



**Morning Prayer**  
**September 23 to September 29**

*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 23 Monday: 97

God our king, You clothe the sky with light and the depths of the ocean with darkness. Among the peoples You work wonders, and rain terror upon Your enemies. Do not try Your servants by fire, but bring us rejoicing to the shelter of Your home, where with your Son and the Holy Spirit You live and reign, now and forever. Amen.

Sept 24 Tuesday: 30

God our Father, glorious in giving life and even more glorious in restoring it: In His last night on earth Your Son knew anguish and deep sorrow, Do not turn away from us, or we shall fall back into dust; but rather turn our mourning into joy by raising us up with Your Son, Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sept 25 Wednesday: 48

Father, the body of Your risen Son is the temple not made by human hands and the bulwark of the new Jerusalem. Make this holy city, built of living stones, so shine with spiritual radiance that it may show Your greatness in the sight of all nations; for this sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sept 26 Thursday: 80

Lord God, You so tend the vine You planted that now it extends its branches even to the farthest shore. Keep us in Your Son as branched on the vine, that, rooted firmly in Your love, we may testify before the whole world to Your great power working everywhere; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sept 27 Friday: 32

Lord God, You desired to keep from us Your wrath and so did not spare Your holy servant Jesus Christ, who was wounded for our sins. We are Your prodigal children, but we come back to You confessing our sins. Embrace us, that we may rejoice in Your mercy together with Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sept 28 Saturday: 118

Lord God, Your Son, rejected by the builders, has become the cornerstone of the Church. Shed rays of Your glory upon Your Church, that it may be seen as the gate of salvation open to all nations. Let cries of joy and exultation ring out from its courts to celebrate the wonder of Christ's resurrection, now and forever. Amen.

Sept 29 Sunday: 81

Almighty Father, You rescued Your people from slavery and, through the Passion of Your Son, acquired a new people united in His body and marked with the sign of His holiness. Feed us with Your finest bread so that we may have food for this life and a foretaste of eternity, where You live and reign with Your Son and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Lessons:

Sept 23 Monday

Job 40:1-24

Acts 15:36-16:5

John 11:55-12:8

Sept 24 Tuesday

Job 40:1; 41:1-11

Acts 16:6-15

John 12:9-19

Sept 25 Wednesday

Job 42:1-17

Acts 16:16-24

John 12:20-26

Sept 26 Thursday

Job 28:1-28

Acts 16:25-40

John 12:27-36a

Sept 27 Friday

Esther 1:1-4, 10-19

Acts 17:1-15

John 12:36b-43

Sept 28 Saturday

Esther 2:5-8, 15-23

Acts 17:16-34

John 12:44-50

Sept 29 Sunday **Pentecost 19**

Esther 3:1-4:3

James 1:19-27

Matthew 6:1-6, 16-18

OR

Sept 29 Sunday **St Michael and all Angels**

Daniel 12:1-3

Hebrews 1:1-14

Mark 13:21-27

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 23 Monday

Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, in Your unbounded mercy You have revealed the beauty of Your power through Your constant forgiveness of our sins. May the power of this love be in our hearts to bring Your pardon and Your kingdom to all we meet. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sept 24 Tuesday

O God, because without You we are not able to please You, mercifully grant that Your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sept 25 Wednesday

Keep, we pray You , O Lord, Your Church with Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, keep us ever by Your help from all things hurtful, and lead us to all things profitable to our salvation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Sept 26 Thursday

Almighty God, You who call me to prayer, and who offer Yourself to all who seek Your face, pour out Your Holy Spirit upon me today and deliver me from coldness of heart, a wandering mind, and wrongful desire. By the power of Your spirit place within me steadfast love and devotion, so that today I may worship and serve You with all of my life; through Jesus Christ my Lord. Amen.

Sept 27 Friday

Show us, O God, as much of Thy purpose, because we have it, as shall steady us. We do not ask that the way be made smooth, or ever that thou wouldst bestow upon us now the strength which thou hast promised, We ask only for the grace to use what Thou hast already provided in Christ Jesus . Amen.

Sept 28 Saturday

Lord God, Heavenly Father, from Whom we receive without ceasing all manner of good so superabundantly, and by Whom we are protected daily from all evil so graciously, we pray Thee, grant us to acknowledge all this through Thy Spirit with our whole heart in true faith, so that we may thank and praise Thy blessed goodness and mercy both now and eternally; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen.

Sept 29 Sunday **Pentecost 19**

Father, Your love for us surpasses all our hopes and desires. Forgive our failings, keep us in Your peace and lead us in the way of salvation. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Or

Sept 29 **St Michael and all Angels**

Everlasting God, You have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals: Mercifully grant that as Your holy angels always serve and worship You in heaven, so by Your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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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