

Morning & Evening Prayer



West Dartmoor Mission Community
Lent 2020

**ORDER OF SERVICE
FOR MORNING PRAYER**

PREPARATION

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

All Hear our voice, O Lord, according to your faithful love,
according to your judgement give us life.

Minister Blessed are you, God of compassion and mercy,
to you be praise and glory for ever.
In the darkness of our sin,
your light breaks forth like the dawn
and your healing springs up for deliverance.
As we rejoice in the gift of your saving help,
sustain us with your bountiful Spirit
and open our lips to sing your praise.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All **Blessed be God for ever**

Have mercy on me, O God, in your great goodness;◆
according to the abundance of your compassion blot out my
offences.

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness ◆
and cleanse me from my sin.

For I acknowledge my faults ◆
and my sin is ever before me.

Against you only have I sinned ◆
and done what is evil in your sight,
So that you are justified in your sentence ◆
and righteous in your judgement.

Cast me not away from your presence ◆
and take not your holy spirit from me.

Give me again the joy of your salvation ◆
and sustain me with your gracious spirit;

Then shall I teach your ways to the wicked ◆
and sinners shall return to you.

Deliver me from my guilt, O God,
the God of my salvation, ◆
and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness.

All **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.**

This opening prayer may be said

Minister The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

Minister As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,
so may the light of your presence, O God,
set our hearts on fire with love for you;
now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Psalmody

Psalm 121

1. I lift up my eyes to the hills; ♦
from where is my help to come?
2. My help comes from the Lord, ♦
the maker of heaven and earth.
3. He will not suffer your foot to stumble; ♦
he who watches over you will not sleep.
4. Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel ♦
shall neither slumber nor sleep.
5. The Lord himself watches over you; ♦
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
6. So that the sun shall not strike you by day, ♦
neither the moon by night.

7. The Lord shall keep you from all evil; ♦
it is he who shall keep your soul.
8. The Lord shall keep watch over your going out
and your coming in, ♦
from this time forth for evermore.

All **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.**

A READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

Canticle—The Song of Manasseh

All **Full of compassion and mercy and love
is God, the Most High, the Almighty.**

Lord almighty and God of our ancestors ♦
you who made heaven and earth in all their glory:
All things tremble with awe at your presence, ♦
before your great and mighty power.
Immeasurable and unsearchable is your promised mercy, ♦
for you are God, Most High.
You are full of compassion, long-suffering and very
merciful, ♦
and you relent at human suffering.
O God, according to your great goodness, ♦
you have promised forgiveness for repentance
to those who have sinned against you.
The sins I have committed against you ♦
are more in number than the sands of the sea.
I am not worthy to look up to the height of heaven, ♦
because of the multitude of my iniquities.
And now I bend the knee of my heart before you, ♦
imploping your kindness upon me.
I have sinned, O God, I have sinned, ♦
and I acknowledge my transgressions.
Unworthy as I am, you will save me, ♦

according to your great mercy.
For all the host of heaven sings your praise, ♦
and your glory is for ever and ever.

Manasseh 1a,2,4,6,7a,b,9a,c,11,12,14b,15b

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and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning is now
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

All **Full of compassion and mercy and love,
is God, the Most High, the Almighty.**

A READING FROM THE NEW TESTAMENT

A suitable song or chant, or a responsorial in this or another form, may follow

All To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
O my God, in you I trust.

All You are the God of my salvation,
To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul.

All In you I hope all the day long.
O my God, in you I trust.

All Remember, Lord, your compassion and love,
for they are from everlasting.

All **To you, O Lord, I lift up my soul;
O my God, in you I trust.**

from Psalm 25

Gospel Canticle

Refrain:

All **Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for
righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.**

Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, ♦
who has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, ♦
born of the house of his servant David.

Through his holy prophets God promised of old ♦
to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all that hate us,
To show mercy to our ancestors, ♦
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: ♦
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
Free to worship him without fear, ♦
holy and righteous in his sight
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 his way,
To give his people knowledge of salvation ♦
by the forgiveness of all 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 of death, ♦
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1.68-79

All **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.**

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righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.**

PRAYERS

Minister Lord, in your mercy
All **hear our prayer**

Silence may be kept.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God,
you hate nothing that you have made
and forgive the sins of all those who are penitent:
create and make in us new and contrite hearts
that we, worthily lamenting our sins
and acknowledging our wretchedness,
may receive from you, the God of all mercy,
perfect remission and forgiveness;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen**

Minister Trusting in the compassion of God,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All **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,
the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE CONCLUSION

May God our Redeemer show us compassion and love.

