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## November 21<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – Morning Prayer

### Welcome

### Opening Sentence –

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! Mark 11.9, 10

### Opening Hymn - Thank you, thank you Jesus

### Introductory Responses

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

O God, make speed to save us.  
**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Blessed be God: Source of all being, eternal Word  
and Holy Spirit.  
**Blessed be God for ever.**

### The Penitential Rite

If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free. John 8.31-32

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbour.

**God of all mercy,  
we confess that we have sinned against you,  
opposing your will in our lives.  
We have denied your goodness in each other,  
in ourselves and in the world you have created.**

**We repent of the evil that enslaves us,  
the evil we have done  
and the evil done on our behalf.  
Forgive, restore and strengthen us  
through our Saviour Jesus Christ,  
so that we may abide in your love  
and serve only your will. Amen..**

May the God of love and power  
forgive us and free us from our sins,  
heal and strengthen us by the Holy Spirit  
and raise us to new life in Jesus Christ.  
**Amen.**

### The Gloria –

Gloria (**clap, clap**), Gloria (**clap, clap**),  
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Lord God, heavenly King,  
Peace you bring to us;  
We worship you, we give you thanks,  
We sing our song of praise.

Jesus, savior of all,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
You take away our sin, O Lord,  
Have mercy on us all.

At the Father's right hand,  
Lord, receive our prayer,  
For you alone are the Holy One  
And you alone are Lord.

Glory Father and Son,  
Glory Holy Spirit,  
To you we raise our hands up high,  
We glorify your name.

The Proclamation of the Word

The Psalm for the day - [Psalm 132:1-12, \(13-18\)](#)

O LORD, remember in David's favor all the hardships he endured;

**how he swore to the LORD and vowed to the Mighty One of Jacob,**

"I will not enter my house or get into my bed;

**I will not give sleep to my eyes or slumber to my eyelids,**

until I find a place for the LORD, a dwelling place for the Mighty One of Jacob."

**We heard of it in Ephrathah; we found it in the fields of Jaar.**

"Let us go to his dwelling place; let us worship at his footstool."

**Rise up, O LORD, and go to your resting place, you and the ark of your might.**

Let your priests be clothed with righteousness, and let your faithful shout for joy.

**For your servant David's sake do not turn away the face of your anointed one.**

The LORD swore to David a sure oath from which he will not turn back: "One of the sons of your body I will set on your throne.

**If your sons keep my covenant and my decrees that I shall teach them, their sons also, forevermore, shall sit on your throne."**

For the LORD has chosen Zion; he has desired it for his habitation:

**"This is my resting place forever; here I will reside, for I have desired it.**

I will abundantly bless its provisions; I will satisfy its poor with bread.

**Its priests I will clothe with salvation, and its faithful will shout for joy.**

There I will cause a horn to sprout up for David; I have prepared a lamp for my anointed one.

**His enemies I will clothe with disgrace, but on him, his crown will gleam."**

Gracious God, you have taught us in our Saviour Jesus Christ that you are present wherever there is love, and that two or three who gather in his name are citizens of your eternal city. Feed us with the bread of life, that we may grow to recognize in every human heart a sign of your presence and an opportunity to serve you. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord

The 1st Reading – [2 Samuel 23:1-7](#)

Hear what the Spirit is saying to the church.  
**Thanks be to God.**

The Responsory

Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.  
And Christ shall give you light.  
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And Christ shall give you light.**

You have died and your life is hid with Christ in God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on the earth.  
**Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.  
And Christ shall give you light.**

When Christ our life appears  
you will appear with him in glory.  
**Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead.  
And Christ shall give you light.**

The 2nd Reading - [Revelation 1:4b-8](#)

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The Canticle

The Song of Zechariah (Luke 1.68-79)

Blessed are you, Lord, the God of Israel,  
you have come to your people and set them free.

**You have raised up for us a mighty Saviour,  
born of the house of your servant David.**

Through your holy prophets,  
you promised of old to save us from our enemies,

**from the hands of all who hate us,  
to show mercy to our forebears,  
and to remember your holy covenant.**

This was the oath you swore to our father  
Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our  
enemies,

**free to worship you without fear, holy and  
righteous before you, all the days of our life.**

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the  
Most High, for you will go before the Lord to  
prepare the way,

**to give God's people knowledge of salvation  
by the forgiveness of their sins.**

In the tender compassion of our God  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

**to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the  
shadow and to guide our feet into the way of  
peace**

Glory to God, Source of all being, eternal Word  
and Holy Spirit:  
**as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for  
ever.**

The Gradual Hymn - You Say

The Gospel - [John 18:33-37](#)

The Lord be with you.  
**And with thy spirit.**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to . . .  
**Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

The Gospel of Christ.  
**Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

Reflection – The Christiacion Advent Challenge

Affirmation of Faith

Let us affirm our faith as we say together the  
words of the Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come again to judge the living and  
the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers for the Community

Let us offer our intercessions, petitions and  
thanksgivings, saying,  
'Holy One, hear and have mercy.'

God of Israel, may this day be one of fulfillment  
and peace.

**Holy One, hear and have mercy.**

Teach us to love all creation as you have loved us.  
**Holy One, hear and have mercy.**

Fill the world with your peace and justice.  
**Holy One, hear and have mercy.**

Strengthen and relieve those who are in need.  
**Holy One, hear and have mercy.**

Renew the Church through the power of your life-giving Spirit.  
**Holy One, hear and have mercy.**

Collect 1 –

God of glory, by the raising of your Son you have broken the chains of death and hell: fill your Church with faith and hope; for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Saviour Jesus Christ. Amen

The Lord's Prayer

Rejoicing in God's new creation  
and gathering our prayers and praises into one,  
let us pray as our Saviour taught us,  
and we invite you pray in the language your heart  
loves best,

**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.**

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

Collect 2 –

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King, grant that the peoples of the earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever

May the risen Christ grant us the joys of eternal life. **Amen.**

The Closing Hymn – Put Your Hand in the Hand