

Morning Prayer - Epiphany Season - 2023

From the rising of the sun to its setting my name is great among the nations, and in every place incense is offered to my name, and a pure offering; for my name is great among the nations, says the Lord of hosts.
Malachi 1:11

It is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness,' who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. *2 Corinthians 4:6*

O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Your light springs up for the righteous
and all the peoples have seen your glory.

Blessed are you, Sovereign God,
king of the nations,
to you be praise and glory for ever.
From the rising of the sun to its setting
your name is proclaimed in all the world.
As the Sun of Righteousness dawns in our hearts
anoint our lips with the seal of your Spirit
that we may witness to your gospel
and sing your praise in all the earth.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever.

Jubilate – A Song of Joy

1 Be joyful in the Lord, all the earth; ♦
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

2 Know that the Lord is God; ♦
it is he that has made us and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving
and his courts with praise; ♦
give thanks to him and bless his name.

4 For the Lord is gracious; his steadfast love is everlasting, ♦
and his faithfulness endures from generation to generation.

**Glory to you, Source of All Being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now
and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.**

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you;
now and forever. **Amen.**

Psalm

Canticle

**Above you the Holy One arises,
and above you God's glory appears.**

1 Arise, shine out, for your light has come, ♦
the glory of the Lord is rising upon you.

2 Though night still covers the earth, ♦
and darkness the peoples;

3 Above you the Holy One arises, ♦
and above you God's glory appears.

4 The nations will come to your light, ♦
and kings to your dawning brightness.

5 Your gates will lie open continually, ♦
shut neither by day nor by night.

6 The sound of violence shall be heard no longer in your land, ♦
or ruin and devastation within your borders.

7 You will call your walls, Salvation, ♦
and your gates, Praise.

8 No more will the sun give you daylight, ♦
nor moonlight shine upon you;

9 But the Lord will be your everlasting light, ♦
your God will be your splendour.

10 For you shall be called the city of God, ♦
the dwelling of the Holy One of Israel.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**Above you the Holy One arises,
and above you God's glory appears.**

(or the following Canticle)

The Steadfast Love of the Lord

1. The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases:

God's mercies never come to an end;

2. They are new every morning:

Your faithfulness O Lord is great.

3. You are all that I have:

And therefore I will wait for you.

4. You O Lord are good to those who wait for you:

To all those who seek you.

5. It is good to wait in patience:

For the salvation of the Lord.

Lamentations 3:22-26

**Glory to You, Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit,
As it was in the beginning,
Is now and ever shall be,
World without end. Amen.**

Gospel

Prayers

O God,
who by the leading of a star
manifested your only Son to the peoples of the earth:
mercifully grant that we,
who know you now by faith,
may at last behold your glory face to face;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Believing the promises of God,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done,
on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and for ever. Amen.**

May Christ, who sends us to the nations,
give us the power of his Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.