

Hymn of the Week

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Daily Prayer

For Individuals and Families

[1] The night will soon be ending;
The dawn cannot be far.
Let songs of praise ascending
Now greet the Morning Star!
All you whom darkness frightens
With guilt or grief or pain,
God's radiant Star now brightens
And bids you sing again.

[2] The One whom angels tended
Comes near, a child, to serve;
Thus God, the judge offended,
Bears all our sins deserve.
The guilty need not cower,
For God has reconciled
Through His redemptive power
All those who trust this child.

[3] The earth in sure rotation
Will soon bring morning bright,
So run where God's salvation
Glow in a stable's light.
As old as sin's perversion
Is mercy's vast design:
God brings a new creation--
This child its seal and sign.

[4] Yet nights will bring their sadness
And rob our hearts of peace,
And sin in all its madness
Around us may increase.
But now one Star is beaming
Whose rays have pierced the night:
God comes for our redeeming
From sin's oppressive might.

[5] God dwells with us in darkness
And makes the night as day;
Yet we resist the brightness
And turn from God away.
But grace does not forsake us,
However far we run.
God claims us still as children
Through Mary's infant Son.

The sign of the cross + may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

O LORD, in your strength the king rejoices, and in your salvation how greatly he exults!

You have given him his heart's desire and have not withheld the request of his lips.

For you meet him with rich blessings; you set a crown of fine gold upon his head.

He asked life of you; you gave it to him, length of days forever and ever.
(Psalm 21)

**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.**

A hymn, canticle, or psalm may be sung or spoken.

Scripture Readings for the Week:

Sun.	Isaiah 5:1-25 1 Peter 2:1-12	Thurs.	Isaiah 9:8-10:11 1 Peter 5:1-14
Mon.	Isaiah 6:1-7:9 1 Peter 2:13-25	Fri.	Isaiah 10:12-27a, 33-34 2 Peter 1:1-21
Tues.	Isaiah 7:10-8:8 1 Peter 3:1-22	Sat.	Isaiah 11:1-12:6 2 Peter 2:1-22
Wed.	Isaiah 8:9-9:7 1 Peter 4:1-19		

Lord's Prayer and Prayers for others and ourselves

Concluding prayer:

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come, that by your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by your mighty deliverance; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 103:1