



MORNING PRAYER

8th Wednesday

In Ordinary Time

God, come to my assistance +

Lord, make haste to help me.

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.

Alleluia!

Morning Hymn: “Morning Has Broken”

Morning has broken Like the first morning, Blackbird has spoken like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them springing fresh from the Word!

Sweet the rain’s new fall sunlit from Heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight, mine is the morning, born of the one light Eden saw play. Praise with elation, praise every morning, God’s re-creation of the new day!

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Reading: Sirach 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17

Come to our aid, O God of the universe, / look upon us, show us the light of your mercies, / and put all the nations in dread of you! / Thus they will know, as we know, / that there is no God but you, O Lord.

Give new signs and work new wonders.

Gather all the tribes of Jacob, / that they may inherit the land as of old, / Show mercy to the people called by your name; / Israel, whom you named your firstborn. / Take pity on your holy city, / Jerusalem, your dwelling place. / Fill Zion with your majesty, / your temple with your glory.

Give evidence of your deeds of old; / fulfill the prophecies spoken in your name, / Reward those who have hoped in you, / and let your prophets be proved true. / Hear the prayer of your servants, / for you are ever gracious to your people; / and lead us in the way of justice. / Thus it will be known to the very ends of the earth / that you are the eternal God.

The word of the Lord.

Psalm: You Have Been Our Dwelling Place

(Please repeat refrain after cantor the first time and sing after each verse.)

You have been our dwelling place throughout all time, our safety, our refuge our home. You have been our dwelling place throughout all time, our safety, our refuge our home.

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Antiphon (*Please repeat after Leader*) Let us praise the Lord all our days: that is, in all our conduct.

Psalm 145

L: I will praise my God all my days.

R: My soul, give praise to the Lord; I will praise the Lord all my days, make music to my God while I live.

L: Put no trust in princes, In mortal men in whom there is no help. Take their breath, they return to clay and their plans that day come to nothing.

R: He is happy who is helped by Jacob's God, whose hope is in the Lord his God, who alone made heaven and earth, the seas and all they contain.

L: It is he who keeps faith for ever, who is just to those who are oppressed.

R: It is he who gives bread to the hungry, the Lord, who sets prisoners free, the Lord who gives sight to the blind, who raises up those who are bowed down, the Lord, who protects the stranger and upholds the widow and orphan.

L: It is the Lord who loves the just but thwarts the path of the wicked. The Lord will reign for ever, Sion's God, from age to age.

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.

Antiphon: (*all*) Let us praise the Lord all our days: that is, in all our conduct.

Gospel: Mark 10:32-45

The disciples were on the way, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus went ahead of them. They were amazed, and those who followed were afraid. Taking the Twelve aside again, he began to tell them what was going to happen to him. “Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be handed over to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death and hand him over to the Gentiles who will mock him, spit upon him, scourge him, and put him to death, but after three days he will rise.”

Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Jesus and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” He replied, “What do you wish me to do for you?” They answered him, “Grant that in your glory we may sit one at your right and the other at your left.” Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Can you drink the chalice that I drink or be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?” They said to him, “We can.” Jesus said to them, “The chalice that I drink, you will drink, and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right or at my left is not mine to give but is for those for whom it has been prepared.” When the ten heard this, they became indignant at James and John. Jesus summoned them and said to them, “You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Reflection

We Are Many Parts

We are many parts. We are all one body. And the gifts we have, we were given to share. May the spirit of love, make us one indeed; one, the Love that we share; one, our hope and despair; one, the cross that we bear.

God of all, we look to you, we would be your servants true, let us be your love for all the world.

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Intercessions

Lord's Prayer

Kiss of Peace

Closing Prayer

God, our Father, holy and all-powerful, you have called the poor and the weak, the blind and the lame to your Son's marriage feast. Do not allow us to be driven from your table by worldly cares, but make us trust only in your goodness, and clothe us with the bright wedding garment, that we may share your generosity in heaven.

Dismissal

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

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