals.
He turned the sea into dry land;
they passed through the river on foot.
There we rejoiced in him,
who rules by his might forever,
whose eyes keep watch on the nations—
let the rebellious not exalt themselves.
Bless our God, O peoples,
let the sound of his praise be heard.

Morning Scripture Verses

Joshua 1: 1-9

After the death of Moses the servant of the Lord, the Lord spoke to Joshua son of Nun, Moses' assistant, saying, "My servant Moses is dead. Now proceed to cross the Jordan, you and all this people, into the land that I am giving to them, to the Israelites. Every place that the sole of your foot will tread upon I have given to you, as I promised to Moses. From the wilderness and the Lebanon as far as the great river, the river Euphrates, all the land of the Hittites, to the Great Sea in the west shall be your territory. No one shall be able to stand against you all the days of your life. As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will not fail you or forsake you. Be strong and courageous; for you shall put this people in possession of the land that I swore to their ancestors to give them. Only be strong and very courageous, being careful to act in accordance with all the law that my servant Moses commanded you; do not turn from it to the right hand or to the left, so that you may be successful wherever you go. This book of the law shall not depart out of your mouth; you shall meditate on it day and night, so that you may be careful to act in accordance with all that is written in it. For then you shall make your way prosperous, and then you shall be successful. I hereby command you: Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Final Blessing

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that He
may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on Him, because He cares
for you. (1 Peter 5:6-7)

Saturday Evening Prayer

Call to Prayer

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light upon my path. (Psalm 119:105)

The Request for God's Presence

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.
(Psalm 71:1)

Evening Hymn

ELW #338 Beneath the Cross of Jesus

Beneath the cross of Jesus I long to take my stand;
the shadow of a mighty rock within a weary land,
a home within a wilderness, a rest upon the way,
from the burning of the noontide heat and burdens of the day.

Upon the cross of Jesus, my eye at times can see
the very dying form one who suffered there for me.
And from my contrite heart with tears, two wonders I confess:
the wonder of His glorious love and my unworthiness.

I take, O Cross, your shadow for my abiding place;
I ask no other sunshine than the sunshine of His face;
content to let the world go by, to know no gain nor loss;
my sinful self my only shame, my glory all, the cross.

Refrain for Evening Lessons

Behold now! Bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, you that stand by night in the house of the Lord. (Psalm 134:1)

Evening Psalm

Psalm 84

How lovely is your dwelling place,
O Lord of hosts!

My soul longs, indeed it faints
for the courts of the Lord;
my heart and my flesh sing for joy
to the living God.

Even the sparrow finds a home,
and the swallow a nest for herself,
where she may lay her young,
at your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.

Happy are those who live in your house,
ever singing your praise.

Happy are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

As they go through the valley of Baca
they make it a place of springs;
the early rain also covers it with pools.

They go from strength to strength;
the God of gods will be seen in Zion.

O Lord God of hosts, hear my prayer;
give ear, O God of Jacob!

Behold our shield, O God;
look on the face of your anointed.

For a day in your courts is better
than a thousand elsewhere.

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God
than live in the tents of wickedness.

For the Lord God is a sun and shield;
he bestows favor and honor.

No good thing does the Lord withhold
from those who walk uprightly.

O Lord of hosts,
happy is everyone who trusts in you.

Evening Scripture Reading

Mark 10: 46-52

They came to Jericho. As Jesus and his disciples and a large crowd were leaving Jericho, Bartimaeus son of Timaeus, a blind beggar, was sitting by the roadside. When he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth, he began to shout out and say, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" Many sternly ordered him to be quiet, but he cried out even more loudly, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" Jesus stood still and said, "Call him here." And they called the blind man, saying to him, "Take heart; get up, he is calling you." So throwing off his cloak, he sprang up and came to Jesus. Then Jesus said to him, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man said to him, "My teacher, let me see again." Jesus said to him, "Go; your faith has made you well." Immediately he regained his sight and followed him on the way.

