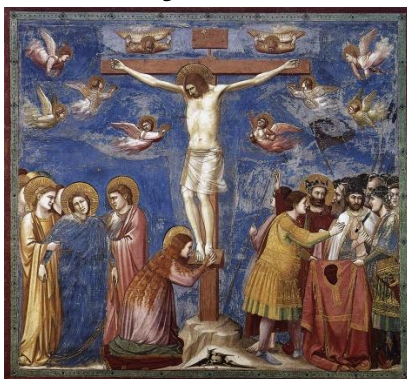


## A Service of Morning Prayer Palm Sunday, March 29, 2026



**Crucifixion Fresco, c. 1320**  
by Giotto di Bondone, Scrovegni Chapel, Padua, Italy.

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. *Hosanna in the highest.***

### CP 181 All Glory, Laud, and Honour

***Refrain:***

***All glory, laud, and honor  
to thee, Redeemer, King!  
to whom the lips of children  
made sweet hosannas ring.***

1 Thou art the King of Israel,  
thou David's royal Son,  
who in the Lord's Name comest,  
the King and blessed one. [Refrain]

2 The company of angels  
are praising thee on high;  
and we with all creation  
in chorus make reply. [Refrain]

3 The people of the Hebrews  
with palms before thee went;  
our praise and prayer and anthems  
before thee we present. [Refrain]

4 To thee before thy Passion  
they sang their hymns of praise;  
to thee, now high exalted,  
our melody we raise. [Refrain]

5 Thou didst accept their praises;  
accept the prayers we bring,  
who in all good delightest,  
thou good and gracious King. [Refrain]

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 31:9-16    Refrain: *Into your hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit.***

31:9 Be gracious to me, O LORD, for I am in distress; my eye wastes away from grief, my soul and body also.

31:10 For my life is spent with sorrow and my years with sighing; my strength fails because of my misery, and my bones waste away.

31:11 I am the scorn of all my adversaries, a horror to my neighbors, an object of dread to my acquaintances; those who see me in the street flee from me.

31:12 I have passed out of mind like one who is dead; I have become like a broken vessel.

31:13 For I hear the whispering of many-- terror all around!-- as they scheme together against me, as they plot to take my life.

31:14 But I trust in you, O LORD; I say, "You are my God."

31:15 My times are in your hand; deliver me from the hand of my enemies and persecutors.

31:16 Let your face shine upon your servant; save me in your steadfast love.

**A Reading from Isaiah 50:4-9a**

50:4 The Lord GOD has given me a trained tongue, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens, wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught.

50:5 The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I did not turn backward.

50:6 I gave my back to those who struck me and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting.

50:7 The Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame;

50:8 he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand in court together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me.

50:9a It is the Lord GOD who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**CP 182 Ride On, Ride On, in Majesty**

1 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Hark! all the tribes "Hosanna" cry;  
O Saviour meek, pursue thy road  
with palms and scattered garments strowed.

2 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
O Christ, thy triumphs now begin  
o'er captive death and conquered sin.

3 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
The angel-squadrons of the sky

look down with sad and wondering eyes  
to see the approaching sacrifice.

4 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
Thy last and fiercest strife is nigh;  
the Father on his sapphire throne  
awaits his own anointed Son.

5 Ride on, ride on in majesty!  
In lowly pomp ride on to die;  
bow thy meek head to mortal pain,  
then take, O God, thy power, and reign.

A Reading from Philippians 2:5-11

2:5 Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus,  
 2:6 who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,  
 2:7 but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form,  
 2:8 he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death-- even death on a cross.  
 2:9 Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,  
 2:10 so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
 2:11 and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

CP 178 Restore In Us, O God

1 Restore in us, O God,  
 the splendor of your love;  
 renew your image in our hearts,  
 and all our sins remove.

2 O Spirit, wake in us  
 the wonder of your power;  
 from fruitless fear unfurl our lives  
 like springtime bud and flower.

