

# Morning Prayer for Healing and Wholeness

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Opening Hymns

## **Holy Ground**

**This is holy ground; we're standing on holy ground.  
For the Lord is present, and where He is is holy.  
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For the Lord is present, and where He is is holy.**

## **Surely the Presence**

**Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place  
I can feel His mighty power and His grace  
I can feel the brush of angel's wings  
I see glory on each face  
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place**

*The Officiant says to the people*

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Silence is kept.*

*Officiant and People together*

Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our  
own hearts,  
we have offended against thy holy laws,  
we have left undone those things which we ought to  
have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to  
have done.  
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,  
spare thou those who confess their faults,

restore thou those who are penitent,  
according to thy promises declared unto mankind  
in Christ Jesus our Lord;  
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

*The Officiant says*

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and  
remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of  
life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

## The Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant* O Lord, open thou our lips.  
*People* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

*Officiant and People*

Glory 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. Alleluia!

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us adore him.  
Alleluia.

### **Jubilate**

*See attached music and words*

#### **Christ our Passover** *Pascha nostrum*

*1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22*  
*All read together*

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; \*  
therefore let us keep the feast,  
Not with old leaven,  
neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness, \*  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; \*  
death hath no more dominion over him.  
For in that he died, he died unto sin once; \*  
but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.  
Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, \*  
but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ is risen from the dead, \*

and become the first fruits of them that slept.  
For since by man came death, \*  
by man came also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die, \*  
even so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

## **Psalm 31:9-10;14-16**

*Together*

Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble;  
My eye wastes away with grief, Yes, my soul and my <sup>[a]</sup>body!  
<sup>10</sup> For my life is spent with grief, And my years with sighing;  
My strength fails because of my iniquity, And my bones waste away.

<sup>14</sup> But as for me, I trust in You, O LORD; I say, “You *are* my God.”

<sup>15</sup> My times *are* in Your hand; Deliver me from the hand of my enemies,  
And from those who persecute me.

<sup>16</sup> Make Your face shine upon Your servant; Save me for Your mercies’ sake.

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

## **The Lessons**

### **A Reading from Exodus 23: 20-25**

**Context:** God is providing the Israelites guidance as they move through their desert traverse. First, He tells them there will be justice for all, expanding on some of the 10 Commandments. Continuing with clarification of the 10 Commandments, He provides specifics on Sabbath. Then, He defines three feasts He expects them to keep. Now, He tells them He is providing an angel...listen.

<sup>20</sup> “Behold, I send an Angel before you to keep you in the way and to bring you into the place which I have prepared. <sup>21</sup> Beware of Him and obey His voice; do not provoke Him, for He will not pardon your transgressions; for My name *is* in Him. <sup>22</sup> But if you indeed obey His voice and do all that I speak, then I will be an enemy to your enemies and an adversary to your adversaries. <sup>23</sup> For My Angel will go before you and bring you in to the Amorites and the Hittites and the Perizzites and the Canaanites and the Hivites and the Jebusites; and I will <sup>[e]</sup>cut them

off. <sup>24</sup> You shall not bow down to their gods, nor serve them, nor do according to their works; but you shall utterly overthrow them and completely break down their *sacred* pillars.

<sup>25</sup> “So you shall serve the LORD your God, and He will bless your bread and your water. And I will take sickness away from the midst of you.

The Word of the Lord.

*Answer* Thanks be to God.

### **A Song of Creation Benedicite, omnia opera Domini**

In unison

#### *I Invocation*

O all ye works of the Lord, bless ye the Lord;

Praise Him and magnify Him forever.

O ye angels of the Lord, bless ye the Lord;

Praise Him and magnify Him forever.

#### *IV The People of God*

O ye people of God, bless ye the Lord;

O ye priests of the Lord, bless ye the Lord;

O ye servants of the Lord, bless ye the Lord;

Praise Him and magnify Him forever.

O ye spirit and souls of the righteous, bless ye the Lord;

O ye holy and humble men of heart, bless ye the Lord.

Let us bless the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit; praise Him and magnify Him forever.

Glory 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.

### **A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew 9: 35-38**

**Context:** In Chapter 9 Jesus has done multiple healings, including Jairus’ daughter, the woman with bleeding for 12 years, two blind men and a mute man. In the last case the Pharisees claimed Jesus was healing by the power of the ruler of the demons.

