Morning Prayer for 1st September 2021

You may wish to light a candle while we pray

¹⁵ The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry;

Psalm 34.15

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 34, 11-18

- ¹¹ Come, my children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- ¹² Whoever of you loves life and desires to see many good days,
- ¹³ keep your tongue from evil and your lips from telling lies.
- ¹⁴ Turn from evil and do good; seek peace and pursue it.
- ¹⁵ The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry;
- ¹⁶ but the face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to blot out their name from the earth.

- ¹⁷ The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.
- ¹⁸ The LORD is close to the broken-hearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.

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 4:38-39, 42-End

- ³⁸ Jesus left the synagogue and went to the home of Simon. Now Simon's mother-in-law was suffering from a high fever, and they asked Jesus to help her.
- ³⁹ So he bent over her and rebuked the fever, and it left her. She got up at once and began to wait on them.
- ⁴² At daybreak, Jesus went out to a solitary place. The people were looking for him and when they came to where he was, they tried to keep him from leaving them.
- ⁴³ But he said, 'I must proclaim the good news of the kingdom of God to the other towns also, because that is why I was sent.'
- ⁴⁴ And he kept on preaching in the synagogues of Judea.

This is the word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Prayers

Almighty God, you search us and know us: may we rely on you in strength and rest on you in weakness, now and in all our days; 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.