3 Bring us, O Christ, to share  
 the fullness of your joy;  
 baptize us in the risen life  
 that death cannot destroy.

4 Three-personed God, fulfill  
 the promise of your grace,  
 that we, when all our searching ends,  
 may see you face to face.

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 26:14-27:66

26:14 Then one of the twelve, who was called Judas Iscariot, went to the chief priests  
 26:15 and said, "What will you give me if I betray him to you?" They paid him thirty pieces of silver.  
 26:16 And from that moment he began to look for an opportunity to betray him.  
 26:17 On the first day of Unleavened Bread the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Where do you want us to make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?"  
 26:18 He said, "Go into the city to a certain man and say to him, 'The Teacher says, My time is near; I will keep the Passover at your house with my disciples.'"  
 26:19 So the disciples did as Jesus had directed them, and they prepared the Passover meal.  
 26:20 When it was evening, he took his place with the twelve disciples,  
 26:21 and while they were eating he said, "Truly I tell you, one of you will betray me."

26:22 And they became greatly distressed and began to say to him one after another, "Surely not I, Lord?"

26:23 He answered, "The one who has dipped his hand into the bowl with me will betray me.

26:24 The Son of Man goes as it is written of him, but woe to that one by whom the Son of Man is betrayed! It would have been better for that one not to have been born."

26:25 Judas, who betrayed him, said, "Surely not I, Rabbi?" He replied, "You have said so."

26:26 While they were eating, Jesus took a loaf of bread, and after blessing it he broke it, gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is my body."

26:27 Then he took a cup, and after giving thanks he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you,

26:28 for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.

26:29 I tell you, I will never again drink of this fruit of the vine until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom."

26:30 When they had sung the hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives.

26:31 Then Jesus said to them, "You will all fall away because of me this night, for it is written, 'I will strike the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be scattered.'

26:32 "But after I am raised up, I will go ahead of you to Galilee."

26:33 Peter said to him, "Even if all fall away because of you, I will never fall away."

26:34 Jesus said to him, "Truly I tell you, this very night, before the cock crows, you will deny me three times."

26:35 Peter said to him, "Even though I must die with you, I will not deny you." And so said all the disciples.

26:36 Then Jesus went with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples, "Sit here while I go over there and pray."

26:37 He took with him Peter and the two sons of Zebedee and began to be grieved and agitated.

26:38 Then he said to them, "My soul is deeply grieved, even to death; remain here, and stay awake with me."

26:39 And going a little farther, he threw himself on the ground and prayed, "My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me, yet not what I want but what you want."

26:40 Then he came to the disciples and found them sleeping, and he said to Peter, "So, could you not stay awake with me one hour?"

26:41 Stay awake and pray that you may not come into the time of trial; the spirit indeed is willing, but the flesh is weak."

26:42 Again he went away for the second time and prayed, "My Father, if this cannot pass unless I drink it, your will be done."

26:43 Again he came and found them sleeping, for their eyes were heavy.

26:44 So leaving them again, he went away and prayed for the third time, saying the same words.

26:45 Then he came to the disciples and said to them, "Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Now the hour is at hand, and the Son of Man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

26:46 Get up, let us be going. Look, my betrayer is at hand."

26:47 While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the twelve, arrived; with him was a large crowd with swords and clubs, from the chief priests and the elders of the people.

26:48 Now the betrayer had given them a sign, saying, "The one I will kiss is the man; arrest him."

26:49 At once he came up to Jesus and said, "Greetings, Rabbi!" and kissed him.

26:50 Jesus said to him, "Friend, do what you are here to do." Then they came and laid hands on Jesus and arrested him.

26:51 Suddenly one of those with Jesus put his hand on his sword, drew it, and struck the slave of the high priest, cutting off his ear.

26:52 Then Jesus said to him, "Put your sword back into its place, for all who take the sword will die by the sword.

