



Morning Prayer
September 30 to October 6
Matins

- L: O Lord, open my lips,
C: and my mouth shall declare your praise
- C: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen
Alleluia! Alleluia!
- L: Give glory to God our light and our life.
C: Oh, come, let us worship him.
- C: Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth,
the heights of the hills are also his,
The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands have molded the dry land.
Oh, come, let us bow down and bend the knee,
and kneel before the Lord our maker.
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.
- Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.
- L: Give glory to God our light and our life.
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Psalms

Sept 30 Monday: 112

Lord Jesus, You are the light shining in darkness for the upright. Teach us to love one another as You love us, that we might bring peace and joy to the world and find the happiness of Your home, where You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Oct 1 Tuesday: 86

God of mercy, when Christ called out to You in torment, You heard Him and gave Him victory over death. Fill us with the love of Your name and help us to proclaim You before the world, that all peoples may celebrate Your glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Oct 2 Wednesday: 4

Lord, You consoled Your Son in His anguish and released Him from the darkness of the grave. Turn Your face toward us, that we may sleep in Your peace and rise in Your light; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Oct 3 Thursday: 27

Gracious Father, protector of those who hope in You: You heard the cry of Your Son and kept Him safe in Your shelter in the day of evil. Grant that Your servants who seek Your face in times of trouble may see Your goodness in the land of the living, through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Oct 4 Friday: 139

Lord Jesus Christ, when You descended among the dead, You brought them the light of day; when You ascended into heaven You brought it new radiance. Remain with us and lead us along the paths of life until we come to rest with Your saints in the holy dwelling place, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit You live and reign, now and forever. Amen.

Oct 5 Saturday: 111

Merciful and gentle Lord, the crowning glory of all the saints, give us, Your children, the gift of obedience, which is the beginning of wisdom,

so that we may be filled with Your mercy and that what You command we may do by the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Oct 6 Sunday: 113

Lord Jesus, surrendering the brightness of Your glory, You became mortal so that we might be raised from the dust to share Your very being. May the children of God always bless Your name from the rising of the sun to its going down, for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Lessons:

Sept 30 Monday

Esther 4:4-17

Acts 18:1-11

Luke 1:1-4; 3:1-14

Oct 1 Tuesday

Esther 5:1-14

Acts 18:12-28

Luke 3:15-22

Oct 2 Wednesday

Esther 6:1-14

Acts 19:1-10

Luke 4:1-13

Oct 3 Thursday

Esther 7:1-10

Acts 19:11-20

Luke 4:14-30

Oct 4 Friday

Esther 8:1-8, 15-17

Acts 19:21-41

Luke 4:31-37

Oct 5 Saturday

Esther 9:1-32

Acts 20:1-16

Luke 4:38-44

Oct 6 Sunday Pentecost 20

Hosea 1:1-2:1

James 3:1-13

Matthew 13:44-52

- L: In many and various ways God spoke to His people of old by the prophets.
- C: But now in these last days He has spoken to us by His Son.
- C: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty Savior,
born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old that
he would save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all who hate us.
He promised to show mercy to our fathers
and to remember his holy covenant.
This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,
free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
- L: You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
to give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of their sins.
In the tender compassion of our God,
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of
death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.
- C: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Prayer of the day:

Sept 30 Monday

Almighty and eternal God, Father of the world to come, Your goodness is beyond what our spirit can touch and Your strength is more than the mind can bear. Lead us to seek beyond our reach and give us the courage to stand before Your truth. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Oct 1 Tuesday

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Oct 2 Wednesday

O God, the Strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully accept our prayer, and because through the weakness of our mortal nature we can do no good thing without Your aid, grant us the help of Your grace that, keeping Your commandments, we may please You in both will and deed; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Oct 3 Thursday

O blessed Jesus, You know the impurity of our affection, the narrowness of our sympathy, and the coldness of our love; take possession of our souls and fill our minds with the image of Yourself, break the stubbornness of our selfish wills and mold us in the likeness of Your unchanging love, O You who alone can do this, our Savior, our Lord and our God. Amen.

Oct 4 Friday

Thou hast brought us to this place, O God, by all our several ways, even keeping faith with us, for all our unfaithfulness. Go before us still, we beseech Thee, by Thy Word and Spirit, leading us from this day forth where it shall please Thee. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Amen.

Oct 5 Saturday

O Lord, heavenly Father, in whom is the fullness of light and wisdom, enlighten our minds by Your Holy Spirit, and give us grace to receive Your Word with reverence and humility, without which no one can understand Your truth. For Christ's sake. Amen.

Oct 6 Sunday **Pentecost 20**

Lord, our help and guide, make Your love the foundation of our lives. May our love for You express itself in our eagerness to do good for

others. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

L: O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have brought us in safety to this new day; preserve us with You mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome in adversity; in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of Your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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, and the power and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord almighty bless us,
and direct our days and our deeds in his peace.

C: Amen.

Morning Prayer from LBW and *For All the Saints*

*For 200 years St. John's has been a bright
beacon of Christ's light and life for the world.*

*200 years and the work continues:
That all might know
Christ's Love.*

*AS WE REFLECT ON JESUS'
DEATH/RESURRECTION AND GOD'S
UNMATCHED GENEROSITY
TOWARDS US AND ALL CREATION,
WE REALIZE IT'S ONLY BY HIS
GRACE/FORGIVENESS THAT I CAN
EVEN WRITE OR SPEAK ABOUT
GENEROSITY—FOR HIS GENEROSITY
IS BOTH PERFECT AND COMPLETE
IN EVERY WAY.*

**God Loves you so very
much!**

*ST. JOHN'S IS A GROUP OF SINNERS
WHO HAVE BEEN CLAIMED BY GOD
TO GATHER IN THIS PLACE TO
WORSHIP HIM,
TO LEARN ABOUT HIM,
TO BASK IN HIS LOVE,*

*TO SHARE HIS LOVE WITH EACH
OTHER,
AND TO SPREAD THAT LOVE WITH
THE WORLD.*

GRACE
happens



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