

WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER

Easter

April 17, 2024



OPENING SENTENCES

Leader: This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: This is the good news we have received, in which we stand,
and by which we are saved:

People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: That Christ died for our sins, and was buried, and rose again on the third day.

People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: He appeared to Peter, and to the twelve, and to many faithful witnesses.

People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: At last he came to us, that we might come to believe
and proclaim this good news to the world.

People: Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed!

Leader: ...one God, now and forever.

People: Amen.

PSALM 99 *(read in unison)*

The LORD is king;

let the people tremble.

The LORD is enthroned upon the cherubim;

let the earth shake.

The LORD, great in Zion, is high above all peoples.

Let them confess God's name, which is great and awesome;

God is the Holy One.

***O mighty king, lover of justice, you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.***

***Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and fall down before God's footstool;
God is the Holy One.***

***Moses and Aaron among your priests, and Samuel among those who call upon your name, O LORD;
they called upon you, and you answered them, you spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept your testimonies and the decree that you gave them.***

***O LORD our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them, yet punished them for their evil deeds.***

***Proclaim the greatness of the LORD and worship upon God's holy hill;
for the LORD our God is the Holy One.***

SCRIPTURE READING:

Exodus 19:16-25

Leader: ...The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(A period of silence follows for personal reflection.)

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Colossians 1:15-23

Leader: ...The Word of the Lord.

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PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Leader: Satisfy us with your love in the morning,

People: and we will live this day in joy and praise.

(Those gathered are led in prayer...)

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Leader: ...through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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.

DISMISSAL

Leader: Let us live as those who are dead to sin and alive to God in Jesus Christ.

People: Amen.

Leader: Bless the Lord.

People: The Lord's name be praised.

Leader: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

(Signs and words of Christ's peace may be exchanged by all.)



~ The psalm text comes from the Presbyterian Book of Common Worship (Westminster John Knox, 2018), in an inclusive/expansive language version first published in Evangelical Lutheran Worship (Augsburg Fortress, 2006) and shared with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and other ecumenical partners.

~ The prayers are adapted from the Iona Community.