**Morning Prayer 11.05.25**

Alleluia, Christ is risen: **He is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

**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**.

**Song – 10000 Reasons**

And on that day when my strength is failing

The end draws near and my time has come

Still my soul will sing Your praise unending

Ten thousand years and then forevermore

*Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul…*

*Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul*

*Worship His holy name*

*Sing like never before O my soul*

*I'll worship Your holy name*

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning

It's time to sing Your song again

Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me

Let me be singing when the evening comes

*Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul…*

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger

Your name is great and Your heart is kind

For all Your goodness I will keep on singing

Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

*Bless the Lord O my soul O my soul*

**Bible Reading - Psalm 23**

1 The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.
2 He makes me lie down in green pastures;
 he leads me beside still waters;
3 he restores my soul.
 He leads me in right paths
  for his name’s sake.

4 Even though I walk through the darkest valley,
   I fear no evil;
 for you are with me;
   your rod and your staff—
   they comfort me.

5  You prepare a table before me
    in the presence of my enemies;
 you anoint my head with oil;
    my cup overflows.
6  Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me
    all the days of my life,
 and I shall dwell in the house of the Lord
    my whole life long.

**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.**

**New Testament Reading – John 10: 22-30**

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon.So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, ‘How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly.’ Jesus answered, ‘I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father’s name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father’s hand.The Father and I are one.’

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

**Sermon**

**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.**

**Amen**

**Notices**

**Blessing**

May Christ,

who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future,

fill you with his new life;

and the blessing of God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
be among you and remain with you always.

**Amen.**

Go in the peace of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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