<sup>35</sup> Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease <sup>[i]</sup>among the people. <sup>36</sup> But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were <sup>[i]</sup>weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd. <sup>37</sup> Then He said to His disciples, “The harvest

truly *is* plentiful, but the laborers *are* few.<sup>38</sup> Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest.”

The Word of the Lord.

*Answer* Thanks be to God.

### **The Apostles' Creed**

*Officiant and People together*

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.

## The Prayers

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

### **Song of Preparation**

**Hide me Lord in Your holiness; every fear I now confess.**

**Praise to You forgiving Lord.**

**Hide me in Your holiness.**

**Hide me in Your holiness.**

*Officiant and People*

Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
    as we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
    but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory,  
    for ever and ever. Amen.

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*The people respond with the bolded verse*

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;  
R. **And grant us thy salvation.**  
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;  
R. **And make thy chosen people joyful.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. **For only in thee can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;  
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let thy way be known upon earth;  
R. **Thy saving health among all nations.**  
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**  
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
R. **And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.**

**Taken from Max Lucado's comments with the Christian Post September 2022**

When Max Lucado was [diagnosed](#) with an ascending aortic aneurysm just over a year ago, he doesn't believe he "set the best example." "As far as dealing with anxiety, I really spiraled downward," the famous author and leader of Oak Hills Church in San Antonio, Texas, told The Christian Post. An ascending aortic aneurysm is defined by [Johns Hopkins](#) as an "abnormal bulging and weakening in your aorta at the point before the curve." In Lucado's situation, the aneurysm is "pretty large," he said, about "two centimeters shy of needing open heart surgery." "I'm 67, almost 68 years old. And I'm finally coming to grips with the fact that I'm not getting younger. I'm a slow learner," he said. "I kept thinking, 'I'm going to dodge all these major health issues.' So for the first two or three days, it was really a wake-up call. "That diagnosis came on a Monday. But by that Thursday, something miraculous happened: The bestselling author, whose sermons and books have brought hope and encouragement to millions worldwide, felt his anxiety lift. "I really felt, in a supernatural way one morning ... I felt it lift," he said. "I really did it just lift. And it's not that I was healed, because I'm not, but the fear or the

anxiety was lifted. And I attribute that to the Holy Spirit. I sought prayer and I received prayer, and so I can say now honestly, I do not live in fear of that."

### **Intercessory Prayer for Healing**

O God of heavenly powers, by the might of your command you drive away from the bodies of Your children all sickness and all infirmity: Be present in your holiness and the power of Your Spirit to touch and heal:

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Take away their suffering, illness and pain and may they be banished, and their strength restored; and that, their health being renewed, they may bless your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*

#### *The General Thanksgiving*

##### *Officiant and People*

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we thine unworthy servants  
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks  
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all men.  
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for thine inestimable love  
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ,  
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.  
And, we beseech thee,  
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,  
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;  
and that we show forth thy praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up ourselves to thy service,  
and by walking before thee  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,  
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!  
*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*Officiant*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians 3:20*

Closing Hymn **Open Our Eyes Lord**

**Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus  
To reach out and touch Him, and tell Him we love Him  
Open our ears Lord, and help us to listen  
Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus**

**Attach Jubilate**



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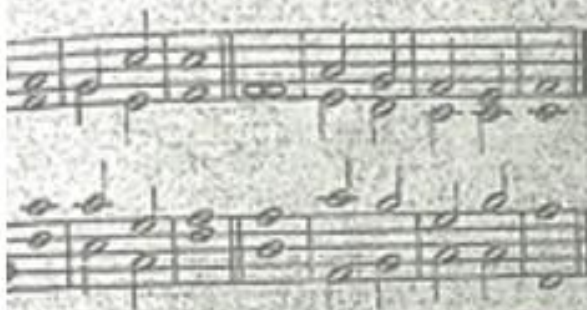
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- O BE joyful in the LORD, all ye lands:  
\* serve the LORD with gladness,  
and come before his presence with a song.
- 2 Be ye sure that the LORD he is God:  
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves;  
\* we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
- 3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,  
and into his courts with praise;  
\* be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.
- 4 For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is everlasting;  
\* and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son,  
\* and to the Holy Ghost:
- As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,  
\* world without end. Amen.

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