

L O Lord, open my lips,
C and my mouth will declare Your praise.

L Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

C make haste to help me, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

Amen.

PSALM

Psalm 27:1–9; antiphon: v. 1

¹The LORD is my light and my salvation;
 whom | shall I fear?*

The LORD is the stronghold of my life;
 of whom shall I | be afraid?

²When evildoers assail me
 to eat | up my flesh,*
 my adversaries and foes,
 it is they who stum- | ble and fall.

³Though an army encamp against me,
 my heart | shall not fear;*
 though war arise against me,
 yet I will be | confident.

⁴One thing have I asked of the LORD,
 that will I seek | after:.*
 that I may dwell in the house of the LORD
 all the days of my life,
 to gaze upon the beauty of the LORD
 and to inquire in his | temple.

⁵For he will hide me in his shelter
 in the day of | trouble;*

he will conceal me under the cover of his tent;
he will lift me high up- | on a rock.

⁶And now my head shall be lifted up
above my enemies all around me,
and I will offer in his tent
sacrifices with | shouts of joy;*
I will sing and make melody | to the LORD.

⁷Hear, O LORD, when I | cry aloud;*
be gracious to me and | answer me!

⁸You have said, | “Seek my face.”*
My heart says to you,
“Your face, LORD, | do I seek.”

⁹Hide not your face from me.
Turn not your servant away in | anger,*
O you who have been my help.
Cast me not off; forsake me not,
O God of my sal- | vation!

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C **Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy
Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world
without end. Amen.**

READING

Isaiah 9:1–4

A The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, chapter 9.

¹ There will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the

land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations.

² The people who walked in darkness
have seen a great light;
those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness,
on them has light shined.

³ You have multiplied the nation;
you have increased its joy;
they rejoice before you
as with joy at the harvest,
as they are glad when they divide the spoil.

⁴ For the yoke of his burden,
and the staff for his shoulder,
the rod of his oppressor,
you have broken as on the day of Midian.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

READING

1 Corinthians 1:10–18

A The Epistle is from 1 Corinthians, chapter 1.

¹⁰I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. ¹¹For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. ¹²What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." ¹³Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? ¹⁴I thank God

that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. ¹⁶(I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) ¹⁷For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

¹⁸For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

READING

Matthew 4:12–25

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

¹²When [Jesus] heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. ¹³And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, ¹⁴so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled:

¹⁵“The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,
the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the
Gentiles—

¹⁶the people dwelling in darkness

have seen a great light,
and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death,
on them a light has dawned.”

¹⁷From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

¹⁸While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." ²⁰Immediately they left their nets and followed him. ²¹And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. ²²Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

²³And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. ²⁴So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them. ²⁵And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

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1	O	Christ,	our	true	and	on	-	ly	light,	En	-	light	-	en
2	Fill	with	the	ra	-	diance	of	Your	grace	The	souls	now		
3	O	gent	-	ly	call	those	gone	a	-	stray	That	they	may	
4	Shine	on	the	dark	-	ened	and	the	cold;	Re	-	call	the	
5	That	they	with	us	may	ev	-	er	-	more	Such	grace	with	



those who sit in night; Let those a - far now
lost in er - ror's maze; En - light - en those whose
find the sav - ing way! Let ev - 'ry con - science
wan - d'ers to Your fold. U - nite all those who
won - d'ring thanks a - dore And end - less praise to



hear Your voice And in Your fold with us re - jice.
in - most minds Some dark de - lu - sion haunts and blinds.
sore op - pressed In You find peace and heav'n - ly rest.
walk a - part; Con - firm the weak and doubt - ing heart,
You be giv'n By all Your Church in earth and heav'n.

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SERMON

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- L** O Lord,
- C** have mercy.
- L** O Christ,
- C** have mercy.
- L** O Lord,
- C** have mercy.

LORD'S PRAYER

- C** 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.

APOSTLES' CREED

☐ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.
The third day He rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
From thence He will come to judge the living and the
dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life ✝ everlasting. Amen.

- L** Hear my prayer, O Lord;
C **let my cry come to You.**
- L** In the day of my trouble I call upon You,
C **for You answer me.**
- L** Hide Your face from my sins,
C **and blot out all my iniquities.**
- L** Create in me a clean heart, O God,
C **and renew a right spirit within me.**
- L** Cast me not away from Your presence,
C **and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.**
- L** Restore to me the joy of Your salvation,
C **and uphold me with a willing spirit.**
- L** Because Your steadfast love is better than life,
C **my lips will praise You.**
- L** For You have been my help,
C **and in the shadow of Your wings I will sing for joy.**
- L** Teach me Your way, O Lord, that I may walk in Your truth;
C **unite my heart to fear Your name.**
- L** I give thanks to You, O Lord my God, with my whole heart,
C **and I will glorify Your name forever.**
- L** May all who seek You rejoice and be glad in You.
C **May those who love Your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"**
- L** Save Your people and bless Your heritage!
C **Be their shepherd and carry them forever.**
- L** Give ear, O Lord, to my prayer;
C **listen to my plea for grace.**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

L Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

PRAYER

L Almighty God, You turned the heart of him who persecuted the Church and by his preaching caused the light of the Gospel to shine throughout the world. Grant us ever to rejoice in the saving light of Your Gospel and, following the example of the apostle Paul, to spread it to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER

C I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.
Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

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L Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BLESSING

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L The Lord bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life.

C Amen.

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