Refrain for Evening Lessons

Behold now! Bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord, you that stand by night in the house of the Lord. (Psalm 134:1)

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have graciously protected us today. We ask you to forgive us all our sins, where we have done wrong, and graciously to protect us tonight. Into your hands we commend ourselves: our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels be with us, so that the wicked foe may have no power over us. Amen.

**Fixed Hour Prayer for
Sundays in Lent
February 21 - March 21, 2021**

Sunday Morning Prayer

The Call to Prayer

I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised, and so shall I be saved from my enemies. (Psalm 18:3)

Request for God's Presence

The Lord grants lovingkindness in the daytime; in the night season the Lord's song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life. (Psalm 42:8)

The Greeting

When I remember you in my prayers, I always thank my God because I hear of your love for all the saints and your faith toward the Lord Jesus.

(Philemon 4)

Morning Hymn

ELW #772 Oh, That the Lord Would Guide My Ways

Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways to keep His statutes still!
Oh, that my God would grant me grace to know and do His will!

Order my footsteps by your word and make my heart sincere;
let sin have no dominion, Lord, but keep my conscience clear.

Assist my soul, too apt to stray, a stricter watch to keep;
and should I e'er forget your way, restore your wandering sheep.

Make me to walk in your commands, 'tis a delightful road;
nor let my heard or heart or hands offend against my God.

Morning Psalm

Psalm 145: 1-9

I will extol you, my God and King,
and bless your name forever and ever.
Every day I will bless you,
and praise your name forever and ever.
Great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;
his greatness is unsearchable.

One generation shall laud your works to another,
and shall declare your mighty acts.
On the glorious splendor of your majesty,
and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
The might of your awesome deeds shall be proclaimed,
and I will declare your greatness.
They shall celebrate the fame of your abundant goodness,
and shall sing aloud of your righteousness.
The Lord is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.
The Lord is good to all,
and his compassion is over all that he has made.

Morning Scripture Verses

Isaiah 42: 1-9

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights;
I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.
He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;
a bruised reed he will not break and a dimly burning wick he will not
quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice.
He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the
earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.
Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out,
who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the
people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it:
I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the
hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to
the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from
the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.
I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise
to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now
declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Final Blessing

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. (1 John 4:7)

Sunday Evening Prayer

Call to Prayer

Finally, brothers and sisters, pray for us, so that the word of the Lord may spread rapidly and be glorified everywhere, just as it is among you.

(2 Thessalonians 3:1)

The Request for God's Presence

Unless the Lord builds the house, their labor is in vain who build it. Unless the Lord watches over the city, in vain the sentinel keeps vigil.

(Psalm 127:1)

Evening Hymn

ELW #565 All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night

All praise to thee, my God, this night for all the blessings of the light.

Keep me, oh, keep me, King of kings, beneath thine own almighty wings.

Forgive me, Lord, for thy dear Son, the ill that I this day have done;
that with the world, myself, and thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here
below;

praise God above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

The Refrain for Evening Lessons

For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light. (Psalm 36:9)

Evening Psalm

Psalm 51: 1-12

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;

according to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.

Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.

For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

Against you, you alone, have I sinned,

and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.
Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.
You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.
Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.
Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.
Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.

Evening Scripture Reading

Mark 14:3-9

While Jesus was at Bethany in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at the table, a woman came with an alabaster jar of very costly ointment of nard, and she broke open the jar and poured the ointment on his head. But some were there who said to one another in anger, "Why was the ointment wasted in this way? For this ointment could have been sold for more than three hundred denarii, and the money given to the poor." And they scolded her. But Jesus said, "Let her alone; why do you trouble her? She has performed a good service for me. For you always have the poor with you, and you can show kindness to them whenever you wish; but you will not always have me. She has done what she could; she has anointed my body beforehand for its burial. Truly I tell you, wherever the good news is proclaimed in the whole world, what she has done will be told in remembrance of her."

