Morning Prayer for 9th June 2021

You may wish to light a candle while we pray

³ Trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture. Psalm 37:3

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 37:1-9

- ¹ Do not fret because of those who are evil or be envious of those who do wrong;
- ² for like the grass they will soon wither, like green plants they will soon die away.
- ³ Trust in the LORD and do good; dwell in the land and enjoy safe pasture.
- ⁴ Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.
- ⁵ Commit your way to the LORD; trust in him and he will do this:
- ⁶ He will make your righteous reward shine like the dawn, your vindication like the noonday sun.

⁷Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; do not fret when people succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes.

- 8 Refrain from anger and turn from wrath; do not fret—it leads only to evil.
- ⁹ For those who are evil will be destroyed, but those who hope in the LORD will inherit the land.

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: Luke 12:22-31

²² Then Jesus said to his disciples: "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat; or about your body, what you will wear. ²³ For life is more than food, and the body more than clothes. ²⁴ Consider the ravens: They do not sow or reap, they have no storeroom or barn; yet God feeds them. And how much more valuable you are than birds! ²⁵ Who of you by worrying can add a single hour to your life? ²⁶ Since you cannot do this very little thing, why do you worry about the rest?

²⁷ "Consider how the wildflowers grow. They do not labour or spin. Yet I tell you, not even Solomon in all his splendour was dressed like one of these. ²⁸ If that is how God clothes the grass of the field, which is here today, and tomorrow is thrown into the fire, how much more will he clothe you—you of little faith! ²⁹ And do not set your heart on what you will eat or drink; do not worry about it. ³⁰ For the pagan world runs after all such things, and your Father knows that you need them. ³¹ But seek his kingdom, and these things will be given to you as well.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Prayers

God of truth, help us to keep your law of love and to walk in ways of wisdom, that we may find true life in Jesus Christ your Son. 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.

