

An Order for Morning Prayer

Call to Prayer: (Psalm 96: 2 – 4)

L: Sing to the Lord and bless his Name,

P: proclaim the good news of his salvation from day to day.

L: Declare his glory among the nations

P: and his wonders among all peoples.

L: For great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;

P: he is more to be feared than all gods.

The request for Presence (Psalm 90:14)

L: Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning,

P: So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

Blessing One: Creation. A Thanksgiving for Creation
(A prayer or scripture reading)

Blessing Two: Revelation (A Scripture Reading)

The Shema

All: Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is One.

(Silent reflection)

All: Praised be God's glorious sovereignty throughout all time.

The Morning Psalm

(Suggested Psalms: 145; 150; 18; 91; 81; 93; 100; 94; 95)

Response (Silent reflection, meditation, witness, song, or prayer)

Blessing Three: God alone is Eternal Redeemer

*Who is like You, Lord, among all that is worshiped? Who is like You, majestic in holiness, awesome in splendor, working wonders?
(Exodus 15:11)*

The redeemed sang a new song for You. They sang in chorus at the shore of the sea, acclaiming Your sovereignty: "The Lord shall reign throughout all time." (Exodus 15:18)

Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

Prayer for the Day

All: Lord God, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your almighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Walking with Jesus

We are on the Way!

“I am God Almighty: walk before me and be blameless ... I will establish my covenant between me and you, and your offspring after you throughout their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and to your offspring after you.”

Genesis 17: 1, 7 (NRSV)

“Hear, O Israel: The Lord is our God, the Lord alone. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your might. Keep these words that I am commanding you today in your heart. Recite them to your children and talk about them when you are at home and when you are away, when you lie down and when you rise.” Deuteronomy 6:4-7

Reflection: Your Pilgrimage has begun. You have been walking with Jesus for a period of time in life and faith. You know the old, old story and have experienced the covenant proclaimed in Genesis: God Almighty is your God and our God—a God who will never leave us or forsake us. Jesus is a part of God’s Covenant with God’s people. As we now prepare to step onto the ground where Jesus walked, fully human and fully divine, timeless stories will become rooted, connected to the ground, connected not somewhere far off, but to the here and now.

On this journey we seek to enter the Bible—the living, breathing word of God—and seek to become a part of it. On this pilgrimage, we will take the ancient and yet contemporary sacred Judeo-Christian text (Old Testament and New) and approach it as a seeker, a pilgrim...traveling, listening, looking, talking, experiencing.

We seek to learn not only with our heads, but with our travel, with our feet, our eyes, our ears, with all our senses. In these coming days we will walk where Jesus walked. We will wander down paths he knew. We will seek to feel and experience his presence anew. And, walking with Jesus, we will seek to hear God’s Word and God’s call on our lives in new and renewed ways with excitement, passion, hope, joy, and response!

Prayer: “Shema”

Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God, the Lord is One. Praised be God’s glorious sovereignty throughout all time. Amen