26:53 Do you think that I cannot appeal to my Father, and he will at once send me more than twelve legions of angels?

26:54 But how then would the scriptures be fulfilled, which say it must happen in this way?"

26:55 At that hour Jesus said to the crowds, "Have you come out with swords and clubs to arrest me as though I were a rebel? Day after day I sat in the temple teaching, and you did not arrest me.

26:56 But all this has taken place, so that the scriptures of the prophets may be fulfilled." Then all the disciples deserted him and fled.

26:57 Those who had arrested Jesus took him to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders had gathered.

26:58 But Peter was following him at a distance, as far as the courtyard of the high priest, and going inside he sat with the guards in order to see how this would end.

26:59 Now the chief priests and the whole council were looking for false testimony against Jesus so that they might put him to death,

26:60 but they found none, though many false witnesses came forward. At last two came forward

26:61 and said, "This fellow said, 'I am able to destroy the temple of God and to build it in three days.'"

26:62 The high priest stood up and said, "Have you no answer? What is it that they testify against you?"

26:63 But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him, "I put you under oath before the living God, tell us if you are the Messiah, the Son of God."

26:64 Jesus said to him, "You have said so. But I tell you, From now on you will see the Son of Man seated at the right hand of Power and coming on the clouds of heaven."

26:65 Then the high priest tore his clothes and said, "He has blasphemed! Why do we still need witnesses? You have now heard his blasphemy.

26:66 What do you think?" They answered, "He deserves death."

26:67 Then they spat in his face and struck him, and some slapped him,

26:68 saying, "Prophecy to us, you Messiah! Who is it that struck you?"

26:69 Now Peter was sitting outside in the courtyard. A female servant came to him and said, "You also were with Jesus the Galilean."

26:70 But he denied it before all of them, saying, "I do not know what you are talking about."

26:71 When he went out to the porch, another female servant saw him, and she said to the bystanders, "This man was with Jesus of the Nazarene."  
26:72 Again he denied it with an oath, "I do not know the man."  
26:73 After a little while the bystanders came up and said to Peter, "Certainly you are also one of them, for your accent betrays you."  
26:74 Then he began to curse, and he swore an oath, "I do not know the man!" At that moment the cock crowed.  
26:75 Then Peter remembered what Jesus had said: "Before the cock crows, you will deny me three times." And he went out and wept bitterly.  
27:1 When morning came, all the chief priests and the elders of the people conferred together against Jesus in order to bring about his death.  
27:2 They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate the governor.  
27:3 When Judas, his betrayer, saw that Jesus was condemned, he repented and brought back the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders.  
27:4 He said, "I have sinned by betraying innocent blood." But they said, "What is that to us? See to it yourself."  
27:5 Throwing down the pieces of silver in the temple, he departed, and he went and hanged himself.  
27:6 But the chief priests, taking the pieces of silver, said, "It is not lawful to put them into the treasury, since they are blood money."  
27:7 After conferring together, they used them to buy the potter's field as a place to bury foreigners.  
27:8 For this reason that field has been called the Field of Blood to this day.  
27:9 Then was fulfilled what had been spoken through the prophet Jeremiah, "And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of the one on whom a price had been set, on whom some of the people of Israel had set a price,  
27:10 and they gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord commanded me."  
27:11 Now Jesus stood before the governor, and the governor asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so."  
27:12 But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he did not answer.  
27:13 Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?"  
27:14 But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge, so that the governor was greatly amazed.  
27:15 Now at the festival the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd, anyone whom they wanted.  
27:16 At that time they had a notorious prisoner called Jesus Barabbas.  
27:17 So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them, "Whom do you want me to release for you, Jesus Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?"  
27:18 For he realized that it was out of jealousy that they had handed him over.  
27:19 While he was sitting on the judgment seat, his wife sent word to him, "Have nothing to do with that innocent man, for today I have suffered a great deal because of a dream about him."

