



Friday 28 May 2021

# Morning Song

Choral Worship to Start the Day

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## Introit    Veni Creator Spiritus    Victoria

Veni Creator Spiritus,  
Mentes tuorum visita,  
Imple superna gratia  
Quae tu creasti pectora.

*Come, Holy Ghost, Creator, come,  
From thy bright heav'nly throne,  
come, take possession of our souls,  
and make them all thine own.*

Qui paraclitus diceris,  
Donum dei altissimi,  
Fons vivus, ignis charitas,  
Et spiritalis unctio.

*Thou who art called the Paraclete,  
best gift of God above,  
the living spring, the living fire,  
sweet unction and true love.*

Hostem repellas longius,  
Pacemque dones protinus:  
Ductore sic te praeviso,  
Uitemus omne noxium.

*Far from us drive our deadly foe;  
true peace unto us bring;  
and through all perils lead us safe  
beneath thy sacred wing.*

Per te sciamus da patrem,  
Noscamus atque filium,  
Te utriusque spiritum,  
Credamus omni tempore.

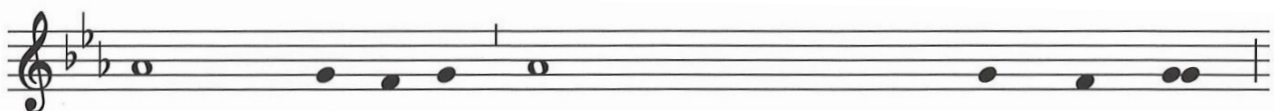
*Through thee may we the Father know,  
through thee th'eternal Son,  
and thee the Spirit of them both,  
thrice-blessed three in One.*

Gloria Patri Domino,  
Natoque, qui a mortuis  
surrexit, ac Paraclito  
in saeculorum saecula. .  
Amen

*All glory to the Father be,  
With his coequal Son;  
The same to thee, great Paraclete,  
While endless ages run.  
Amen.*

## Welcome

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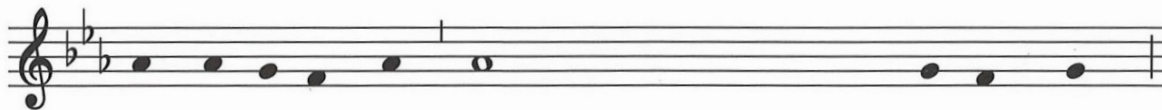
O Lord, o-pen our lips    **and our mouth shall pro-claim your praise.**



Give us the joy of your sa-ving help



**and sus-tain us with your life-giv-ing Spi-rit.**



Bless-ed is the Lord, for he has heard the voice of our prayer;



therefore shall our hearts dance for joy



and in our song will we praise our God.

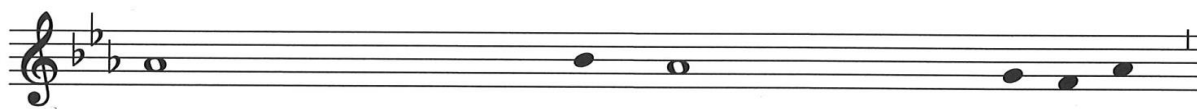
The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

*Silence is kept.*

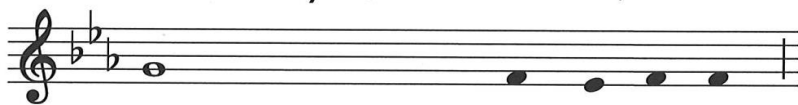
As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

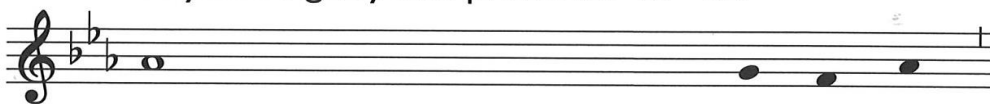
## Prayer of Thanksgiving



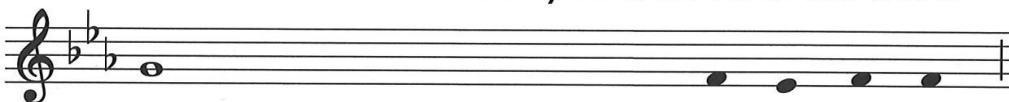
Blessèd are you, Lord our God, creator and redeem-er of all;



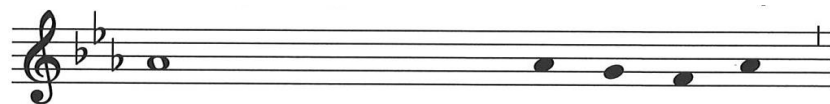
to you be glory and praise for ev - er.



