# Morning Prayer for 10th February 2021

You may wish to light a candle while we pray

I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; I will sing praise to my God while I have being. Psalm 104:33

### **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 104: 10 - 14 & 33 - 35

- <sup>10</sup> You make springs gush forth in the valleys; they flow between the hills,
- <sup>11</sup> giving drink to every wild animal; the wild asses quench their thirst.
- <sup>12</sup> By the streams the birds of the air have their habitation; they sing among the branches.
- <sup>13</sup> From your lofty abode you water the mountains; the earth is satisfied with the fruit of your work.
- <sup>14</sup> You cause the grass to grow for the cattle, and plants for people to use to bring forth food from the earth,

- <sup>33</sup> I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;I will sing praise to my God while I have being.
- <sup>34</sup> May my meditation be pleasing to him, for I rejoice in the Lord.
- <sup>35</sup> Let sinners be consumed from the earth, and let the wicked be no more.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Praise the Lord!

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: Ecclesiastes 3:1-7**

- <sup>1</sup> For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:
- <sup>2</sup> a time to be born, and a time to die;
  - a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
- <sup>3</sup> a time to kill, and a time to heal;
  - a time to break down, and a time to build up;
- <sup>4</sup> a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
  - a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
- <sup>5</sup> a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
  - a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
- <sup>6</sup> a time to seek, and a time to lose;
  - a time to keep, and a time to throw away;
- <sup>7</sup> a time to tear, and a time to sew;
  - a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

### **Prayers**

Almighty God, by whose grace alone we are accepted and called to your service: strengthen us by your Holy Spirit and make us worthy of our calling; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who is alive and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

#### **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.