All **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

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PREPARATION

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All Hear our voice, O Lord, according to your faithful love,
according to your judgement give us life.

Minister:

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation,
to you be glory and praise for ever.

In the darkness of our sin you have shone in our hearts
to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God
in the face of Jesus Christ.

Open our eyes to acknowledge your presence,
that freed from the misery of sin and shame
we may grow into your likeness from glory to glory.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

All **Blessed be God for ever.**

A Song of Entreaty or another suitable hymn

Lord Jesus, think on me,
and purge away my sin;
from earthborn passions set me free,
and make me pure within.

Lord Jesus, think on me
with many a care opprest;
let me thy loving servant be,
and taste thy promised rest.

Lord Jesus, think on me,
nor let me go astray;
through darkness and perplexity
point thou the heavenly way.

Lord Jesus, think on me,
that, when the flood is past,
I may the eternal brightness see,
and share thy joy at last.

*George the Sinner, tr: A W Chatfield
(Tune: SM)*

This opening prayer may be said

Minister That this evening may be holy, good and peaceful,
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

Minister As our evening prayer rises before you, O God,
so may your mercy come down upon us
to cleanse our hearts
and set us free to sing your praise
now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

Psalm 48

Psalmody

Great is the Lord and highly to be praised, ♦
in the city of our God.
His holy mountain is fair and lifted high, ♦
the joy of all the earth.
On Mount Zion, the divine dwelling place, ♦
stands the city of the great king.
In her palaces God has shown himself ♦
to be a sure refuge.
For behold, the kings of the earth assembled ♦
and swept forward together.
They saw, and were dumbfounded; ♦
dismayed, they fled in terror.
Trembling seized them there;
they writhed like a woman in labour, ♦
as when the east wind shatters the ships of Tarshish.
As we had heard, so have we seen
in the city of the Lord of hosts, the city of our God: ♦
God has established her for ever.

We have waited on your loving-kindness, O God, ♦
in the midst of your temple.
As with your name, O God,
so your praise reaches to the ends of the earth; ♦
your right hand is full of justice.
Mount Zion rejoice and the daughters of Judah be glad, ♦
because of your judgements, O Lord.
Walk about Zion and go round about her; count all her towers; ♦
consider well her bulwarks; pass through her citadels,
That you may tell those who come after
that such is our God for ever and ever. ♦
It is he that shall be our guide for evermore.

All **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.**

A READING FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

A Song of Christ the Servant, or another suitable canticle

Refrain

All **Christ committed no sin, no guile was found on his lips.**

Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, ♦
that you should follow in his steps.

He committed no sin, no guile was found on his lips, ♦
when he was reviled, he did not revile in turn.

When he suffered, he did not threaten, ♦
but he trusted himself to God who judges justly.

Christ himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, ♦
that we might die to sin and live to righteousness.

By his wounds, you have been healed,
for you were straying like sheep, ♦

but have now returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

1 Peter 2.21b-25

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Make haste to help me,
O Lord of my salvation.

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and to the Holy Spirit.

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from Psalm 38

Gospel Canticle

Refrain

All **Come, let us return to the Lord,
for our God will richly pardon**

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour; ♦
he has looked with favour on his lowly servant.
From this day all generations will call me blessed; ♦
the Almighty has done great things for me and holy is his name.
He has mercy on those who fear him, ♦
from generation to generation.
He has shown strength with his arm ♦
and has scattered the proud in their conceit,
Casting down the mighty from their thrones ♦
and lifting up the lowly.
He has filled the hungry with good things ♦
and sent the rich away empty.
He has come to the aid of his servant Israel, ♦
to remember his promise of mercy,

The promise made to our ancestors, ♦
to Abraham and his children for ever.

Luke 1.46-55

All **Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit; ♦
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All **How excellent is your name in all the world,
you have set your glory above the heavens.**

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