

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. Amen.

Morning Hymn – CW279 “O Word of God Incarnate”

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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Lessons and Psalm

Old Testament Lesson - Amos 7:10-15 “Before You Plant You Have to Plow”

¹⁰Then Amaziah the priest of Bethel sent a message to Jeroboam king of Israel: "Amos is raising a conspiracy against you in the very heart of Israel. The land cannot bear all his words. ¹¹For this is what Amos is saying: "Jeroboam will die by the sword, and Israel will surely go into exile, away from their native land."

¹²Then Amaziah said to Amos, "Get out, you seer! Go back to the land of Judah. Earn your bread there and do your prophesying there. ¹³Don't prophesy anymore at Bethel, because this is the king's sanctuary and the temple of the kingdom."

¹⁴Amos answered Amaziah, "I was neither a prophet nor a prophet's son, but I was a shepherd, and I also took care of sycamore-fig trees. ¹⁵But the LORD took me from tending the flock and said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'



Psalm 78 on page 95 in the front of Christian Worship

Gospel Lesson - Mark 6:7-13 “Sharing Christ is Job #1 for Christians”

⁷Calling the Twelve to him, he sent them out two by two and gave them authority over evil spirits.

⁸These were his instructions: "Take nothing for the journey except a staff--no bread, no bag, no money in your belts. ⁹Wear sandals but not an extra tunic. ¹⁰Whenever you enter a house, stay there until you leave that town. ¹¹And if any place will not welcome you or listen to you, shake the dust off your feet when you leave, as a testimony against them."

¹²They went out and preached that people should repent. ¹³They drove out many demons and anointed many sick people with oil and healed them.

Sermon Hymn CW241 vv 1-3

“Alleluia! Let Praises Ring”

Sermon

“Chosen by God to _____!”

Ephesians 1:3-14

³Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ. ⁴For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love ⁵he predestined us to be adopted as his sons through Jesus Christ, in accordance with his pleasure and will-- ⁶to the praise of his glorious grace, which he has freely given us in the One he loves. ⁷In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God's grace ⁸that he lavished on us with all wisdom and understanding. ⁹And he made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ, ¹⁰to be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment--to bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ.

¹¹In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will, ¹²in order that we, who were the first to hope in Christ, might be for the praise of his glory. ¹³And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession--to the praise of his glory.

Confession and Absolution (Psalm 130)

P: Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord.

C: O Lord, hear my voice.

P: Let your ears be attentive to my cry for mercy.

C: If you, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

P: But with you there is forgiveness; therefore you are feared.

C: I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I put my hope.

P: Let us enter the presence of the holy God in humility.

ALL: Holy God, I have sinned against you. I have failed to do what you command and have done what you forbid. My very nature is sinful. I deserve to be separated from you forever. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

P: O Israel, put your hope in the Lord, for with the Lord is unfailing love and with him is full redemption. God made Jesus, who had no sin, to be sin for you. He has taken away your guilt and covered you in righteousness. On the basis of Jesus' sacrifice and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

ALL: Lord Jesus, you are my righteousness. I am your sin. You became what you were not. You made me to be what I was not.

Hymn of the Day CW525 vv 1-3

“The Son of God, Our Christ”

Children's Lesson

Offering

Kyrie (Lord, Have Mercy)

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

C: 
Lord, have mer-cy, Christ, have mer-cy. Lord, have mer-cy.

Lord's Prayer

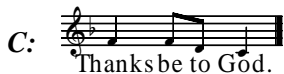
Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Prayer 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 Hymn – CW241 v4

“Alleluia! Let Praises Ring”
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**Alleluia! Let praises ring!
Unto our triune God we sing;
Blest be his name forever!
With angel hosts let us adore
And sing his praises more and more
For all his grace and favor.
Singing, Ringing: Holy, holy,
God is holy. Spread the story
Of our God the Lord of glory!**

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