

Christ Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Morning Praise - page 45 in Christian Worship Hymnal

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Luther's Morning Prayer – I thank you, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, your dear Son, that you have kept me this night from all harm and danger. Keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please you. Into your hands I commend my body and soul and all things. Let your holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me.

Morning Hymn

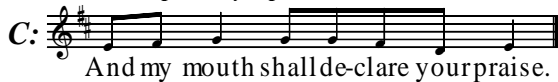
**Father, we praise you, now the night is over,
Active and watchful, standing now before you.
Singing, we offer prayer and meditation; Thus we adore you.**

**Monarch of all things, fit us for your mansions;
Banish our weakness, health and wholeness sending.
Bring us to heaven, where your saints united. Joy without ending.**

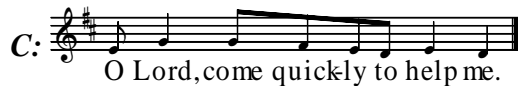
**All-holy Father, Son, and equal Spirit, Trinity blessed, send us your salvation.
Yours is the glory, gleaming and resounding Through all creation.**

Texts revised from The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941. Music from The Lutheran Hymnal, 1941 revised by Kermit G. Moldenhauer.

P: O Lord, open my lips.



P: Hasten to save me, O God



P: The Spirit of the Lord fills the world: let us worship him.

Sing:

**Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord,
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal-va-tion.
Let us come into his presence with thanks-giv-ing,
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise.**

**For the Lord is a great God and a great king a-bove all gods.
The deep places of the earth are in his hand; the heights of the hills are al-so his.
The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land.**

**Oh, come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our mak-er.
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.**

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First Lesson – Acts 17:22-31 “A Living God, Not a Man Made Object” ²²Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: "Men of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: TO AN UNKNOWN GOD. Now what you worship as something unknown I am going to proclaim to you. ²⁴"The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by hands. ²⁵And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything, because he himself gives all men life and breath and everything else. ²⁶From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live. ²⁷God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from each one of us. ²⁸For in him we live and move and have our being.' As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.' ²⁹"Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone--an image made by man's design and skill. ³⁰In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. ³¹For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead."



Psalm 66 on page 90 in the front of Christian Worship

Gospel Lesson – John 14:15-21 - “Peering Ahead to Pentecost” ¹⁵"If you love me, you will obey what I command. ¹⁶And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Counselor to be with you forever--¹⁷the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. ¹⁸I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. ¹⁹Before long, the world will not see me anymore, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. ²⁰On that day you will realize that I am in my Father, and you are in me, and I am in you. ²¹Whoever has my commands and obeys them, he is the one who loves me. He who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I too will love him and show myself to him."

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“I Love to Tell the Story”

Sermon

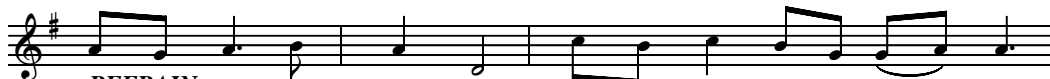
“Always Be Prepared”

1 Peter 3:15-22

¹⁵But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. But do this with gentleness and respect, ¹⁶keeping a clear conscience, so that those who speak maliciously against your good behavior in Christ may be ashamed of their slander. ¹⁷It is better, if it is God's will, to suffer for doing good than for doing evil. ¹⁸For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive by the Spirit, ¹⁹through whom also he went and preached to the spirits in prison ²⁰who disobeyed long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, ²¹and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also--not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a good conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ, ²²who has gone into heaven and is at God's right hand--with angels, authorities and powers in submission to him.

Te Deum

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REFRAIN

You are God; we praise you. You are God; we ac - claim you.



To you, O Fa - ther ho - ly all cre - a - tion of - fers praise.



With the an - gels in heav - en, We praise you, we praise you! With the
Cre - a - tor of all things, We praise you, we praise you! O
O Christ, King of glo - ry, We praise you, we praise you! You be -



cher - u - bim and ser - a - phim, We praise you, we praise you! With a - pos - tles and
Je - sus Christ, the Son of God, We praise you, we praise you! O Spir - it, most
- came a man to set us free; We praise you, we praise you! You have ris - en to



proph - ets, We praise you, we praise you! With the mar - tyrs and your ho - ly Church, We
ho - ly, We praise you, we praise you! To the Trin - i - ty most bless - ed, We
free us; We praise you, we praise you! And with all your saints in glo - ry, We



sing in end-less praise! *Refrain*
sing in end-less praise! *Refrain*
sing in end-less praise! *Final Refrain*



FINAL REFRAIN

You are God; we praise you. You are God; we ac - claim you.



To you, O Fa - ther ho - ly all cre - a - tion of - fers praise, all cre -



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Offering

Kyrie (Lord, Have Mercy)

P: In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.



Lord's Prayer

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. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

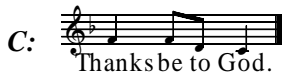
Prayer of the Day

Prayer for Grace

P: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger; and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

P: Let us praise the Lord.



Blessing

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.



Closing Verse

“Worthy is Christ our Lord”

**Worthy is Christ our Lord, The Lamb for sinners slain,
Whose blood has set His people free, Who over all things reigns.
To Him be glory now to Him be pow’r and might
To Him be wisdom, honor, strength; The Victor in the fight**

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