

## Morning Prayer 29.06.25

"I wait for the Lord, my whole being waits, and in his word I put my hope." *Psalms 130:5*

### 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 – Holy Forever

A thousand generations falling down in worship  
To sing the song of ages to the Lamb  
And all who've gone before us  
And all who will believe  
Will sing the song of ages to the Lamb

Your name is the highest  
Your name is the greatest  
Your name stands above them all  
All thrones and dominions  
All powers and positions  
Your name stands above them all

**And the angels cry Holy  
All creation cries Holy  
You are lifted high Holy  
Holy forever**

If you've been forgiven and if you've been redeemed  
Sing the song forever to the Lamb  
If you walk in freedom and if you bear His name  
Sing the song forever to the Lamb  
We'll sing the song forever and amen

**And the angels cry Holy  
All creation cries Holy  
You are lifted high Holy  
Holy forever**

**Hear Your people sing Holy  
To the King of Kings Holy  
You will always be Holy  
Holy forever**

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## **Bible reading**

### **Psalm 125**

- 1 Those who trust in the Lord are like Mount Zion,  
which cannot be moved, but abides for ever.
- 2 As the mountains surround Jerusalem,  
so the Lord surrounds his people,  
from this time on and for evermore.
- 3 For the sceptre of wickedness shall not rest  
on the land allotted to the righteous,  
so that the righteous may not stretch out  
their hands to do wrong.
- 4 Do good, O Lord, to those who are good,  
and to those who are upright in their hearts.
- 5 But those who turn aside to their own crooked ways  
the Lord will lead away with evildoers.  
Peace be upon Israel!

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and ever shall be for ever. Amen**

### **New Testament Reading Galatians 5: 1, 13-25**

For freedom Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, 'You shall love your neighbour as yourself.' If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissensions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God.

By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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

## **Talk**

### **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**

### **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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