The Refrain for Evening Lessons

For with you is the well of life, and in your light we see light. (Psalm 36:9)

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work or watch or weep this night,
and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, give rest
to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, comfort the afflicted,
shield the joyous; all for your love's sake. Amen.

**Fixed Hour Prayer for
Mondays in Lent
February 22 - March 22, 2021**

Monday Morning Prayer

The Call to Prayer

O Lord, open my lips, and my mouth shall declare your praise.
(Psalm 51:15)

Request for God's Presence

Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth (Psalm 54:2)

Morning Hymn

ELW #512 Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil

Lord, let my heart be good soil, open to the seed of your word.
Lord, let my heart be good soil, where love can grow and peace is
understood.

When my heart is hard, break the stone away.

When my heart is cold, warm it with the day.

When my heart is lost, lead me on your way.

Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart, Lord, let my heart be good soil.

Morning Psalm

Psalm 139: 1-14

O Lord, you have searched me and known me.

You know when I sit down and when I rise up;
 you discern my thoughts from far away.
You search out my path and my lying down,
 and are acquainted with all my ways.
Even before a word is on my tongue,
 O Lord, you know it completely.
You hem me in, behind and before,
 and lay your hand upon me.
Such knowledge is too wonderful for me;
 it is so high that I cannot attain it.
Where can I go from your spirit?
 Or where can I flee from your presence?
If I ascend to heaven, you are there;
 if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there.
If I take the wings of the morning
 and settle at the farthest limits of the sea,
even there your hand shall lead me,
 and your right hand shall hold me fast.
If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me,
 and the light around me become night,"
even the darkness is not dark to you;
 the night is as bright as the day,
 for darkness is as light to you.
For it was you who formed my inward parts;
 you knit me together in my mother's womb.
I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.
 Wonderful are your works;
that I know very well.

Morning Scripture Verses

John 13: 31-35

When Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Final Blessing

O God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see
the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us
faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that
your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ
our Lord. Amen.

Monday Evening Prayer

Call to Prayer

The Lord is my light and my salvation. Whom shall I fear? The Lord is the
stronghold of my life. Of whom shall I be afraid? (Psalm 27:1)

The Request for God's Presence

But you, O Lord, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid.
(Psalm 22:19)

Evening Hymn

ELW #336 Lamb of God: Your Only Son

Your only Son, no sin to hide, but you have sent Him from your side
to walk upon this guilty sod and to become the Lamb of God.

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God.

O wash me in your precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Your gift of love we crucified. We laughed and scorned Him as He died.
The humble king we named a fraud and sacrificed the Lamb of God.

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God.

O wash me in your precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

I was so lost, I should have died, but you have brought me to your side
to be led by your staff and rod and to be called a lamb of God.

O Lamb of God, sweet Lamb of God, I love the holy Lamb of God.
O wash me in your precious blood, my Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God.

Evening Psalm

Psalm 23

The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;
he leads me beside still waters;
he restores my soul.

He leads me in right paths
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
I fear no evil;

for you are with me;
your rod and your staff—
they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies;
you anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
my whole life long.

Evening Scripture Reading

John 10: 7-18

So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father

loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

The Request for God’s Presence

But you, O Lord, do not be far away! O my help, come quickly to my aid.
(Psalm 22:19)

The Lord’s Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

Gracious God, we give you thanks for the day, especially for the good we were permitted to give and to receive; the day is now past and we commit it to you. We entrust to you the night; we rest securely, for you are our help, and you neither slumber nor sleep; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Fixed Hour Prayer for
Tuesdays in Lent
February 23 - March 23, 2021**

Tuesday Morning Prayer

The Call to Prayer

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon God’s name; make known the deeds of the Lord among the peoples. (Psalm 105:1)

Request for God’s Presence

My soul waits for the Lord more than those who keep watch for the morning, more than those who keep watch for the morning. (Psalm 130:6)

The Greeting

Long ago, God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these days He has spoken to us by a Son, whom He appointed heir of all things, through whom He also created the world.

