

**A Service of Morning Prayer  
Wednesday, July 2, 2025**



**Christ sending out the disciples two by two**  
Painting by French artist James Tissot, 1836-1902

Lord, open our lips,

**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

O God, make speed to save us.

**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

CP 585 Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

1 Lord, whose love in humble service bore the weight of human need,  
who upon the cross, forsaken, worked your mercy's perfect deed:  
we, your servants, bring the worship not of voice alone, but heart;  
consecrating to your purpose every gift which you impart.

2 Still your children wander homeless; still the hungry cry for bread;  
still the captives long for freedom; still in grief we mourn our dead.  
As you, Lord, in deep compassion healed the sick and freed the soul,  
by your Spirit send your power to our world to make it whole.

3 As we worship, grant us vision till you love's revealing light  
in its height and depth and greatness dawns upon our quickened sight,  
making known the needs and burdens your compassion bids us bear,  
stirring us to ardent service, your abundant life to share.

Gathering: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
And the love of God,  
And the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,  
Be with you all.

**And also with you.**

May his grace and peace be with you.

**May he fill our hearts with joy.**

Almighty God,  
**To you all hearts are open,  
 All desires known,  
 And from you no secrets are hidden.  
 Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts  
 By the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,  
 That we may perfectly love you,  
 And worthily magnify your holy name.  
 Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Trisagion: Holy God,  
 Holy and mighty,  
 Holy and immortal one,  
 Have mercy on us. (3x)

Psalm 75      *Refrain: We will praise your name for ever.*

- <sup>1</sup> We give thanks to you, O God; we give thanks; your name is near. People tell of your wondrous deeds.  
<sup>2</sup> At the set time that I appoint I will judge with equity.  
<sup>3</sup> When the earth totters, with all its inhabitants, it is I who keep its pillars steady.  
<sup>4</sup> I say to the boastful, 'Do not boast', and to the wicked, 'Do not lift up your horn;  
<sup>5</sup> do not lift up your horn on high, or speak with insolent neck.'  
<sup>6</sup> For not from the east or from the west and not from the wilderness comes lifting up;  
<sup>7</sup> but it is God who executes judgement, putting down one and lifting up another.  
<sup>8</sup> For in the hand of the LORD there is a cup with foaming wine, well mixed; he will pour a draught from it, and all the wicked of the earth shall drain it down to the dregs.  
<sup>9</sup> But I will rejoice for ever; I will sing praises to the God of Jacob.  
<sup>10</sup> All the horns of the wicked I will cut off, but the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

The Gospel:

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew  
**Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Matthew 10:16-25

- <sup>16</sup> 'See, I am sending you out like sheep into the midst of wolves; so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves.  
<sup>17</sup> Beware of them, for they will hand you over to councils and flog you in their synagogues;  
<sup>18</sup> and you will be dragged before governors and kings because of me, as a testimony to them and the Gentiles.

- <sup>19</sup> When they hand you over, do not worry about how you are to speak or what you are to say; for what you are to say will be given to you at that time;
- <sup>20</sup> for it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.
- <sup>21</sup> Brother will betray brother to death, and a father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death;
- <sup>22</sup> and you will be hated by all because of my name. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.
- <sup>23</sup> When they persecute you in one town, flee to the next; for truly I tell you, you will not have gone through all the towns of Israel before the Son of Man comes.
- <sup>24</sup> 'A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master;
- <sup>25</sup> it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

### CP 433 Lord, You Give the Great Commission

1 Lord, you give the great commission:

"Heal the sick and preach the word."  
Lest the church neglect its mission  
and the gospel go unheard,  
help us witness to your purpose  
with renewed integrity;  
with the Spirit's gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.

2 Lord, you call us to your service:

"In my name baptize and teach."  
That the world may trust your promise,  
life abundant meant for each,  
give us all new fervour, draw us  
closer in community;  
with the Spirit's gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.

3 Lord, you make the common holy:

"This my body, this my blood."  
Let your priests, for earth's true glory,  
daily lift life heavenward,  
asking that the world around us  
share your children's liberty;  
with the Spirit's gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.

4 Lord, you show us love's true measure:

"Father, what they do, forgive."  
Yet we hoard as private treasure  
all that you so freely give.  
May your care and mercy lead us  
to a just society;  
with the Spirit's gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.

5 Lord, you bless with words assuring:

"I am with you to the end."  
Faith and hope and love restoring,  
may we serve as you intend,  
and, amid the cares that claim us,  
hold in mind eternity;  
with the Spirit's gifts empower us  
for the work of ministry.

