

## Summer Sabbath Morning Prayer 10th August 2025

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen

### Opening sentences

One thing I have asked of the Lord,  
this is what I seek:  
that I may dwell in the house of the Lord  
all the days of my life;  
to behold the beauty of the Lord  
and to seek Him in His temple.

Who is it that you seek?

**We seek the Lord our God.**

Do you seek Him with all your heart?

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Do you seek Him with all your soul?

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Do you seek Him with all your mind?

**Amen. Lord, have mercy.**

Do you seek Him with all your strength?

**Amen. Christ, have mercy.**

### Declaration of faith

To whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life,  
and we have believed and have come to know  
that You are the Holy One of God.  
Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ,  
King of endless glory.

## **Song – 10000 Reasons**

*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*

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...*

## **Readings**

### **Psalm 50: 1-7**

- 1 The mighty one, God the Lord,  
speaks and summons the earth  
from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,  
God shines forth.
- 3 Our God comes and does not keep silence,  
before him is a devouring fire,  
and a mighty tempest all around him.
- 4 He calls to the heavens above  
and to the earth, that he may judge his people:
- 5 'Gather to me my faithful ones,  
who made a covenant with me by sacrifice!'
- 6 The heavens declare his righteousness,  
for God himself is judge.
- 7 'Hear, O my people, and I will speak,  
O Israel, I will testify against you.  
I am God, your God.

**Luke 12: 32-40**

'Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

'But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour.'

**Talk****Prayers**

*At the end of each section we say:*

Lord in Your mercy

**hear our prayer.**

*Our prayers conclude with 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**

### **Canticle**

Christ, as a light  
illumine and guide me.  
Christ, as a shield  
overshadow me.  
Christ under me;  
Christ over me;  
Christ beside me  
on my left and my right.  
This day be within and without me,  
lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.  
Be in the heart of each to whom I speak;  
in the mouth of each who speaks unto me.  
This day be within and without me,  
lowly and meek, yet all-powerful.  
Christ as a light;  
Christ as a shield;  
Christ beside me  
on my left and my right.

### **Blessing**

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you,  
wherever He may send you.  
May He guide you through the wilderness,  
protect you through the storm.  
May He bring you home rejoicing  
at the wonders He has shown you.  
May He bring you home rejoicing  
once again into our doors.

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