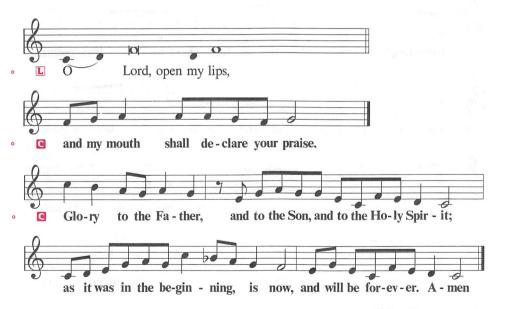


MORNING PRAYER

Matins

A simplified form of Morning Prayer, suitable for family or small group devotion, is indicated by the small circle.

Stand



The alleluia is omitted during Lent.



1. The PSALMODY begins with this song of praise. Another appropriate canticle may follow the invitatory.





Sit

- 2. A second psalm is sung or said. Additional psalms and an Old Testament canticle may be sung or said also. Silence for meditation follows each psalm or canticle.
 - 3. The psalm prayer appropriate to each psalm follows the silence.
 - Amen

Stand

4. THE HYMN is sung.

Sit

- 5. One or two LESSONS are read. Silence for meditation follows each reading.
 - 6. A response to the reading(s) may follow the silence. The leader then continues:
 - Left In many and various ways God spoke to his people of old by the prophets.
 - But now in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.

Stand

• 7. The GOSPEL CANTICLE is sung. If the Paschal Blessing is not used at the end of the service, the canticle, "You are God; we praise you," page 139, may replace this canticle.











8. The PRAYER OF THE DAY is said.

Amen

- 9. Other prayers may be said by the leader with the congregation responding "Amen" to each, or members of the congregation may be invited to offer petitions and thanksgivings. Instead, The Litany, page 168, or Responsive Prayer 1, page 161, may be used. In concluding the prayers the leader says:
- L O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us in safety to this new
 day; preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome in adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose;
 through Jesus Christ our Lord. (249)
- Amen
- Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
 - A 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 forever. Amen

OR Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen



- 10. The BENEDICTION concludes the service when there is no sermon. A hymn may follow. On Sundays the service may be concluded with the Paschal Blessing, page 138.
- 11. When there is a sermon, this benediction is omitted. The order of service continues at 12.



The Lord al-mighty bless us, and direct our days and our deeds in his peace.



Sit

- 12. An OFFERING may be received during which a hymn, psalm, or anthem may be sung.
- 13. A HYMN is sung.
- 14. The SERMON. Following the sermon one of these prayers is said.

Stand

- to your Church your Holy Spirit and the wisdom which comes down from heaven, that your Word may not be bound but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve you and in the confession of your name may abide to the end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. (250)
- P Almighty God, grant OR P Lord God, you have OR called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- P Lord, we thank you that you have taught us what you would have us believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep your Word in pure hearts, that thereby we may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and in death.

Amen

15. The minister blesses the congregation. The Benediction is omitted here if the Paschal Blessing is to be used.



P The al-mighty and merciful Lord, the Father,

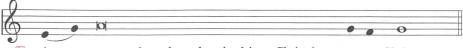
the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and pre-serve you.



PASCHAL BLESSING

16. ► The Paschal Blessing may be used on Sundays to conclude Morning Prayer. The service may be led from the font.





As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.



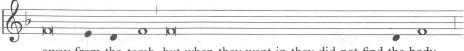
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On the first day of the week at ear-ly dawn, the women went to the tomb,



taking spices which they had pre-pared. And they found the stone rolled



away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body.



While they were perplexed a-bout this, behold, two men stood by them in



dazzling ap-parel; and as they were frightened and bowed their fac-es to

