



### *Morning Prayer for the Season after Pentecost*

*As we begin the day, we focus on our calling to live faithfully, for who knows what today holds?*

#### **Opening**

Holy God, you are always with us.

**Open our eyes to your presence.**

#### **Prayer**

God of faithful surprises, throughout the ages you have made known your love and power in unexpected ways and places: May we daily perceive the joy and wonder of your abiding presence and offer our lives in gratitude for our redemption. **Amen.**

#### **Morning Psalm** *Psalm 9*

**I will give thanks to you, O God, with my whole heart; \***

**I will tell of all your marvelous works.**

**I will be glad and rejoice in you; \***

**I will sing to your Name, O Most High.**

**When my enemies are driven back, \***

**they will stumble and perish at your presence.**

**For you have maintained my right and my cause; \***

**you sit upon your throne judging right.**

**You have rebuked the ungodly and destroyed the wicked; \***

**you have blotted out their name for ever and ever.**

**As for the enemy, they are finished, in perpetual ruin, \***

**their cities plowed under, the memory of them perished;**

**But you sit enthroned for ever; \***

**you have set up your throne for judgment.**

**You will rule the world with righteousness \***

**and judge the peoples with equity.**

**You will be a refuge for the oppressed, \***

**a refuge in time of trouble.**

**Those who know your Name will put their trust in you, \*  
for you never forsake those who seek you, O God.**

**Sing praise to the Holy One who dwells in Zion; \*  
proclaim to the peoples the things God has done.**

**The Avenger of blood will remember them \*  
and will not forget the cry of the afflicted.**

**Have pity on me, O God; \*  
see the misery I suffer from those who hate me,  
O you who lift me up from the gate of death,  
So that I may tell of all your praises  
and rejoice in your salvation \*  
in the gates of the city of Zion.**

**The ungodly have fallen into the pit they dug, \*  
and in the snare they set is their own foot caught.**

**You are known, O God, by your acts of justice; \*  
the wicked are trapped in the works of their own hands.**

**The wicked shall be given over to the grave \*  
and also all the peoples that forget God.**

**For the needy shall not always be forgotten, \*  
and the hope of the poor shall not perish for ever.**

**Rise up, O God; let not the ungodly have the upper hand; \*  
let them be judged before you.**

**Put fear upon them, O God; \*  
let the ungodly know they are but mortal.**

*~St. Helena Psalter*

## **Scripture**

*One or two readings of the day will be read. The reader will end:*

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's People  
**Thanks be to God.**

## **Meditation**

People say that walking on water is a miracle, but to me,  
walking peacefully on the earth is the real miracle.

*~Thich Nhat Hanh*

*How will we walk in peace today?*

## **Affirmation**

**We believe in God, the creator of all life and beauty, who blesses our journey.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, who lived as a friend and savior to all he met as he traveled, and who ate and laughed, wept and celebrated with them in love.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, who rides on the gentle breeze, who strengthens our bindings, and who offers hope eternal.**

**We believe in the church, which stands open to all travelers, and bears witness to the everlasting love of God.**

## **Prayers**

As we turn to the tasks before us this day,

**Fill us, gracious Lord.**

In making faithful choices, great and small,

**Guide us, gracious Lord.**

As we seek to notice and serve those in need,

**Teach us, gracious Lord.**

*Here, the people may add particular intercessions or thanksgivings.*

As we offer our lives to you,

**Hear us, gracious Lord.**

With our hearts ready to serve,

**Accompany us, gracious Lord.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

**Our loving God in heaven,**

**Holy is your name,**

**May your reign come,**

**On earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us today Our daily bread**

**Forgive us our sins**

**As we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial**

**And deliver us from evil.**

**For the Kingdom, the Power, and the glory is yours.**

**Now and forever. Amen.**

*~St. Helena Breviary*

## **Closing Prayer**

Open our eyes that we may see. Incline our hearts that we may desire. Order our steps that we may follow the way of your commandments. **Amen.**

## **Going Out**

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