(Hebrews 1: 1-2)

Morning Hymn

ELW #638 Blessed Assurance

Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine! Oh 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 Savior all the day long.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, perfect delight, visions of rapture now burst on my sight;

Angels descending bring from above echoes of mercy, whispers of love.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Perfect submission, all is at rest; I in my Savior am happy and blest;
watching and waiting, looking above, filled with His goodness, lost in His love.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

This is my story, this is my song, praising my Savior all the day long.

Morning Psalm

Psalm 108: 1-6

My heart is steadfast, O God, my heart is steadfast;

I will sing and make melody.

Awake, my soul!

Awake, O harp and lyre!

I will awake the dawn.

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, among the peoples,
and I will sing praises to you among the nations.

For your steadfast love is higher than the heavens,
and your faithfulness reaches to the clouds.

Be exalted, O God, above the heavens,
and let your glory be over all the earth.

Give victory with your right hand, and answer me,
so that those whom you love may be rescued.

Morning Scripture Reading

Lamentation 3: 22-26

The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases,
his mercies never come to an end;
they are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.

“The Lord is my portion,” says my soul,
“therefore I will hope in him.”

The Lord is good to those who wait for him,
to the soul that seeks him.

It is good that one should wait quietly
for the salvation of the Lord.

The Lord's Prayer

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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Final Blessing

Luke 2: 29-32

“Lord, now you are dismissing your servant in peace, according to your word; for my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the presence of all peoples, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.”

Tuesday Evening Prayer

Call to Prayer

Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the Lord, “You are my Lord, my good above all other.” (Psalm 16:1)

The Request for God's Presence

I am God, and also henceforth I am He; there is no one who can deliver from my hand; I work and who can hinder it? (Isaiah 43:13)

Evening Hymn

ELW #785 When Peace Like a River

When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll,

whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, it is well, it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Though Satan should buffet, though trials should come, let this blest assurance control,

that Christ hath regarded my helpless estate and hath shed His own blood for my soul.

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

He lives, oh the bliss of this glorious thought, my sin, not in part but the whole,

is nailed to His cross and I bear it no more. Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul.

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

Lord, hasten the day when our faith shall be sight, the clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

the trumpet shall sound and the Lord shall descend, even so it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul, it is well, it is well with my soul.

The Refrain for Evening Lessons

The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky proclaims its maker's handiwork. (Psalm 19:1)

Evening Psalm

Psalm 17: 1-9

Hear a just cause, O Lord; attend to my cry;
give ear to my prayer from lips free of deceit.

From you let my vindication come;
let your eyes see the right.

If you try my heart, if you visit me by night,
if you test me, you will find no wickedness in me;
my mouth does not transgress.

As for what others do, by the word of your lips
I have avoided the ways of the violent.

My steps have held fast to your paths;
my feet have not slipped.
I call upon you, for you will answer me, O God;
incline your ear to me, hear my words.
Wondrously show your steadfast love,
O savior of those who seek refuge
from their adversaries at your right hand.
Guard me as the apple of the eye;
hide me in the shadow of your wings,
from the wicked who despoil me,
my deadly enemies who surround me.

Evening Scripture Reading

Luke 12: 22-31

Jesus said to his disciples, “Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat, or about your body, what you will wear. For life is more than food, and the body more than clothing. Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them. Of how much more value are you than the birds! And can any of you by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? If then you are not able to do so small a thing as that, why do you worry about the rest? Consider the lilies, how they grow: they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! And do not keep striving for what you are to eat and what you are to drink, and do not keep worrying. For it is the nations of the world that strive after all these things, and your Father knows that you need them. Instead, strive for his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

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The Lord’s Prayer

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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 and the power and the glory forever
and ever. Amen.

Concluding Prayer

Eternal God, the hours both of day and night are yours, and to you the darkness is no threat. Be present, we pray, with those who labor in these hours of night, especially those who watch and work on behalf of others. Grant them diligence in their watching, faithfulness in their service, courage in danger, and competence in emergencies. Help them to meet the needs of others with confidence and compassion; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.