

## Morning Prayer for 7<sup>th</sup> October 2020

*You may wish to light a candle while we pray*

<sup>1</sup> In you, LORD, I have taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.

Psalm 71 vs 1

### Opening Sentences

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

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

*Pause for reflection as you offer the day to God.*

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.

**Amen.**

### Psalm 71 vs 1 - 8

<sup>1</sup> In you, LORD, I have taken refuge;  
let me never be put to shame.

<sup>2</sup> In your righteousness, rescue me and deliver me;  
turn your ear to me and save me.

<sup>3</sup> Be my rock of refuge,  
to which I can always go;  
give the command to save me,  
for you are my rock and my fortress.

<sup>4</sup> Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked,  
from the grasp of those who are evil and cruel.

- <sup>5</sup> For you have been my hope, Sovereign LORD,  
my confidence since my youth.  
<sup>6</sup> From birth I have relied on you;  
you brought me forth from my mother's womb.  
I will ever praise you.  
<sup>7</sup> I have become a sign to many;  
you are my strong refuge.  
<sup>8</sup> My mouth is filled with your praise,  
declaring your splendour all day long.

**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.**

## **Bible Reading – 2 Timothy 3:10 - 17**

### **A Final Charge to Timothy**

<sup>10</sup> You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, <sup>11</sup> persecutions, sufferings—what kinds of things happened to me in Antioch, Iconium and Lystra, the persecutions I endured. Yet the Lord rescued me from all of them. <sup>12</sup> In fact, everyone who wants to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, <sup>13</sup> while evildoers and impostors will go from bad to worse, deceiving and being deceived. <sup>14</sup> But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have become convinced of, because you know those from whom you learned it, <sup>15</sup> and how from infancy you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>16</sup> All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, <sup>17</sup> so that the servant of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.

This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

## **Prayers**

Almighty and everlasting God,  
we thank you that you have brought us safely  
to the beginning of this day.  
Keep us from falling into sin  
or running into danger;  
order us in all our doings  
and guide us to do always  
what is righteous in your sight;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

Keep us, good Lord,  
under the shadow of your mercy  
in this time of uncertainty and distress.  
Sustain and support the anxious and fearful,  
and lift up all who are brought low;  
that we may rejoice in your comfort  
knowing that nothing can separate us  
from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
**Amen.**

*Space will be left for personal intercessory prayer – either silent  
or out loud.*

**Merciful Father,  
accept these prayers  
for the sake of your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.  
Amen**

We say together the prayer which Jesus taught us;

**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**

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,  
and keep us in eternal life.  
**Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*Please do stay on for virtual coffee and a catch up if you can.*



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