

MORNING PRAYER
WEDNESDAY / FIRST WEEK IN EASTER



An Easter
Prayer

Please Stand

O Lord, open my lips
-and my mouth will declare your praise.
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.

Morning Hymn: "Canticle of the Sun"

*The heavens are telling the glory of God, and all creation is shouting for joy
Come dance in the forest, come play in the field and sing, sing, to the glory of the
Lord. (Last time: And sing, sing, to the glory of the Lord.)*

- 1. Praise to the sun, the bringer of day, he carries the light of the Lord in his
Rays, the moon and the stars, who light up the way unto your throne.*
- 2. Praise to the wind, that blows through the trees, the seas mighty storms,
The gentlest breeze, they blow where they will, they blow where they
Please, to please the Lord.*

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(Please be seated)

Reading: Micah 4:5-7

Though all the peoples walk, each in the name of its god, We will walk in the name of the Lord, our God, forever and ever. On that day-oracle of the Lord-I will gather the lame, and I will assemble the outcasts, and those whom I have afflicted. I will make the lame a remnant, and of the weak a strong nation; the Lord shall be king over them on Mount Zion, from now and forever.

The word of the Lord.

Psalm 27: " The Lord is my Light "

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

The Lord is my light, the Lord is my help, the Lord is my salvation.

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PSALMODY 119:

Antiphon (Please repeat after the Leader)

Ant: I call with all my heart; answer me, Lord, and I will obey your decrees.

L. I call with all my heart; Lord, answer me. I will observe your statutes. I call upon you; save me, and I will keep your decrees.

R. I rise before dawn and cry for help; I have hoped in your word. My eyes awoken before dawn, to ponder your promise.

L. In your mercy, hear my voice, O Lord; give me life by your decrees. Those who pursue me with malice draw near; they are far from your law.

R. But you, O Lord, are close; all your commands are truth. From of old I have known that your decrees are established forever.

Psalm Prayer

Kind and merciful God, through your power Jesus overcame death. We trust in your goodness. May your power be with us. Help us to give witness to your love before all people, so they too may praise your glory.

(Antiphon all together)

Antiphon. I call with all my heart; answer me, Lord, and I will obey your decrees.

Reading: Luke 24:30-35

And it happened that, while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them. With that their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?" So they set out at once and returned to Jerusalem where they found gathered together the Eleven and those with them who were saying, "The Lord has truly been raised and has appeared to Simon!" Then the two recounted what had taken place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of the bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Reflection

(Please Stand)

" We Walk By Faith"

1. *We walk by faith and not by sight, no gracious words we hear of him who spoke as none e'er spoke, yet we believe him near.*
2. *We may not touch his hands or side, nor follow where he trod; yet in his promise we rejoice, and cry "My Lord and God!"*
3. *Help then, O Lord our unbelief and may our faith abound; to call on you when you are near, and seek where you are found.*
4. *That when our life of faith is done in realms of clearer light we may behold you as you are In full and endless sight.*

5. *We walk by faith and not by sight: no gracious words we hear of him who spoke as none e're spoke, yet we believe him near.*

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Intercessions: (please respond "Lord hear our prayer")

Lord's Prayer

Kiss of Peace

Closing Prayer

Shepherd of your people, we praise you for the light and life you have given us; make us grateful for these wonderful gifts. Look with mercy on the flock you have gathered together in your name. Amen.

Dismissal

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

