

# Daily Prayer

*Feria*

*Wednesday, September 1, 2021*

*We enter into a time of quiet. We offer to God our selves and in the silence know that God embraces us as God's very own. We offer our hopes and our concerns through our prayers and in the silence listen for God. Today we hold in our prayers the ordinary moments in life—the trials and the joys.*

*We begin by saying*

Rejoice always, pray constantly; in everything give thanks,  
for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus.

O Lord, open our lips  
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

## **The First Reading**

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother,

To the saints and faithful brothers and sisters in Christ in Colossae:  
Grace to you and peace from God our Father.

In our prayers for you we always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, for we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love that you have for all the saints, because of the hope laid up for you in heaven. You have heard of this hope before in the word of the truth, the gospel that has come to you. Just as it is bearing fruit and growing in the whole world, so it has been bearing fruit among yourselves from the day you heard it and truly comprehended the grace of God. This you learned from Epaphras, our beloved fellow-servant. He is a faithful minister of Christ on your behalf, and he has made known to us your love in the Spirit.

*Colossians 1.1-8*

## The Psalm

Fear the Lord, all you his holy ones, ♦  
for those who fear him lack nothing.

Lions may lack and suffer hunger, ♦  
but those who seek the Lord  
lack nothing that is good.

Come, my children, and listen to me; ♦  
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Who is there who delights in life ♦  
and longs for days to enjoy good things?

Keep your tongue from evil ♦  
and your lips from lying words.

Turn from evil and do good; ♦  
seek peace and pursue it.

The eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous ♦  
and his ears are open to their cry.

The face of the Lord is against those who do evil, ♦  
to root out the remembrance of them from the earth.

The righteous cry and the Lord hears them ♦  
and delivers them out of all their troubles.

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted ♦  
and will save those who are crushed in spirit.

Many are the troubles of the righteous; ♦  
from them all will the Lord deliver them.

He keeps all their bones, ♦  
so that not one of them is broken.  
But evil shall slay the wicked ♦  
and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.  
The Lord ransoms the life of his servants ♦  
and will condemn none who seek refuge in him.

*Psalm 34.9-22*

## **The Gospel Reading**

After leaving the synagogue he entered Simon's house. Now Simon's mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked him about her. Then he stood over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. Immediately she got up and began to serve them.

As the sun was setting, all those who had any who were sick with various kinds of diseases brought them to him; and he laid his hands on each of them and cured them. Demons also came out of many, shouting, 'You are the Son of God!' But he rebuked them and would not allow them to speak, because they knew that he was the Messiah.

At daybreak he departed and went into a deserted place. And the crowds were looking for him; and when they reached him, they wanted to prevent him from leaving them. But he said to them, 'I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other cities also; for I was sent for this purpose.' So he continued proclaiming the message in the synagogues of Judea.

*Luke 4.38-44*

*We reflect on the readings asking what the reading has to say to us today. Is there something that draws us more deeply into the reading? What does God have to say to us? What do we have to ask God? When the time is right, we conclude our time of silence with the canticle.*

# The Canticle ~ A Song of the Lord's Anointed

*The Lord has anointed me  
and sent me to bring good news to the oppressed.*

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me ♦  
because he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed, ♦  
to bind up the broken-hearted,

To proclaim liberty to the captives, ♦  
and the opening of the prison to those who are bound;

To proclaim the year of the Lord's favour, ♦  
to comfort all who mourn,

To give them a garland instead of ashes, ♦  
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,  
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit,

That they may be called oaks of righteousness, ♦  
the planting of the Lord, that he may be glorified.

For as the earth puts forth her blossom, ♦  
and as seeds in the garden spring up,

So shall the Lord God make righteousness and praise ♦  
blossom before all the nations.

You shall be called priests of the Lord; ♦  
they shall speak of you as ministers of our God.

*Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.*

*The Lord has anointed me  
and sent me to bring good news to the oppressed.*

*We continue in prayer for those people and situations that we hold up before God (The Intercessions) and continue with the concluding collect, the Lord's prayer and the closing sentences.*

## **The Intercessions**

For the whole People of God, that each one may be a true and faithful servant of Christ, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those drawing near to the light of faith, that the Lord will bring them to true knowledge of himself, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our families and friends, that the Lord will give them joy and satisfaction in all that they do, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who are lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted, or ignored, that the Lord will comfort and sustain them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For our country, that the Lord will help us to contribute to its true growth and well-being, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the whole human family, that we may live together in justice and peace, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

*Our prayers conclude*

Author and Giver of all good things,  
graft in our hearts the love of your name,  
increase in us true religion,  
nourish us in all goodness,  
and of your great mercy keep us in the same;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever.

*[let us pray as our Saviour taught us,]*

Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as 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 are yours,  
now and for ever. Amen

*We conclude*

Let us pursue all that makes for peace  
and builds up our common life.  
Amen.

Credits:

Scripture quotations: The New Revised Standard Version of the Bible © 1989 by the Division of Christian Education of the National Council of Churches in the USA. Used by permission. All Rights Reserved.

The Psalm: Common Worship: Psalter © The Archbishops' Council 2005 and published by Church House Publishing.

The Canticle: Common Worship: Canticles © The Archbishops' Council 2005 and published by Church House Publishing.

The Intercessions: *Book of Alternative Services* © 2004 by the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada. All rights reserved. Reproduced under license from ABC Publishing, Anglican Book Centre, a ministry of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, from *Anglican Liturgical Library*

The Collect: *Book of Alternative Services* © 2004 by the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada. All rights reserved. Reproduced under license from ABC Publishing, Anglican Book Centre, a ministry of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada, from *Anglican Liturgical Library*

The Concluding Sentence: Common Worship: Daily Prayer. © The Archbishops' Council 2005 and published by Church House Publishing.

# Church of the Redeemer

162 Bloor Street West Toronto, ON M5S 1M4

416.922.4948

[office@theredeemer.ca](mailto:office@theredeemer.ca)

[www.TheRedeemer.ca](http://www.TheRedeemer.ca)

Twitter: @theRedeemerTO

Facebook: theRedeemerTO

Instagram: theRedeemerTO