

## *The Benefice of Shrivenham and Ashbury*

*Morning Prayer from the Daily Office, SSF, for Tuesdays in Ordinary Time* ↑

### **The Preparation**

O Lord, open our lips  
**and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**  
Reveal among us the light of your presence,  
**that we may behold your power and glory**

**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.**

### **The Opening Canticle: A Song of the King's Glory**

- 1 The earth is the Lord's and all that fills it, ♦  
the compass of the world and all who dwell therein.
- 2 For he has founded it upon the seas ♦  
and set it firm upon the rivers of the deep.
- 3 'Who shall ascend the hill of the Lord, ♦  
or who can rise up in his holy place?'
- 4 'Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, ♦  
who have not lifted up their soul to an idol,  
nor sworn an oath to a lie;
- 5 'They shall receive a blessing from the Lord, ♦  
a just reward from the God of their salvation.'
- 6 Such is the company of those who seek him, ♦  
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
- 7 Lift up your heads, O gates;  
be lifted up, you everlasting doors; ♦  
and the King of glory shall come in.
- 8 'Who is the King of glory?' ♦  
'The Lord, strong and mighty,  
the Lord who is mighty in battle.'
- 9 Lift up your heads, O gates;  
be lifted up, you everlasting doors; ♦  
and the King of glory shall come in.
- 10 'Who is this King of glory?' ♦  
'The Lord of hosts,  
he is the King of glory.'

*Psalm 24*

**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.**

*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.  
**Amen.**

## **The Word of God**

The Psalmody is said as appointed

*Each psalm or group of psalms may end with*

**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.**

## **Scripture Reading**

**The Second Canticle: A Song of Peace,**

**Spirit of God, teach us your ways,  
that we may walk in the paths of peace.**

- 1 Come, let us go up to the mountain of God, ♦  
to the house of the God of Jacob;
- 2 That God may teach us his ways, ♦  
and that we may walk in his paths.
- 3 For the law shall go out from Zion, ♦  
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
- 4 God shall judge between the nations, ♦  
and shall mediate for many peoples.

- 5 They shall beat their swords into ploughshares, ♦  
and their spears into pruning hooks.
- 6 Nation shall not lift up sword against nation, ♦  
neither shall they learn war any more.
- 7 O people of Jacob, come: ♦  
let us walk in the light of the Lord.

*Isaiah 2.3-5*

**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.**

**Spirit of God, teach us your ways,  
that we may walk in the paths of peace.**

### **Scripture Reading**

*A responsory in this or another form, may be said*

Now it is time to awake out of sleep  
**for the night is far spent and the day is at hand**  
Now is our salvation nearer than when we first believed  
**for the night is far spent.**  
Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness  
and put on the armour of light  
**for the day is at hand**  
Put on the Lord Jesus Christ  
and make no provision for the flesh,  
**for the night is far spent and the day is at hand**

*From Romans 13*

### **The Gospel Canticle: Benedictus (The Song of Zechariah)**

**In your tender compassion, O God,  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us.**

- 1 Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, ♦  
who has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, ♦  
born of the house of his servant David.
- 3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old ♦  
to save us from our enemies,  
from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4 To show mercy to our ancestors, ♦  
and to remember his holy 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 in his 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 forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God ♦  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, ♦  
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

*Luke 1.68-79*

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and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

**In your tender compassion, O God,  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us.**

### **The Prayers**

*Intercessions may be offered; the Kyries may be used as responses to intercession*

Lord have mercy  
**Lord have mercy**

Christ have mercy  
**Christ have mercy**

Lord have mercy  
**Lord have mercy**

**The Collect of the day** *or the following is said*

Eternal God and Father,  
you create and redeem us by the power of your love:  
guide and strengthen us by your Spirit,  
that we may give ourselves in love and service  
to one another and to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

## **The Lord's Prayer** *may be said*

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

**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 for ever.  
Amen.**

## **The Conclusion**

**The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,  
and keep us in eternal life. Amen.**

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

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