

**WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER**  
**Season after Pentecost**  
**June 22, 2022**



**OPENING SENTENCES**

One: O Lord, open my lips,

**All: and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.** *(Ps. 51:15)*

One: O depth of wealth, wisdom, and knowledge of God!

**All: How unsearchable are God's judgements, how untraceable are God's ways!**

One: The source, guide, and goal of all this is,

**All: the God of glory forever!** *(Romans 11:33, 36)*

**OPENING PRAYER**

(. . . now and forever. **Amen.**)

**PSALM 42** *(read in unison)*

**As the deer longs for the water-brooks,  
so longs my soul for you, O God.**

**I thirst for God, for the living God;  
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?**

**My tears have been my food day and night,  
while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God?"**

**I pour out my soul when I think on these things;  
how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,  
with shouts of thanksgiving, among those keeping festival.**

**Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquieted within me?**

**Put your trust in God, for I will yet give thanks to the one who is my help and my God.**

**My soul is heavy within me;  
therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan,  
and from the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.**

**One deep calls to another in the roar of your cascades;  
all your rapids and floods have gone over me.**

**The LORD grants lovingkindness in the daytime;  
in the night season the LORD's song is with me, a prayer to the God of my life.**

**I will say to the God of my strength, "Why have you rejected me,  
and why do I wander in such gloom while the enemy oppresses me?"**

**While my bones are being broken, my enemies mock me to my face;  
all day long they mock me and say to me,  
"Where now is your God?"**

**Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul, and why are you so disquieted within me?**

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**SCRIPTURE READING:**

**Romans 4:13-25**

Leader: ...The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*(A period of silence follows for personal reflection.)*

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**Matthew 20:1-16**

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**PRAYERS FOR OURSELVES AND OTHERS**

One: Satisfy us with your love in the morning,

**All: and we will live this day in joy and praise.** *(Psalm 90:14)*

*(Those gathered are invited to lift up prayers, either silently or aloud.)*

*(...other prayers are offered...)*

One: . . . through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**All: Amen.**

One: Now, grateful that we are free to unite in prayer,  
we pray in words Jesus taught his friends:

**All: *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;***

***and forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.***

***Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil;***

***for the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.***

**CLOSING RESPONSES AND PRAYER OF BLESSING**

One: So far as it depends on us,

**All: let us live peaceably with all.**

One: Bless the Lord.

**All: The Lord's name be praised.**

One: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

**All: And also with you.**

*(Signs and words of Christ's peace are shared. . .)*