27:20 Now the chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas and to have Jesus killed.

27:21 The governor again said to them, "Which of the two do you want me to release for you?" And they said, "Barabbas."

27:22 Pilate said to them, "Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?" All of them said, "Let him be crucified!"

27:23 Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Let him be crucified!"

27:24 So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing but rather that a riot was beginning, he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood; see to it yourselves."

27:25 Then the people as a whole answered, "His blood be on us and on our children!"

27:26 So he released Barabbas for them, and after flogging Jesus he handed him over to be crucified.

27:27 Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus into the governor's headquarters, and they gathered the whole cohort around him.

27:28 They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him,

27:29 and after twisting some thorns into a crown they put it on his head. They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him and mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!"

27:30 They spat on him and took the reed and struck him on the head.

27:31 After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

27:32 As they went out, they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon; they compelled this man to carry his cross.

27:33 And when they came to a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull),

27:34 they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall, but when he tasted it, he would not drink it.

27:35 And when they had crucified him, they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots;

27:36 then they sat down there and kept watch over him.

27:37 Over his head they put the charge against him, which read, "This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."

27:38 Then two rebels were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left.

27:39 Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads

27:40 and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross."

27:41 In the same way the chief priests also, along with the scribes and elders, were mocking him, saying,

27:42 "He saved others; he cannot save himself. He is the King of Israel; let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him.

27:43 He trusts in God; let God deliver him now, if he wants to, for he said, 'I am God's Son.'"

27:44 The rebels who were crucified with him also taunted him in the same way.

27:45 From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon.

27:46 And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

27:47 When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "This man is calling for Elijah."

27:48 At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink.

27:49 But the others said, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."

27:50 Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last.

27:51 At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split.

27:52 The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised.

27:53 After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many.

27:54 Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

27:55 Many women were also there, looking on from a distance; they had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him.

27:56 Among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee.

27:57 When it was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea, named Joseph, who also was himself a disciple of Jesus.

27:58 He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be given to him.

27:59 So Joseph took the body and wrapped it in a clean linen cloth

27:60 and laid it in his new tomb, which he had hewn in the rock. He then rolled a great stone to the door of the tomb and went away.

27:61 Mary Magdalene and the other Mary were there, sitting opposite the tomb.

27:62 The next day, that is, after the day of Preparation, the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered before Pilate

27:63 and said, "Sir, we remember what that impostor said while he was still alive, 'After three days I will rise again.'

27:64 Therefore command the tomb to be made secure until the third day; otherwise, his disciples may go and steal him away and tell the people, 'He has been raised from the dead,' and the last deception would be worse than the first."

27:65 Pilate said to them, "You have a guard of soldiers; go, make it as secure as you can."

27:66 So they went with the guard and made the tomb secure by sealing the stone.

The Gospel of Christ

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon by the Rev. Alison Westervelt

CCLI 5779015 Sing Hosanna

1 Coming King saving Lord  
 By Your cross redeeming the world  
 We will shout hosanna on high  
 We will praise You will rise

**Chorus**

**Sing hosanna sing hosanna  
 King of kings Lord of lords  
 You are God**

2 Lamb of God sacrificed  
 You raised Your hands so we might have life  
 So we live because You died  
 We cry out hosanna on high

**Bridge**

Raise your hands  
 Raise your hands  
 Raise your hands

**Ending**

King of kings Lord of lords  
 You are God  
 King of kings Lord of lords  
 You are God

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 the Rev. Alison Westervelt  
 As we pray for the church, for better human relationships, for lives restored to  
 wholeness and for peace on earth - we seek no more than your grace allows as we  
 say, Lord in your love Hear our prayer

**Hear our prayer**

Loving God, your Son Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey as a different kind of  
 king. You call your followers to be different too. So, we pray, for the Church that

Christians may bear the fruit of your Spirit – love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control - for the Anglican Church of Melanesia

- for the Diocese of Nova Scotia & Prince Edward Island: the Rt. Rev. Sandra Fyfe, Bishop.

