

WE PRAY AN OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

**Gracious Father, we offer with joy and thanks  
what you have first given us –  
ourselves, our time, and our possessions –  
as signs of your goodness and symbols of our love.  
Accept them for the sake of Jesus Christ,  
who offered himself for us.  
Amen.**

WE PRAY FOR OURSELVES AND THE WORLD

*Prayer response:*

Come, Lord Jesus:  
**and rule over us.**

WE PRAY THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,  
hallowed be your name,  
your kingdom come,  
your will be done,  
on earth as in heaven.  
Give us today our daily bread.  
Forgive us our sins  
as we forgive those who sin against us.  
Lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours  
now and forever. Amen.**

## God blesses us

WE GO WITH GOD

Let us praise the Lord

**Thanks be to God**

To the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honour and glory  
forever and ever. (1 Timothy 1:17)

And may the almighty Lord guide us and all we do in his peace. Amen.

**Amen.**

WE SING A HYMN/SONG

Sunday Word & Prayer

## Epiphany

### God welcomes us

WE SING A GATHERING HYMN/SONG

WE COME TO GOD

The Lord is king forever and ever.

**Come, let us worship him.**

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

**Amen**

WE CONFESS OUR SIN AND GOD FORGIVES US

Lord, I call to you for help.

**In the morning I pray to you.**

(Psalm 88:13)

I am filled with praise for you,

**and proclaim your glory all day long.**

(Psalm 71:8)

Close your eyes to my sins,

**and wipe away all my evil.**

Create a pure heart in me, O God,

**and put a new and loyal spirit within me.**

Do not banish me from your presence;

**do not take your Holy Spirit away from me.**

Give me the joy that comes from your salvation,

**and make me eager to please you.**

(Psalm 51:9-12)

Be gracious, Lord, this day,

**and keep us free from sin.**

Have mercy on us, Lord;

**have mercy on us.**

Let your goodness and love be with us,

**as we put our hope in you.**

(Psalm 33:22)

Listen to my prayer, Lord,

**and hear my cry for help.**

(Psalm 86:6)

No one who takes refuge in the Lord will be condemned.

He hears our cry and forgives us.

**Amen.**

WE SING AN EPIPHANY HYMN/SONG

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WE PRAY PSALM 98

The Lord reigns, let the earth be glad;  
let the distant shores rejoice.  
Clouds and thick darkness surround him;  
righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.  
His lightning lights up the world;  
the earth sees and trembles.

**Your kingdom come.**

The heavens proclaim his righteousness,  
and all peoples see his glory.  
All who worship images are put to shame,  
those who boast in idols.  
For you, Lord, are the Most High over all the earth;  
you are exalted far above all gods.

**Your kingdom come.**

Let those who love the Lord hate evil,  
for he guards the lives of his faithful ones.  
Light shines on the righteous  
and joy on the upright in heart.  
Rejoice in the Lord, you who are righteous,  
and praise his holy name.

**Your kingdom come.**

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WE PRAY AN EPIPHANY PRAYER

The Lord be with you  
**And also with you.**  
Let us pray. Eternal Father in heaven, thank you that, as the bright summer  
sun lights up our land, so your Son Jesus came to bring light and life to  
people. Refresh us at this time of the year, and especially give us the eternal  
joy of Jesus' presence with us. We pray in his name, for he lives and reigns  
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.  
**Amen**

## God speaks to us

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WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Hear the word of the Lord as it is written in ...  
(after the reading) This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

EPISTLE READING

Hear the word of the Lord as it is written in ...  
(after the reading) This is the word of the Lord  
**Thanks be to God**

GOSPEL READING

Hear the gospel of the Lord as it is written in ...  
(after the gospel) This is the gospel of the Lord  
**Praise be to you, O Christ**  
Since Christ was raised from death he cannot die again.  
**Let the word of Christ dwell in us richly.**

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WE SING A HYMN/SONG

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WE LISTEN TO THE ADDRESS

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WE CONFESS OUR FAITH

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, dead, and buried.  
He descended into hell.  
The third day he rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and sits at the right hand of God, the Father almighty,  
from thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic\* church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.**

\* 'catholic' here meaning 'universal'

## God receives our offering

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WE SING A HYMN/SONG AS OUR OFFERING IS RECEIVED