Meditation: – Rev. Alison Westervelt

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1 There's a song that stirs the spirit  
 And it calls the heart to life  
 It's an anthem in the making  
 Can you feel it start to rise  
 Can you hear the generations  
 Getting louder over time  
 Every son and every daughter  
 Singing out into the night

**Chorus**

***It's not time to be silent  
 Don't you dare hide your light  
 There's a world outside your window  
 So don't let it pass you by  
 Lift your hands to the heavens  
 Lift your voice to the sky  
 Praise the Lord of all creation  
 Let His Name be lifted high***

**Post-Chorus**

Singing oh oh oh oh oh oh

2 From the famous to the faceless  
 From the palace to the streets  
 I can feel that drum beat pulsing  
 And it's calling you and me  
 I can hear the world awaken  
 Oh the sound is heavenly  
 Every tribe and every nation  
 Singing Jesus I believe

**Bridge**

See the world light up  
 One heart at a time  
 See the strongholds break  
 In a blink of an eye  
 Death and all our sin  
 Nowhere in sight  
 For the Lord  
 He is alive  
 See the lost return  
 From the dead of the night  
 Every captive freed  
 Every chain left behind  
 Have you ever seen  
 Such a beautiful sight  
 All the world Coming alive

Affirmation of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
 creator of heaven and earth.  
 I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
 He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
 and born of the Virgin Mary.  
 He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died, and was buried.  
 He descended to the dead.  
 On the third day he rose again.  
 He ascended into heaven.  
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
 He will come again  
 to judge the living and the dead.  
 I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic Church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Healing Litany:

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers: Sandra.....  
 Merle..... Mary..... Irene ..... Tony and Mary Jean..... Florence..... Lisa and Joe.....  
 Marijke..... Diane..... Janelle..... Sandy..... Evelyn..... Sarah..... Terry..... Ken.....  
 Monica..... Julie..... Lucas..... Helen..... Cody..... Judy..... Skariah..... Ruth..... Jody  
 and Michael..... David L..... Kathy..... Joy..... Melody and her family..... Pauline and  
 Richard.....Jorges and Janine..... Michael S..... Larry..... Christena..... Elsie.

Let us offer our prayers for God's healing, saying, Hear and have mercy.

**Hear and have mercy**

Blessed Jesus, your Holy name is medicine for healing and a promise of eternal life

**Hear and have mercy**

Grant us your grace to heal those who are sick. We pray to you, O God,

**Hear and have mercy**

Give courage and faith to all who are disabled through injury or illness. We pray to you, O God,

**Hear and have mercy**

Comfort, relieve, and heal all sick children. We pray to you, O God,

**Hear and have mercy**

Give courage to all who await surgery. We pray to you, O God,

**Hear and have mercy**

Support and encourage those who live with chronic illness. We pray to you, O God,

**Hear and have mercy**

Strengthen those who endure continual pain and give them hope. We pray to you, O God,

**Hear and have mercy**

Grant the refreshment of peaceful sleep to all who suffer. We pray to you, O God,

**Hear and have mercy**

Uphold those who keep watch over the sick. We pray to you, O God,

**Hear and have mercy.**

Guide those who search for the causes and cures of sickness and disease. We pray to you, O God,

**Hear and have mercy**

Jesus, Lamb of God,

**Hear and have mercy.**

Jesus, bearer of our sins,

**Hear and have mercy**

Jesus, redeemer of the world,

**Hear and have mercy**

Compassionate God, you so loved the world that you sent us Jesus to bear our infirmities and afflictions. Through acts of healing, he revealed you as the true source of health and salvation. For the sake of your Christ who suffered and died for us, conquered death, and now reigns with you in glory, hear the cry of your people. Have mercy on us, make us whole, and bring us at last into the fulness of your eternal life. Amen

Collect

Almighty God,  
you have taught us through your Son  
that love fulfils the law.  
May we love you with all our heart,  
all our soul, all our mind, and all our strength,  
and may we love our neighbour as ourselves;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**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.**

CP 440 For All Your Blessings

1 For all your blessings,  
 Jesus, we praise you,  
 gracious in mercy,  
 strong to console.  
 You to our need bring  
 comfort and healing,  
 love and forgiveness,  
 making us whole.

2 Daily around us,  
 pain and confusion  
 crumble our feeble  
 faith into dust.  
 Yet still we find your  
 love in the darkness,  
 changing our anxious  
 thoughts into trust.

3 We carry with us  
 into your presence  
 prisoners of sickness,  
 sadness and fear;  
 grant them to know your  
 peace in their sufferings  
 and new life flowing,  
 for you are near.

4 Grant us, your servants,  
 grace to work with you,  
 that in your loving  
 task we may share  
 mind's understanding,  
 hands skilled for healing,  
 hearts of compassion,  
 join in love's care.

The Dismissal:

Let us bless the Lord, giving thanks for his living word.

**Thanks be to God.**

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**