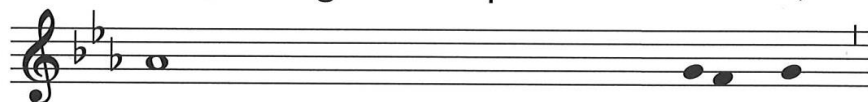
From the waters of chaos you drew forth the world



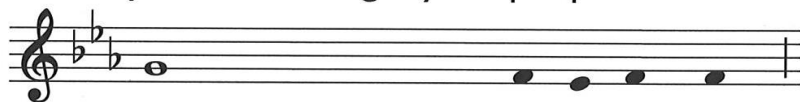
and in your great love fashioned us in your im-age.



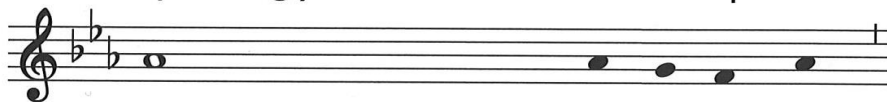
Now, through the deep wa - ters of death,



you have brought your people to new birth



by raising your Son to life in tri - umph.



May Christ your light ever dawn in our hearts



as we offer you our sacrifice of thanks and praise.



Blessèd be God, Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Spi - rit:



**Bless - ed be God for ev - er.**

## Psalmody Psalm 144

- 1 Blessed be the Lord my rock,  
who teaches my hands for war and my fingers for battle;
- 2 My steadfast help and my fortress,  
my stronghold and my deliverer,  
my shield in whom I trust,  
who subdues the peoples under me.
- 3 O Lord, what are mortals that you should consider them;  
mere human beings, that you should take thought for them?
- 4 They are like a breath of wind;  
their days pass away like a shadow.
- 5 Bow your heavens, O Lord, and come down;  
touch the mountains and they shall smoke.

- 6 Cast down your lightnings and scatter them;  
shoot out your arrows and let thunder roar.
- 7 Reach down your hand from on high;  
deliver me and take me out of the great waters,  
from the hand of foreign enemies,
- 8 Whose mouth speaks wickedness  
and their right hand is the hand of falsehood.
- 9 O God, I will sing to you a new song;  
I will play to you on a ten-stringed harp,
- 10 You that give salvation to kings  
and have delivered David your servant.
- 11 Save me from the peril of the sword  
and deliver me from the hand of foreign enemies,
- 12 Whose mouth speaks wickedness  
and whose right hand is the hand of falsehood;
- 13 So that our sons in their youth  
may be like well-nurtured plants,  
and our daughters like pillars  
carved for the corners of the temple;
- 14 Our barns be filled with all manner of store;  
our flocks bearing thousands,  
and ten thousands in our fields;
- 15 Our cattle be heavy with young:  
may there be no miscarriage or untimely birth,  
no cry of distress in our streets.
- 16 Happy are the people whose blessing this is.  
Happy are the people who have the Lord for their God.

