A Service of Morning Prayer November 9, 2025



Luke 20:32 ...last of all the woman died also.

Jesus Christ is the first-born of the dead; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. See *Revelation 1.5, 6*

CP 450 You Call Us Lord, To Be

1 You call us, Lord, to be a people set apart, to feel with thoughtful mind and think with tender heart. Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

2 You call us, Lord, to care for self and neighbour too, to take the risk, and dare to show what love can do. Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

3 You call us, Lord, to be good stewards of the earth; to tend to it as a place of blessedness and worth. Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

4 You call us, Lord, to serve: to die that we may live, to know we best receive when joyfully we give. Thus chosen, now, O Lord, we ask for faith in your unfailing grace to make us equal to the task.

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.

Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21 Refrain: The Lord will not forget the cry of the afflicted.

- 145:1 I will extol you, my God and King, and bless your name forever and ever.
- 145:2 Every day I will bless you and praise your name forever and ever.
- 145:3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; his greatness is unsearchable.
- 145:4 One generation shall extol your works to another and shall declare your mighty acts.
- 145:5 They will recount the glorious splendor of your majesty, and on your wondrous works, I will meditate.
- 145:17 The LORD is just in all his ways and kind in all his doings.
- 145:18 The LORD is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth.
- 145:19 He fulfills the desire of all who fear him; he also hears their cry and saves them.
- 145:20 The LORD watches over all who love him, but all the wicked he will destroy.
- 145:21 My mouth will speak the praise of the LORD, and all flesh will bless his holy name forever and ever.

A Reading from Haggai 2:1-2:9

- 2:1 In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the LORD came by the prophet Haggai, saying:
- 2:2 "Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say:
- 2:3 Who is left among you who saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing?
- 2:4 Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the LORD; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the LORD; work, for I am with you, says the LORD of hosts,
- 2:5 according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear.
- 2:6 For thus says the LORD of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land,
- 2:7 and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations will come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the LORD of hosts.
- 2:8 The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the LORD of hosts.
- 2:9 The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the LORD of hosts, and in this place I will give prosperity, says the LORD of hosts."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 620 How Sweet the Name of Jesus Sounds

- 1 How sweet the name of Jesus sounds in a believer's ear! It soothes our sorrows, heals our wounds, and drives away our fear.
- 2 It makes the wounded spirit whole, and calms the troubled breast; 'tis manna to the hungry soul, and to the weary rest.
- 3 Dear name! The rock on which I build, my shield and hiding place, my never-failing treasury, filled with boundless stores of grace.

- 4 Jesus, my shepherd, brother, friend, my prophet, priest, and king, my Lord, my life, my way, my end, accept the praise I bring.
- 5 Weak is the effort of my heart, and cold my warmest thought; but when I see thee as thou art, I'll praise thee as I ought.

A Reading from 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

- 2:1 As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters,
- 2:2 not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here.
- 2:3 Let no one deceive you in any way, for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction.
- 2:4 He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God.
- 2:5 Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?
- 2:13 But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth.
- 2:14 For this purpose he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- 2:15 So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.
- 2:16 Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope,
- 2:17 comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CP 434 The Love of Jesus Calls Us

1 The love of Jesus calls us our joyous praise to sing; Our deeply felt thanksgivings we now together bring, For all God's many blessings, unasked yet still received; And for the generations who faithfully believed

2 The love of Jesus calls us, that we may always be; Companions on a journey, where all the world may see That serving Christ is freedom which time does not destroy; Where Christ's command is duty, and every duty joy.

3 The love of Jesus calls us to go where he would go, To challenge all that limits, to change, to learn, to grow, To know that Christ has freed us, that prisons are no more; For those who seek his kingdom, Christ opens every door.

4 The love of Jesus calls us in swiftly changing days; To be God's co-creators in new and wondrous ways; That God with one another may so transform the earth, That love and peace and justice may give God's kingdom birth.

The Gospel

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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

Luke 20:27-38

20:27 Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to him

20:28 and asked him a question: "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother.

