

# Morning Prayer

*The following or some other verse of Scripture is said* Open my lips, O Lord, and my mouth shall proclaim your praise. *Psalm 51:16*  
*Psalm 51:11-13* Create in me a clean heart, O God, \* and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence \* and take not your holy Spirit from me. Give me the joy of your saving help again \* and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

*Alternately, Psalm 5:1-3 may be used.*

**A Reading from Holy Scripture** Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. *1 Peter 1:3* *or this*

Give thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in light. He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. *Colossians 1:12-14*

*or this* If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. *Colossians 3:1-4* *A period of silence may follow. A hymn or canticle may be used; the Apostles' Creed may be said. Prayers may be offered for ourselves and others. The Lord's Prayer* *The*

*Collect* O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to the beginning of this day: Defend us by your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin nor run into any danger; and that guided by your Spirit, we may do what is righteous in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* **At Midday** *The following or some other verse of Scripture is said* Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places. *Ephesians 1:3 Psalm 113:1-4* Hallelujah! Give praise, you servants of the LORD; \*

praise the Name of the LORD.

Let the Name of the LORD be blessed, \* from this time forth for evermore. From the rising of the sun to its going down \* let the Name of the LORD be praised. The LORD is high above all nations, \* and his glory above the heavens. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. *Amen.* *A Reading from Holy Scripture* Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. *John 15:4-5 or this* Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. *Philippians 4:6-7* *A period of silence may follow. Prayers may be offered for ourselves and others.* *The Lord's Prayer* *The Collect* Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms: Grant that all the peoples of the earth may look to you and be saved; for your tender mercies' sake. *Amen.*