

## EPIPHANY THURSDAY MORNING PRAYER

“Arise, shine; for your light has come,  
and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.”

“I will give you as a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.”

### CONFESSION

We have come together as God's family  
to pray for the recovery of the unity of Christ's Church  
and for the renewal of our common life.  
The Lord is full of gentleness and compassion.  
In penitence and faith let us ask forgiveness for our sins.

*Silence.*

**Almighty God, have mercy upon us,  
pardon and deliver us from all our sins,  
Confirm and strengthen us in all goodness,  
and keep us in eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

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 be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the**  
**Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now,**  
**and will be forever. AMEN**

The Lord is our refuge and strength: **O come, let us worship.**

Splendour and honour and kingly power  
Are yours by right, O Lord our God,  
For you created everything that is,  
and by your will they were created and have their being;  
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain,  
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,  
from every family, language, people, and nation,  
a kingdom of priests to serve our God on earth.  
And so, to him who sits upon the throne,

and to Christ the Lamb,  
be worship and praise, dominion and splendour,  
forever and for evermore.

The Lord is our refuge and strength: **O come let us worship.**

All honour and praise be yours always and everywhere,  
mighty Creator, ever living God  
through Jesus Christ your only Son our Lord:  
for at this time we celebrate your glory  
made present in our midst.  
In the coming of the Magi  
The King of all the world was revealed to the nations.  
In the waters of baptism  
Jesus was revealed as the Christ,  
The Saviour sent to receive us.  
In the water made wine  
The new creation was revealed at the wedding feast.  
Poverty was turned to riches, sorrow into joy.  
Therefore with all the angels of heaven  
we lift our voices to proclaim the glory of your name  
and sing our joyful hymn of praise.

PSALM

*Silence*

**And now we give you thanks  
because, in the incarnation of the Word  
a new light has dawned upon the world,  
that all the nations may be brought out of darkness  
to see the radiance of your glory.**

Gospel Acclamation

**May the light of the glorious gospel of Christ  
shine in our hearts and fill our lives with joy and peace.**

GOSPEL

*Silence*

*Sharing our reflections*

Christ is our peace.  
If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation.  
The old has passed away:  
behold, everything has been made new.

Hear, O Israel,  
**the Lord our God, the Lord is one.**  
**Love the Lord your God**  
**with all your heart,**  
**with all your soul,**  
**with all your mind,**  
**And with all your strength.**  
**This the first and the great commandment.**  
**The second is like it:**  
**Love your neighbour as yourself.**  
**There is no commandment greater than these.**

#### INTERCESSIONS AND THANKSGIVINGS

*(Let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy.")*

Let us ask the Lord for a day of fulfillment and peace.

**Lord have mercy.**

Let us ask the Lord to teach us to love others as he has loved us.

**Lord have mercy.**

Let us ask the Lord for peace and justice in the world.

**Lord have mercy.**

Let us ask the Lord to renew the Church through the power of his life-giving Spirit.

**Lord have mercy.**

*I invite any prayers of intercession or lament at this time*

#### THANKSGIVING LITANY

*(Let us give thanks to God, always and for everything, saying, "We thank you Lord.")*

For the beauty and wonder of creation,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For all that is gracious in the lives of women, children and men,  
revealing the image of Christ,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For our daily food, for our homes and families and friends,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For minds to think and hearts to love,

**We thank you Lord.**

For health, strength, and skill to work, and for leisure to rest and play,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For those who are brave and courageous,  
patient in suffering and faithful in adversity,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For all who pursue peace, justice, and truth,

**We thank you, Lord.**

For all the saints whose lives have reflected the light of Christ,

**We thank you, Lord.**

*I invite any prayers of thanksgiving.*

#### COLLECT

Almighty God, who on the day of Pentecost

Sent your Holy Spirit to the disciples

with the wind from heaven and in tongues of flame,

filling them with joy and boldness to preach the Gospel:

Send us out in the power of the same Spirit

to witness to your truth and to draw all to the fire of your love;

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

Who is alive and reigns with you

in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

one God, now and forever. **AMEN**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*I invite you to say a translation or paraphrase of your choosing.*

We have beheld his glory,

**glory as of the only Son of the Father**

**Full of grace and truth.**

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,

**for he has come to his people and set them free.**

Let us bless the Lord,

**Thanks be to God.**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,

and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

**Amen.**