

# Daily Prayer

*Feria*

*Wednesday, October 11, 2023*

*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*

O God, make speed to save us.

**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Make me to know your ways, O Lord,

**and teach me your paths.**

## **The First Reading**

But this was very displeasing to Jonah, and he became angry. He prayed to the LORD and said, 'O LORD! Is not this what I said while I was still in my own country? That is why I fled to Tarshish at the beginning; for I knew that you are a gracious God and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and ready to relent from punishing. And now, O LORD, please take my life from me, for it is better for me to die than to live.' And the LORD said, 'Is it right for you to be angry?' Then Jonah went out of the city and sat down east of the city, and made a booth for himself there. He sat under it in the shade, waiting to see what would become of the city.

The LORD God appointed a bush, and made it come up over Jonah, to give shade over his head, to save him from his discomfort; so Jonah was very happy about the bush. But when dawn came up the next day, God appointed a worm that attacked the bush, so that it withered. When the sun rose, God prepared a sultry east

wind, and the sun beat down on the head of Jonah so that he was faint and asked that he might die. He said, 'It is better for me to die than to live.'

But God said to Jonah, 'Is it right for you to be angry about the bush?' And he said, 'Yes, angry enough to die.' Then the LORD said, 'You are concerned about the bush, for which you did not labour and which you did not grow; it came into being in a night and perished in a night. And should I not be concerned about Nineveh, that great city, in which there are more than a hundred and twenty thousand people who do not know their right hand from their left, and also many animals?'

*Jonah 4.1-11*

## **The Psalm**

Incline your ear, O Lord, and answer me, ♦  
for I am poor and in misery.

Preserve my soul, for I am faithful; ♦  
save your servant, for I put my trust in you.

Be merciful to me, O Lord, for you are my God; ♦  
I call upon you all the day long.

Gladden the soul of your servant, ♦  
for to you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

For you, Lord, are good and forgiving, ♦  
abounding in steadfast love to all who call upon you.

Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer ♦  
and listen to the voice of my supplication.

In the day of my distress I will call upon you, ♦  
for you will answer me.

Among the gods there is none like you, O Lord, ♦  
nor any works like yours.

All nations you have made shall come and worship you,  
O Lord, ♦  
and shall glorify your name.

For you are great and do wonderful things; ♦  
you alone are God.

*Psalm 86.1-10*

## **The Gospel Reading**

He was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, 'Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'When you pray, say:  
Father, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread.

And forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us.

And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

*Luke 11.1-4*

*In silence, we ask what the readings have 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 ~ Benedicite—A Song of Creation**

Bless the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the Lord all you works of the Lord: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the Lord you heavens: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the Lord you angels of the Lord: ♦  
bless the Lord all you his hosts;

bless the Lord you waters above the heavens: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the Lord sun and moon: ♦  
bless the Lord you stars of heaven;

bless the Lord all rain and dew: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the Lord all winds that blow: ♦  
bless the Lord you fire and heat;

bless the Lord scorching wind and bitter cold: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the Lord dews and falling snows: ♦  
bless the Lord you nights and days;

bless the Lord light and darkness: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the Lord frost and cold: ♦  
bless the Lord you ice and snow;

bless the Lord lightnings and clouds: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

O let the earth bless the Lord: ♦  
bless the Lord you mountains and hills;

bless the Lord all that grows in the ground: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the Lord you springs: ♦  
bless the Lord you seas and rivers;  
bless the Lord you whales and all that swim in the waters: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.  
Bless the Lord all birds of the air: ♦  
bless the Lord you beasts and cattle;  
bless the Lord all people on earth: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.  
O people of God bless the Lord: ♦  
bless the Lord you priests of the Lord;  
bless the Lord you servants of the Lord: ♦  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.  
Bless the Lord all you of upright spirit: ♦  
bless the Lord you that are holy and humble in heart.

*The Song of the Three 35-65*

*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.*

Bless the Father, Son and Holy Spirit;  
sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

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

## **The Intercessions**

In peace, let us pray to Jesus our Lord,  
who ever lives to make intercession for us.

Saviour of the world,  
be present in all places of suffering, violence and pain,

and bring hope even in the darkest night.  
Inspire us to continue your work of reconciliation today.  
*In peace we pray.*

Lord of the Church,  
empower by your Spirit the work of your Church in every land.  
Give us grace to proclaim the gospel joyfully in word and deed.  
*In peace we pray.*

Shepherd and Guardian of our souls,  
guide and enable all who lead and serve this community  
and those on whom we depend for our daily needs.  
Grant that we may seek the peace and welfare of this place.  
*In peace we pray.*

Great Physician,  
stretch out your hand to bring comfort, wholeness and peace  
to all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit.  
Fill us with compassion, that we may be channels of your healing  
love.  
*In peace we pray.*

Conqueror of death,  
remember for good those whom we love but see no longer.  
Help us to live this day in the sure and certain hope of your eternal  
victory.  
*In peace we pray.*

Let us commend ourselves, and all for whom we pray,  
to the mercy and protection of God. Amen

*Our prayers conclude*

God of glory,  
who created the earth to share in the beauty of the heavens,  
bless our land and all that thrives on it.

May our world teem with life,  
may its creatures be fruitful and multiply,  
may it yield in season a plentiful harvest  
and may we work to enable it to flourish and grow  
now and for the generations to come,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*[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*

May God grant to the world justice, truth and peace.

**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: Common Worship: General Intercessions (adapted) © The Archbishops' Council 2005 and published by Church House Publishing.

The Collect: The Canterbury Book of New Parish Prayers, M. J. Kramer © 2021, Canterbury Press

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