

Evening Prayer for 7 May 2022 - Welcome

Welcome to Evening Prayer from St Mary's Cathedral in Glasgow which will be shared in cyberspace in a Zoom meeting room and led by a member of the clergy of the cathedral.

One of the things which causes some difficulty is the slight time lag between the different people speaking. This makes reciting something together a bit of a challenge and the delays would make singing something together impossible.

The service this evening will be led by 2 people – the leader and responder. These two people will keep their microphones on throughout. Everyone else will be muted for the first part of the service. Your microphone will be unmuted so that we can say the Magnificat and the Lord's Prayer together and so that you can contribute an intercession if you want to do so. Please join in aloud with all the prayers in bold, saying them with the responder.

The number of people attending will be recorded in the service book at St Mary's.

The service will begin at 1700 BST.

People will go into a waiting room first and be admitted into the main room. (This is to cope with the problem of non-participants disrupting publicly advertised zoom meetings). Please try to arrive before 5 pm.

The zoom page you are looking for is:

<https://zoom.us/j/98991830332?pwd=dW15ZXFKNUJKbnZFWmdXekREMDeYrQT09>

Meeting ID: 989 9183 0332 Password: 021197

Your microphone will be muted unless you are one of the 2 leaders.

New Life – The Lord – Saturday

O God, make speed to save us:

O Lord, make haste to help us.

**Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.**

Psalmody

With you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.

Opening - from Psalm 39

- 1 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens,*
and your faithfulness to the clouds.
- 2 **Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep;***
you save both man and beast, O Lord
- 3 How priceless is your love, O God!*
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.
- 4 **They feast upon the abundance of your house;***
you give them drink from the river of your delights.

**Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.**

Psalm 145

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my King,*
and bless your name for ever and ever.
- 2 **Every day will I bless you***
and praise your name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised;*
there is no end to his greatness.

- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another*
and shall declare your power.**
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendour of your majesty*
and all your marvellous works.
- 6 They shall speak of the might of your wondrous acts,*
and I will tell of your greatness.**
- 7 They shall publish the remembrance of your great goodness;*
they shall sing of your righteous deeds.
- 8 The Lord is gracious and full of compassion,*
slow to anger and of great kindness.**
- 9 The Lord is loving to everyone*
and his compassion is over all his works.
- 10 All your works praise you, O Lord,*
and your faithful servants bless you.**
- 11 They make known the glory of your kingdom*
and speak of your power;
- 12 That the peoples may know of your power*
and the glorious splendour of your kingdom.**
- 13 Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;*
your dominion endures throughout all ages.
- 14 The Lord is faithful in all his words*
and merciful in all his deeds.**
- 15 The Lord upholds all those who fall;*
he lifts up those who are bowed down.
- 16 The eyes of all wait upon you, O Lord,*
and you give them their food in due season.**
- 17 You open wide your hand*
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
- 18 The Lord is righteous in all his ways*
and loving in all his works.**
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19 The Lord is near to those who call upon him,*
to all who call upon him faithfully.

**20 He fulfils the desire of those who fear him,*
he hears their cry and helps them.**

21 The Lord preserves all those who love him,*
but he destroys all the wicked.

**22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the Lord;*
let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.**

**Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.**

Conclusion – from Colossians 1

1 Give thanks to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ;*
he has delivered us from the dominion of darkness.

**2 He has transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son,*
in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of our sins.**

3 He is the image of the invisible God,*
the first-born of all creation.

**4 For in him all things were created,*
in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible.**

5 He is the head of the body, the church;*
he is the beginning, the first-born from the dead.

**6 In him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,*
to reconcile all things to himself,
making peace by the blood of his cross.**

**Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.**

**With you is the well of life,
and in your light we see light.**

Readings

Colossians 3.1-17

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth, for you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life is revealed, then you also will be revealed with him in glory.

Put to death, therefore, whatever in you is earthly: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and greed (which is idolatry). On account of these the wrath of God is coming on those who are disobedient. These are the ways you also once followed, when you were living that life. But now you must get rid of all such things—anger, wrath, malice, slander, and abusive language from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have stripped off the old self with its practices and have clothed yourselves with the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge according to the image of its creator. In that renewal there is no longer Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and free; but Christ is all and in all!

As God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience. Bear with one another and, if anyone has a complaint against another, forgive each other; just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you also must forgive. Above all, clothe yourselves with love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in the one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

Matthew 4.18-25

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the lake—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, ‘Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.’ Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people. So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought to him all the sick, those who were afflicted with various diseases and pains, demoniacs, epileptics, and paralytics, and he cured them. And great crowds followed him from Galilee, the Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

Silence

Response – from Psalm 30.1

I will exalt you, O Lord, for you have lifted me up; alleluia, alleluia.

I will exalt you, O Lord, for you have lifted me up; alleluia, alleluia.

You have not let my enemies triumph over me.

Alleluia, alleluia.

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

I will exalt you, O Lord, for you have lifted me up; alleluia, alleluia.

Please unmute your microphone at this point.

Your microphone will be unmuted at this point.

Magnificat

I am the good shepherd;
says the Lord. Alleluia!

**My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord
my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,
for you, Lord, have looked with favour on your lowly servant.**

**From this day all generations will call me blessed:
You, the Almighty, have done great things for me
and holy is your name.**

**You have mercy on those who fear you
from generation to generation.**

**You have shown strength with your arm
and scattered the proud in their conceit,
casting down the mighty from their thrones
and lifting up the lowly.**

**You have filled the hungry with good things
and sent the rich away empty.**

**You have come to the aid of your servant Israel,
to remember the promise of mercy,
the promise made to our forebears,
to Abraham and his children for ever.**

**Glory to God, Source of all Being, Eternal Word and Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and shall be forever. Amen.**

I am the good shepherd;
says the Lord. Alleluia!

Prayers

Anyone can offer a prayer at this point in the service.

*Prayers may end with the bidding: Lord in your mercy – **Hear our Prayer.***

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

**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.**

**Do not bring us to the time of trial,
but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

Your microphone will be muted at this point.

Almighty God, give us grace to know you more and more, that knowing we may love and loving we may praise, that the whole world may hear your name and worship you, through Jesus Christ out Lord. **Amen**

Lord God almighty, come and dispel the darkness from our hearts, that in the radiance of your brightness we may know you, the only unfading light, glorious in all eternity. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord:

Thanks be to God!

The God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing:
through the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen.