

He fills the starving with good things, sends the rich away empty.
He protects Israel, his servant, remembering his mercy,
The mercy promised to our fathers, to Abraham and his sons for ever.
Give praise to the Father Almighty, to His Son Jesus Christ our Lord,
To the Spirit who dwells in our hearts, both now and forever, Amen.

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INTERCESSIONS

Recognising the union with other Christians which is ours through our common baptism we pray:

R. Lord in your mercy hear our prayer.

1. Father, free us from our sins of prejudice and intolerance, forgive us our lack of courage; give us a new heart, put a new spirit in us, so that we may truly recognise you as our God, and live in harmony with one another as your people. **R.**
2. We pray for all those whose ministry gives them a special share in Christ's work of teaching, sanctifying and guiding his flock. **R.**
3. Father, keep all pastors in integrity of life and tenderness of heart, so that, walking humbly before you, they may draw all who believe in you into one flock, with Christ as its chief shepherd. **R.**
4. Father, you have revealed yourself to mankind throughout the ages; give to the Jewish people, whom you first called to be your own, and to Muslims, Hindus and people of other living faiths, the fullness of revelation that comes from knowing you and your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. **R.**
5. We acknowledge that our sins and failings have created new obstacles between our fellow Christians and ourselves and left many older barriers untouched, and so we pray: **R.**
6. *Pause for those who wish to add an intercession*
7. Grant eternal rest to our beloved faithful departed. **R.**

We are united in our baptismal consecration as we pray the prayer that Jesus gave us: **OUR FATHER**

CONCLUDING PRAYER

Father, hear our prayers which we offer you through your Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit; bring us and all mankind into your kingdom where with the same Son and Holy Spirit you live and reign for ever and ever. **R. Amen.**

BLESSING

The Lord bless us, and keep us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life. **R. Amen.**

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY

EVENING PRAYER - Sunday

V. O God, come to our aid

R. O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Alleluia.

HYMN: PRAISE, MY SOUL

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
To his feet your tribute bring;
Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
Who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour,
To our fathers in distress;
Praise him still the same for ever,
Slow to chide and swift to bless,
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Fatherlike, he tends and spares us;
Well our feeble frame he knows;
In his hands he gently bears us,
Rescues us from all our foes.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Widely as his mercy flows.

Angels, help us to adore him;
Ye behold him face to face;
Sun and moon bow down before him,
Dwellers all in time and space.
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise him! Praise him!
Praise with us the God of grace.

PSALMODY

Ant. 1: Christ the Lord is a priest for ever according to the order of Melchizedek, alleluia.

The Messiah is king and priest

Psalms 109 (110): 1-5, 7

He must be king so that he will put all his enemies under his feet (1 Cor 15:25)

The Lórd's revelátion to my Máster: †
'Sit on my right:*
your fóes I will pút beneath your féet.'

The Lórd will wíeld from Síon†
your scéptre of pówer:*
rúle in the midst of all your fóes.

A prínce from the dáy of your birth†
on the hóly móuntains;*
from the wómb before the dáwn I begót you.

The Lórd has sworn an óath he will not chángé.†
'You are a priest for éver,*
a priest like Melchizedek of óld.'

The Máster stánding at your right hand*
will shatter kíngs in the dáy of his wráth.
He shall drínk from the stréam by the wáyside*
and thérefore he shall líft up his héad.



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to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts, both now and forever, Amen.
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Ant. 2: Our God is in heaven; he has power to do whatever he will, alleluia.

Praise of the God of truth

Psalms 113B (115)

Turn away from idols and worship the living and true God (1 Thess 1:9)

Not to ús, Lórd, not to ús,*
but to yóur náme give the glóry
for the sáke of your lóve and your trúth,*
lest the héathen say: 'Whére is their Gód?'

But our Gód is in the héavens,*
he dóes whatéver he wílls.
Their ídols are sílver and góld,*
the wórk of húman hánds.

They have móuths but they cánnót spéak,*
they have éyes but they cánnót sée;
they have éars but they cánnót héar,*
they have nóstrils but they cánnót sméll.

With their hánds they cánnót féel;†
with their féet they cánnót wálk.*
No sóund cómes from their thróats.
Their mákers will cóme to be líke them*
and so will áll who trúst in thém.

Sons of Ísrael, trúst in the Lórd;*
hé is their hélp and their shíeld.
Sons of Áaron, trúst in the Lórd;*
hé is their hélp and their shíeld.

You who féar him, trúst in the Lórd;*
hé is their hélp and their shíeld.
He remémbers us, and hé will bléss us;†
he will bléss the sóns of Ísrael.*
He will bléss the sóns of Áaron.

The Lord will bléss thóse who féar him,*
the líttle no léss than the gréat:
to yóu may the Lord grant íncrease,*
to yóu and áll your children.

May yóu be bléssed by the Lórd,*
the máker of héaven and éarth.
The héavens belóng to the Lórd*
but the éarth he has gíven to mén.

The déad shall not práise the Lórd,*
nor thóse who go dówn into the sílence.
But wé who líve bless the Lórd*

nów and for éver. Amén.

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to the Spirit who dwells in our hearts, both now and forever, Amen.
Ant: Our God is in heaven; he has power to do whatever he will, alleluia.

Ant. 3: Praise God, all you his servants, both great and small, alleluia.

The marriage feast of the Lamb

Canticle: Rev 19: 1-2, 5-7

Alleluia.
Salvation, glory and power belong to our God,* (Alleluia)
His judgements are true and just.
Alleluia (alleluia).

Alleluia.
Praise our God, all you his servants,* (Alleluia),
You who fear him, small and great.
Alleluia (alleluia).

Alleluia.
The Lord our God, the Almighty, reigns,* (Alleluia),
Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory.
Alleluia (alleluia).

Alleluia.
The marriage of the Lamb has come,* (Alleluia),
And his bride has made herself ready.
Alleluia (alleluia).

Alleluia.
Praise the Father, the Son and Holy Spirit, (Alleluia),
Both now and forever, Amen.
Alleluia (alleluia).

Ant. Praise God, all you his servants, both great and small, alleluia.

SCRIPTURE READING

2 Thess 2: 13-14

We feel that we must be continually thanking God for you, brothers whom the Lord loves, because God chose you as first fruits to be saved by the sanctifying Spirit and by faith in the truth. Through the Good News that we brought he called you to this so that you should share the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

SHORT RESPONSORY

R. Great is our Lord; great is his might. **Repeat R.**

V. His wisdom can never be measured. **R.** Glory be. **R.**

Magnificat ant. There was a wedding at Cana in Galilee, and Jesus was there with Mary his mother.

My soul glorifies the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God, my Saviour.
He looks on his servant in her lowliness; henceforth all ages will call me blessed.
The Almighty works marvels for me. Holy his name!
His mercy is from age to age, on those who fear him.
He puts forth his arm in strength and scatters the proud-hearted.
He casts the mighty from their thrones and raises the lowly.

