A Service of Morning Prayer
October 25, 2026



Illustration of Matthew 22:37 ff
“"'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'
This is the greatest and first commandment.”

If you love me, you will keep my word, and my Father will love you, and we will come to you. John 14:23

CP 347 The God of Abraham Praise

1 The God of Abraham praise,
who reigns enthroned above;
Ancient of everlasting days,
and God of love;
Jehovah, great I AM!
by earth and heaven confessed:
I bow and bless the sacred Name
forever blest.

2 The great I AM has sworn;
I on this oath depend.
I shall, on eagles' wings upborne,
to heaven ascend.
I shall behold God's face;
I shall God's power adore,
and sing the wonders of God's grace
forevermore.

3 The goodly land I see
with peace and plenty blest;
a land of sacred liberty,
and endless rest.
There milk and honey flow,
and oil and wine abound,
and trees of life forever grow
with mercy crowned.

4 Triumphant hosts on high give thanks eternally
and "Holy, holy, holy” cry,
"great Trinity!"
Hail Abraham’s God and ours!
One mighty hymn we raise:
all power and majesty be yours
and endless praise!

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 90:1-6, 13-17 ***Refrain: Happy are they who fear the Lord.***

90:1 Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.
90:2 Before the mountains were brought forth or ever you had formed the earth and the world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.
90:3 You turn us back to dust and say, "Turn back, you mortals."
90:4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday when it is past or like a watch in the night.
90:5 You sweep them away; they are like a dream, like grass that is renewed in the morning;
90:6 in the morning it flourishes and is renewed; in the evening it fades and withers.
90:13 Turn, O LORD! How long? Have compassion on your servants!
90:14 Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love, so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.
90:15 Make us glad as many days as you have afflicted us and as many years as we have seen evil.
90:16 Let your work be manifest to your servants and your glorious power to their children.
90:17 Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us and prosper for us the work of our hands -- O prosper the work of our hands!

A Reading from Deuteronomy 34:1-12

34:1 Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the LORD showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan,
34:2 all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea,
34:3 the Negeb, and the Plain -- that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees -- as far as Zoar.
34:4 The LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, 'I will give it to your descendants.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there."
34:5 Then Moses, the servant of the LORD, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord's command.
34:6 He buried him in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day.
34:7 Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired, and his vigor had not abated.
34:8 The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.
34:9 Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom because Moses had laid his hands on him, and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the LORD had commanded Moses.
34:10 Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face.
34:11 He was unequaled for all the signs and wonders that the LORD sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land,
34:12 and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

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

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.

A Reading from 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8

2:1 You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain,
2:2 but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition.
2:3 For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery,
2:4 but, just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals but to please God, who tests our hearts.
2:5 As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed,
2:6 nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others,
2:7 though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children.
2:8 So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

CP 528 O God Our Help in Ages Past

1 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home.

2 under the shadow of thy throne
thy saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is thine arm alone,
and our defence is sure.

3 Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received its frame,
from everlasting thou art God,
to endless years the same.

4 A thousand ages in thy sight
are like an evening gone,
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.

5 Time like an ever-rolling stream
bears all our years away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the opening day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
be thou our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.

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 22:34-46

22:34 When the Pharisees heard that he had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together,
22:35 and one of them, an expert in the law, asked him a question to test him.
22:36 "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?"
22:37 He said to him, "'You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.'
22:38 This is the greatest and first commandment.
22:39 And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'
22:40 On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets."
22:41 Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question:
22:42 "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David."
22:43 He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,
22:44 'The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, until I put your enemies under your feet"'?
22:45 "If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?"
22:46 No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

The Gospel of Christ

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Sermon by the Rev. Alison Westervelt

CCLI 917491 The Power of Your Love

1 Lord I come to You
Let my heart be changed renewed
Flowing from the grace
That I found in You
And Lord I've come to know
The weaknesses I see in me
Will be stripped away
By the pow'r of Your love

Chorus

Hold me close
Let Your love surround me
Bring me near
Draw me to Your side
And as I wait
I'll rise up like the eagle
And I will soar with You
Your Spirit leads me on
In the pow'r of Your love

2 Lord unveil my eyes
Let me see You face to face
The knowledge of Your love
As You live in me
Lord renew my mind
As Your will unfolds in my life
In living ev'ry day
By the pow'r of Your love

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 by the Rev. Sandra Arbeau

Let us pray for Peace throughout the world and let us thank the Lord for the leading the people in the right decision of keeping our province part of Canada Strong and Free. Saying: Lord hear our Prayer.

Let us pray for the Worldwide Anglican Community

We pray for the Diocese of Moosonee: the Rt. Rev. Rod BrantFrancis, Bishop.

In our Diocese we pray for Examining chaplains, theological students, and postulants for ordination.

In the Diocese of Buye, we pray for the Mwumba Parish: Amos Mutezimana, Rector; and Frederic Miburo, Vice-Rector.

We pray for all First Nations people of Treaty 6 and Treaty 8 Saying, Lord, Hear our Prayer.

Let us pray for the Diocese of Edmonton, for Bishop Stephen and those working along side spreading Your Holy word, let us pray for our home parish of St. Peter's Anglican Church add we continue to shine as a beacon of live, acceptance to all who enter our doors. We pray for our Ministry team: Revs. Arthur, Alison and Sandra, our Wardens: Emily and Mike S. Our Music leader Nadine and for every one who helps to keep our Parish going. We pray for all

the work they do so willingly and faithfully. Saying: Lord, Hear and Have mercy. Saying Lord, Hear our Prayer.

Let us pray for this country, and especially for King Charles III, the Governor General, the Prime Minister and all in authority, Lord help them to serve your people according to Your Holy Will/ Saying: Lord, hear our Prayer

Let us pray for the sick and lonely Lord deliver them and keep them in Your love

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers: 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..... David .....
Kathy..... Joy..... Pauline.....Jorges and family ..... Michael S,..... Larry.....
Christena..... Elsie..... Louise B.....Irvin and Margaret..... Ashley..... Emily.....
Zaldy and family..... Louise A..... Sandra A..... Justine..... Fran.....
June..... Nicole W..... Wade....., Rev. Alison
Saying: Lord, Hear our Prayer

Let us remember in Prayer the family of Michael Watson who recently passed and went home to His Beloved Heavenly Father for his wife Jody and all their Family and Friends. We also pray for Julie Morrow who passed recently. Also let us pray for the families of the four young Military men that lost their lives on Wainwright Military Base and all those still hospital due to injuries. Saying: Lord, Hear our Prayer.

Lord, we remember the prophets, prophets, and martyrs and all who have borne witness to the gospel, Lord direct our lives in the same spirit of service and sacrifice. Amen

Collect

Lord God our redeemer,
who heard the cry of your people
and sent your servant Moses
to lead them out of slavery,
free us from the tyranny of sin and death,
and by the leading of your Spirit
bring us to our promised land;
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.

LI 26997 They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

1 We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
We are one in the Spirit
We are one in the Lord
And we pray that all unity
May one day be restored

Chorus
And they'll know we are Christians
By our love by our love
Yes they'll know we are Christians
By our love

2 We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
We will walk with each other
We will walk hand in hand
And together we'll spread the news
That God is in our land

3 We will work with each other
We will work side by side
We will work with each other
We will work side by side
And we'll guard each man's dignity
And save each man's pride

4 All praise to the Father
From whom all things come
And all praise to Christ Jesus
His only Son
And all praise to the Spirit
Who makes us one

The Dismissal

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.