**Morning Prayer 04.10.2020**

“Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? *Isaiah 43:18-19*

**Opening Sentences**

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

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

*Pause for reflection as you offer the day to God.*

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 for ever. **Amen**.

When Christ shall come

With a shout of acclamation

And take me home what joy shall fill my heart

Then I shall bow in humble adoration

And there proclaim my God how great thou art

*Then sings my…*

**Song – How Great Thou Art**  
  
O Lord my God when I in awesome wonder  
Consider all the works Thy hand hath made  
I see the stars I hear the mighty thunder  
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed

*Then sings my soul*

*my Saviour God to Thee*

*How great Thou art how great Thou art!*

*Then sings my soul*

*my Saviour God to Thee*

*How great Thou art how great Thou art!*

And when I think

that God His Son not sparing

Sent Him to die I scarce can take it in

That on the Cross

my burden gladly bearing

He bled and died to take away my sin

*Then sings my…*

**Bible Readings**

***Psalm 19 7 to end***

**7**The law of the Lord is perfect,  
  reviving the soul;  
 the decrees of the Lord are sure,  
  making wise the simple;  
**8**the precepts of the Lord are right,  
  rejoicing the heart;  
 the commandment of the Lord is clear,  
 enlightening the eyes;  
**9**the fear of the Lord is pure,  
  enduring for ever;  
 the ordinances of the Lord are true  
 and righteous altogether.  
**10**More to be desired are they than gold,  
   even much fine gold;  
 sweeter also than honey,  
   and drippings of the honeycomb.

**11**Moreover by them is your servant warned;  
    in keeping them there is great reward.  
**12**But who can detect their errors?  
    Clear me from hidden faults.  
**13**Keep back your servant also from the insolent;   
   do not let them have dominion over me.  
 Then I shall be blameless,  
   and innocent of great transgression.

**14**Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart  
   be acceptable to you,  
   O Lord, my rock and my redeemer.

**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.**

**Old Testament reading – *Exodus 20 : 1-4; 7-20***

**20**Then God spoke all these words:

**2**I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery; **3**you shall have no other gods beforeme.

**7**You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

**8**Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy. **9**For six days you shall labour and do all your work. **10**But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, your son or your daughter, your male or female slave, your livestock, or the alien resident in your towns. **11**For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but rested the seventh day; therefore the Lord blessed the sabbath day and consecrated it.

**12**Honour your father and your mother, so that your days may be long in the land that the Lord your God is giving you.

**13**You shall not murder. **14**You shall not commit adultery.**15**You shall not steal.

**16**You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.

**17**You shall not covet your neighbour’s house; you shall not covet your neighbour’s wife, or male or female slave, or ox, or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbour.

**18**When all the people witnessed the thunder and lightning, the sound of the trumpet, and the mountain smoking, they were afraidand trembled and stood at a distance, **19**and said to Moses, ‘You speak to us, and we will listen; but do not let God speak to us, or we will die.’ **20**Moses said to the people, ‘Do not be afraid; for God has come only to test you and to put the fear of him upon you so that you do not sin.’

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**  
  
  
**Reflection**  
  
  
**Prayers**

*In our prayers we will pray for the world, the church, our local community, and for those who are in need.*

*At the end of each section we say:*

Lord in Your mercy

**hear our prayer.**

*And at the end:*

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers**

**for the sake of your Son,**

**our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

**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.**

**Lead us not into temptation**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours,**

**now and for ever.**

**Notices**

**Song – Blessed Be Your Name**

Blessed be Your name  
When the sun's shining down on me  
When the world's 'all as it should be'  
Blessed be Your name

Blessed be Your name  
On the road marked with suffering   
Though there's pain in the offering   
Blessed be Your name

Every blessing You pour out I'll   
Turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord  
Still I will say

*Blessed be the name of the Lord..*

You give and take away  
You give and take away  
My heart will choose to say  
Lord, blessed be Your name

*Blessed be the name of the Lord…*

Blessed Be Your Name  
In the land that is plentiful   
Where Your streams of abundance flow  
Blessed be Your name

Blessed Be Your name  
When I'm found in the desert place  
Though I walk through the wilderness  
Blessed Be Your name

Every blessing You pour out, I'll   
Turn back to praise  
When the darkness closes in, Lord  
Still I will say

*Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your name  
Blessed be the name of the Lord  
Blessed be Your glorious name*

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**Conclusion**

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and keep us in eternal life.

**Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

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