

**A Service of Morning Prayer
Wednesday, November 26, 2025**

Luke 1:1-4

Luke's Description of How He Wrote
His Book

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 349 All People That On Earth Do Dwell

1 All people that on earth do dwell,
sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell;
come ye before him, and rejoice.

2 Know that the Lord is God indeed;
without our aid he did us make;
we are his folk, he doth us feed,
and for his sheep he doth us take.

3 O enter then his gates with praise,
approach with joy his courts unto;
praise, laud, and bless his name always,
for it is seemly so to do.

4 For why, the Lord our God is good;
his mercy is forever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood,
and shall from age to age endure.

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 117 *Refrain: Your loving kindness is revealed in Jesus Christ.*

¹ Praise the Lord, all you nations! Extol him, all you peoples!

² For great is his steadfast love towards us, and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.
 Praise the Lord!

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.

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¹ Since many have undertaken to set down an orderly account of the events that have been fulfilled among us,

² just as they were handed on to us by those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and servants of the word,

³ I too decided, after investigating everything carefully from the very first, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus,

⁴ so that you may know the truth concerning the things about which you have been instructed.

CP 361 Surely It Is God Who Saves Me

1 Surely it is God who saves me;
 I shall trust and have no fear.
 For the Lord defends and shields me
 And his saving help is near.
 So rejoice as you draw water
 From salvation's healing spring;
 In the day of your deliverance
 Thank the Lord, his mercies sing.

2 Make God's deeds known to the peoples:
 Tell out his exalted name.
 Praise the Lord, who has done great things;
 all his works God's might proclaim.
 Zion, lift your voice in singing'
 For with you has come to dwell,
 In your very midst, the great and
 Holy One of Israel.

Meditation: – Rev. Alison WesterveltCCLI 27817 My Jesus, I Love Thee

1 My Jesus I love Thee I know Thou art mine
 For Thee all the follies of sin I resign
 My gracious Redeemer my Savior art Thou
 If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

2 I love Thee because Thou hast first loved me
 And purchased my pardon on Calvary's tree
 I love Thee for wearing the thorns on Thy brow
 If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

3 I'll love Thee in life I will love Thee in death
 And praise Thee as long as Thou lendest me
 breath

And say when the death dew lies cold on my
 brow

If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

4 In mansions of glory and endless delight
 I'll ever adore Thee in heaven so bright
 I'll sing with the glittering crown on my brow
 If ever I loved Thee my Jesus 'tis now

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, Julia, Lucas, Helen, Cody,
 Judy, Ruth, Jody and Michael, David L., Kathy, Joy, Melody and family, Pauline,
 Jorge and Janine, Michael S., Larry, Christina, Elsie, and Lynn.

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

Befriend all who are anxious, lonely, despondent, or afraid. We pray to you, O God,

Hear and have mercy.

Restore those with mental illness to clarity of mind and hopefulness of heart. We pray to you, O God,

Hear and have mercy.

Give rest to the weary and hold the dying in your loving arms. We pray to you, O God,

Hear and have mercy.

Help us to prepare for death with confident expectation of Easter joy. We pray to you, O God,

Hear and have mercy.

Give your wisdom and compassion to health care workers, that they may minister to the sick and dying with knowledge, skill, and kindness. 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 and everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King,
grant that the peoples of the earth,
now divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his gentle and loving rule;
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 344 From All That Dwell Below the Skies

1 From all that dwell below the skies
let the Creator's praise arise:
alleluia, alleluia!
Let the Redeemer's name be sung
through every land, in every tongue:
alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

2 Eternal are thy mercies, Lord;
eternal truth attends thy Word:
alleluia, alleluia!
Thy praise shall sound from shore to shore
till suns rise and set no more:
alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia, alleluia,
alleluia!

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.