

All and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

One or more of the following is said or sung: a prayer, a thanksgiving or a suitable hymn,

*Blessed are you, Sovereign God, creator of all,
to you be glory and praise for ever.
You founded the earth in the beginning
and the heavens are the work of your hands.
In the fullness of time you made us in your image
and in these last days you have spoken to us
in your Son Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh.
As we rejoice in the gift of your presence among us
let the light of your love always shine in our hearts.
your Spirit ever renew our lives
and your praises ever be on our lips.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
All Blessed be God for ever.*

or A Song of God's Glorious Name

- 1 O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name
world!
- 2 Your majesty above the heavens is praised
of babes at the breast.
- 3 You have founded a stronghold against your foes
might still the enemy and the avenger.

- them with glory and honour.
- 7 You have given them dominion over the works of your hands, **temptation but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom of heaven is yours, for the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever.**
and put all things under their feet,
- 8 All sheep and oxen, even the wild beasts of the field, **Amen.**
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea and whatsoever moves
in the paths of the sea. **The Conclusion**
- 10 O Lord our governor, how glorious is your name in all the world!
**The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil, and give us
eternal life.**

Psalm 8 **All Amen.**

**All 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.**

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

This opening prayer may be said

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

Silence is kept.

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.

All Amen.

Prayers

Intercessions are offered

¶ *for the day and its tasks*

¶ *for the world and its needs*

¶ *for the Church and her life*

These responses may be used

Lord, in your mercy **hear our prayer.**

(or)

Lord, hear us. **Lord, graciously hear us.**

Silence may be kept.

The Collect of the day or the following is said

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.
All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said (here)

Each psalm or group of psalms may end with

**All 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.**

*If there are two Scripture readings, the first may be read first and the second
both may be read after the canticle.*

Canticle

*A Song of the Word of the Lord, or another suitable
example, number 35 (here), may be said*

Refrain:

**All Return to the Lord, who will have mercy on us,
who will richly pardon.**

- 1 Seek the Lord while he may be found, call upon him while
is near;
- 2 Let the wicked abandon their ways, and the unrighteous their
thoughts;
- 3 Return to the Lord, who will have mercy; to our God, who will
richly pardon.
- 4 'For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways,
my ways,' says the Lord.
- 5 'For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my thoughts
ways higher than your ways and my thoughts

return to me fruitless,

9 'But it will accomplish that which I purpose, and succeed, **and remember your holy covenant.**
the task I gave it.'

All **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.**

All **Return to the Lord, who will have mercy,
to our God, who will richly pardon.**

Scripture Reading

One or more readings appointed for the day are read.

The reading(s) may be followed by a time of silence.

*A suitable song or chant, or a responsory in this or another form,
may follow*

Lord, you will guide me with your counsel
and afterwards receive me with glory.

All **Lord, you will guide me with your counsel
and afterwards receive me with glory.**

For I am always with you; you hold me by my right hand.

All **And afterwards receive me with glory.**

Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit.

All **You show mercy to our ancestors,**

1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, who has
Isaiah 55.6- people and set them free.

2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born
of his servant David.

3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old
from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us.

4 To show mercy to our ancestors, and to remember
covenant.

5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

6 Free to worship him without fear, holy and righteous
sight all the days of our life.

7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most
High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare
his way,

8 To give his people knowledge of salvation by the
of all their sins.

9 In the tender compassion of our God the dawn
shall break upon us,

10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and
death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

All **Glory to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;**