



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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