20:29 Now there were seven brothers; the first married a woman and died childless;

20:30 then the second

20:31 and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven died childless.

20:32 Finally the woman also died.

20:33 In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

20:34 Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage,

20:35 but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage.

20:36 Indeed, they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection.

20:37 And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. 20:38 Now he is God not of the dead but of the living, for to him all of them are alive."

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon by the Rev. Alison Westervelt

CCLI 7106807 Living Hope

1 How great the chasm that lay between us How high the mountain I could not climb In desperation I turned to heaven And spoke Your name into the night Then through the darkness Your lovingkindness

Tore through the shadows of my soul The work is finished the end is written Jesus Christ my living hope

2 Who could imagine so great a mercy
What heart could fathom such boundless grace
The God of ages stepped down from glory
To wear my sin and bear my shame
The cross has spoken I am forgiven
The King of kings calls me His own
Beautiful Savior I'm Yours forever
Jesus Christ my living hope

Chorus

Hallelujah praise the One who set me free Hallelujah death has lost its grip on me You have broken every chain There's salvation in Your name Jesus Christ my living hope

3 Then came the morning that sealed the promise
Your buried body began to breathe
Out of the silence the Roaring Lion
Declared the grave has no claim on me
(REPEAT)
Jesus Yours is the victory whoa

Ending

Jesus Christ my living hope Oh God You are my living hope

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.

Prayers of the People compiled and led by Betty Johnson

FOR OUR INTERCESSIONS TODAY WE WILL USE LITANY NO. ONE WHICH MAY BE FOUND ON PAGE 110 OF THE BAS

(In peace let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy.")

For peace from on high and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God,

In the Anglican World Cycle, we pray for The Church in the Province of the West Indies.

In the Canadian Cycle we pray for The Bishop Ordinary to the Canadian Armed Forces, the Rt. Rev. Nigel Shaw.

In the Diocese of Edmonton, we pray for our Bishop Stephen London and St. Columba, Beaumont: Stephanie London, Rector; Maralyn Benay, Jane Piercy Ballard, Deacons.

In the Diocese of Buye we pray for the Gakana Parish, Peniel Bihoyubusa, Rector.

In our parish of St. Peter's, we pray for our clergy Rev Arthur and Rav Alison, Nadine our musician, Emily and Jorges our lay readers, Sandra, Julia and all who share their time and talents for our parish. We pray for all the fellowship we have experienced over the years.

We pray for the people of the Montana First Nation

We pray for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

We pray for Charles our King, for the leaders of all the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For this city of Edmonton, for every city and community, and for those who live in them in faith, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For good weather, and for abundant harvests for all to share, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For those who travel by land, water, or air, for the sick and the suffering and any who are in need especially those for whom our prayers are requested, 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......Jorges and Janine..... Michael S..... Larry..... Christena..... Elsie..... Lynn..... those we hold close in our hearts and those known to you alone. We pray for prisoners and captives, and for their safety, health, and salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For our deliverance from all afflictions, strife, and need, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For the absolution and remission of our sins and offences, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

For all who have died and those who mourn, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy

Remembering all the saints, we commit ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ our God.

To you, O Lord.

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplications to you, and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together you will hear their requests. Fulfill now our desires and petitions, as may be best for us, granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come eternal life; for you, Father, are good and loving, and we glorify you through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, in the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen**

Collect Eternal God,

who caused all holy scriptures to be written for our learning, grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Saviour Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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 399 Now Thank We All Our God

1 Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices; who from our mother's arms hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

2 O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us, with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us, and nourish us with grace, and guide us when perplexed, and free us from all ills in this world and the next. 3 All praise and thanks to God eternal now be given, to Spirit and to Word, who reign in highest heaven: our ever faithful God, whom earth and heaven adore; for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore.

The Dismissal

Jesus Christ is the first-born of the dead; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

See *Revelation 1.5*, 6

Let us bless the Lord

Thanks be to God.

May the God of peace enable us to do His will in every kind of goodness working in us what pleases Him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. Amen.

My dear friends, be swift to love, make haste to be kind, and go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.