



Morning Prayer in Ordinary Time, October 16, 2025

Gathering

DIALOG

O Lord, open my lips! **And my mouth shall declare your praise**

O God, make speed to save us. **O Lord, make haste to help us**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever, amen.

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Psalm 95

O come, let us sing unto the Lord;
let us rejoice in the rock of our salvation.

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise our joyful praise to God with psalms.**

For our God is a great God
and a ruler great above all gods.

**In God's hand are all the depths of the earth,
and the heights of the hills are God's also.**

The sea is our God's, his creation
and God's hands prepared the dry land.

**O come, let us worship and bow down,
and kneel before ADONAI our Maker.**

For God is our God,
**and we are the people of God's pasture,
and the sheep of his hand.**

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 time of silent reflection follows each Psalm and Prayer. Silence is kept.

We bless you, God of seed and harvest, in thanksgiving for the beauty of this world and the love that created it. May our faith be expressed in seeking your wisdom, caring for creation and showing hospitality and welcome to all in need, in Your holy name, **Amen.**

Word

One or more readings from scripture or devotional material are offered. Silence for reflection follows each reading.

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:12

The Lord's lovingkindnesses indeed never cease, for His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness. The Lord is my portion; therefore I have hope in Him.

Lamentations 3:22

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
Be acceptable in your sight, O Thou my God and my Redeemer. Amen.

The Canticle of Zachariah is read responsively.

Blessed are you O Lord, the God of Israel,
you have come to your people and set them free.
**You have raised up for us a mighty Savior,
born of the house of your servant David.**

Through your holy prophets,
you promised of old to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all who hate us,
**You promised to show mercy to our forebears,
and to remember your holy covenant.**

This was the oath you swore to our ancestors Sarah and Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
**free to worship you without fear,
holy and righteous in your sight, all the days of our life.**

And you, O child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
**for you will go before the Lord to prepare the way,
to give God's people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.**

In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

***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.***

Prayers of the People

In Christ is healing and life, wholeness and salvation: let us bring the needs of our lives, our neighbors and our community to God.

A brief silence for personal prayer follows each petition.

Sovereign God, we thank you for your mercies, ever new.

As we walk in the gift of this day we thank you:

for the sustaining goodness of your creation . . .

for the new life in Christ and all gifts of healing and forgiveness . . .

for the gifts of relationship with others . . .

for the communion of faith in your church . . .

for the hope of resurrection life with those who rest in you...

Merciful God, renew this weary world, heal the hurts of all your children, and bring about your peace for all in Christ Jesus. Especially now we pray—

for those in authority throughout the world to govern with honor, justice and mercy...
that those working for justice and those at risk here in the US will stand strong,
and us with them...

for the people in communities and countries ravaged by strife or warfare,
especially the Holy Land and the Ukraine. May the cease fire between Gaza and Israel
continue to become swords transformed to plowshares.

for all suffering in the wake of natural disaster and human sin...

for all who work for peace and international harmony . . .

that we may strive to care for the earth as good stewards of your creation . . .

for the needs and concerns upon our hearts, and those known only unto you...

In this time of silence we bring before God the needs of our hearts.

O God of Creation, you have blessed us with the changing of the seasons. As we welcome the autumn months, may the earlier setting of the sun remind us to take time to rest in the wonder of creation and the blessing this time brings. May the harvest from the fields remind us of the abundance we have been given and bounty we are to share with others. **Amen.**

God of the nations, we bring our country before you in this election year. Make us mindful of our great responsibility as citizens of this country and your Kingdom as we move through this time of decision. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us in safety to this new day.

Preserve us with your mighty power,

that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome in adversity.

In all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose;

through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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 glory,

Forever and ever, Amen!

Blessing & Benediction

May the Lord bless us, protect us from all evil and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

We go about our day in God's presence and peace.