## Old Testament Reading Job 5

‘Call now; is there anyone who will answer you? To which of the holy ones will you turn? Surely vexation kills the fool, and jealousy slays the simple. I have seen fools taking root, but suddenly I cursed their dwelling. Their children are far from safety, they are crushed in the gate, and there is no one to deliver them. The hungry eat their harvest, and they take it even out of the thorns; and the thirsty pant after their wealth. For misery does not come from the earth, nor does trouble sprout from the ground; but human beings are born to trouble just as sparks fly upward. ‘As for me, I would seek God, and to God I would commit my cause. He does great things and unsearchable, marvellous things without number. He gives rain on the earth and sends waters on the fields; he sets on high those who are lowly, and those who mourn are lifted to safety. He frustrates the devices of the crafty, so that their hands achieve no success. He takes the wise in their own craftiness; and the schemes of the wily are brought to a quick end. They meet with darkness in the daytime, and grope at noonday as in the night. But he saves the needy from the sword of their mouth, from the hand of the mighty. So the poor have hope, and injustice shuts its mouth. ‘How happy is the one whom God reproves; therefore do not despise the discipline of the Almighty. For he wounds, but he binds up; he strikes, but his hands heal. He will deliver you from six troubles; in seven no harm shall touch you. In famine he will redeem you from death, and in war from the power of the sword. You shall be hidden from the scourge of the tongue, and shall not fear destruction when it comes. At destruction and famine you shall laugh, and shall not fear the wild animals of the earth. For you shall be in league with the stones of the field, and the wild animals shall be at peace with you. You shall know that your tent is safe, you shall inspect your fold and miss nothing. You shall know that your descendants will be many, and your offspring like the grass of the earth. You shall come to your grave in ripe old age, as a shock of grain comes up to the threshing-floor in its season. See, we have searched this out; it is true. Hear, and know it for yourself.’

## Canticle Te Deum *Warren*

- 1 We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as the Lord;
- 2 all creation worships you, the Father everlasting.
- 3 To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
the cherubim and seraphim, sing in endless praise:

- 4 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
5 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
- 6 The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.
- 7 The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.  
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you:
- 8 Father, of majesty unbounded,  
your true and only Son, worthy of all praise,  
the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.
- 9 You, Christ, are the King of glory,  
the eternal Son of the Father.
- 10 When you took our flesh to set us free  
you humbly chose the Virgin's womb.
- 11 You overcame the sting of death  
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
- 12 You are seated at God's right hand in glory.  
We believe that you will come and be our judge.
- 13 Come then, Lord, and help your people,  
bought with the price of your own blood,
- 14 and bring us with your saints  
to glory everlasting.

## New Testament Reading Romans 3. 1-20

Then what advantage has the Jew? Or what is the value of circumcision? Much, in every way. For in the first place the Jews were entrusted with the oracles of God. What if some were unfaithful? Will their faithlessness nullify the faithfulness of God? By no means! Although everyone is a liar, let God be proved true, as it is written, 'So that you may be justified in your words, and prevail in your judging.' But if our injustice serves to confirm the justice of God, what should we say? That God is unjust to inflict wrath on us? (I speak in a human



way.) By no means! For then how could God judge the world? But if through my falsehood God's truthfulness abounds to his glory, why am I still being condemned as a sinner? And why not say (as some people slander us by saying that we say), 'Let us do evil so that good may come'? Their condemnation is deserved! What then? Are we any better off? No, not at all; for we have already charged that all, both Jews and Greeks, are under the power of sin, as it is written: 'There is no one who is righteous, not even one; there is no one who has understanding, there is no one who seeks God. All have turned aside, together they have become worthless; there is no one who shows kindness, there is not even one.' 'Their throats are opened graves; they use their tongues to deceive.' 'The venom of vipers is under their lips.' 'Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness.' 'Their feet are swift to shed blood; ruin and misery are in their paths, and the way of peace they have not known.' 'There is no fear of God before their eyes.' Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For 'no human being will be justified in his sight' by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.

## Gospel Canticle    Benedictus    *Plainsong*

- 1    Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel,  
     who has come to his people and set them free.
- 2    He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour,  
     born of the house of his servant David.
- 3    Through his holy prophets God promised of old  
     to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4    To show mercy to our ancestors,  
     and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5    This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:  
     to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
- 6    Free to worship him without fear,  
     holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.



- 7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,  
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation  
by the forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 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*

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.

## Prayers

*The response to the prayers is:*

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

## Lord's Prayer *Bell*

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 for ever.  
Amen.

## Collect for the Day

O Lord, from whom all good things come: grant to us your humble servants, that by your holy inspiration we may think those things that are good, and by your merciful guiding may perform the same; through our Lord Jesus Christ, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*All*   **Amen.**

## Notices

## Blessing

Anthem   If ye love me   *Tallis*

If ye love me, keep my commandments.  
And I will pray the Father,  
and he shall give you another comforter,  
that he may bide with you for ever,  
e'en the spirit of truth.

*John 14, 15-17*

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