- for St. Michael and All Angels, Edmonton: Sarah Holmstrom, Interim Priest-in-Charge; Betty Tyszkiewicz, Deacon.

- for the Archdeacons of the Diocese of Buyé: Evariste Nsabimana, Simeon Ntirandekura, Papias Masengesho, Leonidas Nizigiyimana, Damascene Bagirubwira and Ezechiel Hatungimana.

- for all First Nations people of Treaty 6.

- for our Bishop, Stephen

- for our own St. Peter's; for all who give of time and talents in so many ways. We pray for our in-person services, our on line services, for our ministry team: Arthur, Sandra, Alison, Emily, Jorges, and Nadine, our readers and intercessors, that through their leadership our church may be guided with inspiration that can only come through your Spirit. That its message will reach beyond the flowers and Easter eggs to carry the hopes of all Christians; for a rebirth of the spirit and for a strong witness for Christ which touches the hearts of those beyond its bounds.

Take firm root in our lives, that we may lovingly serve and welcome all with no exceptions and no small print. May we live together in your love and shine as lights in darkness to reveal your glory in the world. Lord in your love

### **Hear our prayer**

Loving God, at the Last Supper, Jesus washed his disciples' feet as an example of service. We thank you for the compassionate love of all who serve their neighbours and ask that you will continue to bless their work and to equip them with the energy and determination they need to go on rising to the needs of the hour. Will you help everybody to seek the common good? Lord in your love

### **Hear our prayer**

Loving God, in the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus experienced distress and anguish over what lay ahead. We pray for all who are experiencing distress and anguish at the present time. All those with struggles coping with any illness; we name those who have particularly requested 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..... Ruth..... Jody and Michael..... David L..... Kathy.....

Joy..... Melody and her family..... Pauline.....Jorges and Janine..... Michael S.....  
 Larry..... Christena..... Elsie..... Irvin and Margaret..... Ashley..... Emily..... Zaldy and  
 his family..... Louise A.....those we hold close in our hearts and those known to you  
 alone.

All those at home or in hospital; those fearful for others. We thank you for all the efforts  
 made on their behalf and pray that we may all receive your peace and love. Lord in  
 your love

### **Hear our prayer**

Loving God, in Jesus, you love the whole world. So, we continue to pray for those  
 areas where normal, daily life is filled with violence, war, and grinding poverty. We  
 continue to remember the situation in Ukraine, the Middle East, Sudan, and Myanmar  
 and anywhere where there is confusion and disruption. We pray that as we approach  
 Easter, peace may begin to take root even in these dark places. Lord in your love

### **Hear our prayer**

Loving God, on the cross as Jesus died, and your love was glorified. Thank you that  
 he was obedient to death and that you raised him on high so we know that not even  
 death can separate us from your love. You have redeemed us by love. Jesus is the  
 light of the world; a light which eternally shines and brings hope, that no darkness can  
 quench. Today, we commend all who have lately died to your eternal joy and care. We  
 remember all our loved ones and especially Helen Gagalowich and Valorie  
 Breitreutz and those who mourn them. You turn our darkness into light. In your light  
 shall we see light. Lord in your love,

### **Hear our prayer**

And finally a prayer for ourselves: Here Lord we stand at the beginning of a new week.  
 As you journeyed on, trusting in your Father's love, so let us also go on in faith and  
 hope, into the days ahead with all its joys and sorrows.

Guided on our way with your Spirit's presence within us. Merciful Father, accept these  
 prayers for the sake of your Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

### Collect

Almighty and everliving God,  
 in tender love for all our human race  
 you sent your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
 to take our flesh  
 and suffer death upon a cruel cross.  
 May we follow the example of his great humility,  
 and share in the glory of his resurrection;  
 through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 who is alive 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 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

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. *Hosanna in the highest.***

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.**