



Prayer During the Day

Easter Season

Tuesday, 23 April 2024

George, Martyr, Patron of England, c.304

Preparation

O God, make speed to save us.

All

O Lord, make haste to help us.

If I climb up to heaven, you are there;

All

if I make the grave my bed, you are there also.

Psalm 139.7

Praise

A hymn, song, canticle, extempore praise or

Yesterday I was crucified with Christ;

today I am glorified with him.

Yesterday I was dead with Christ;

today I am sharing in his resurrection.

Yesterday I was buried with him;

today I am waking with him from the sleep of death.

Gregory of Nazianzus (389)

The Word of God

Psalmody

Either, Tuesday Psalm 66.1-11

(or)

Or, on any day Psalm 118.14-24

Alternatively, when Morning and Evening Prayer are also celebrated, [one of these cycles](#) may be followed.

Psalm 66

Refrain: All the earth shall worship you, O Lord.

1 Be joyful in God, all the earth; □

sing the glory of his name;

sing the glory of his praise.

2 Say to God, 'How awesome are your deeds! □

Because of your great strength

your enemies shall bow before you.

3 'All the earth shall worship you, □

sing to you, sing praise to your name.'

4 Come now and behold the works of God, □

how wonderful he is in his dealings with humankind.

5 He turned the sea into dry land;

the river they passed through on foot; □

there we rejoiced in him.

6 In his might he rules for ever;

his eyes keep watch over the nations; □

let no rebel rise up against him.

7 Bless our God, O you peoples; □

make the voice of his praise to be heard,

8 Who holds our souls in life □

and suffers not our feet to slip.

9 For you, O God, have proved us; □

you have tried us as silver is tried.

10 You brought us into the snare; □

you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

11 You let enemies ride over our heads;

we went through fire and water; □

but you brought us out into a place of liberty.

Refrain: All the earth shall worship you, O Lord.

How generous is your goodness, O God,

how great is your salvation,

(or)

Psalm 118.14-24

Refrain: I will give thanks to you,
for you have become my salvation.

14 The Lord is my strength and my song, □
and he has become my salvation.

15 Joyful shouts of salvation □
sound from the tents of the righteous:

16 'The right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds;
the right hand of the Lord raises up; □
the right hand of the Lord does mighty deeds.'

17 I shall not die, but live □
and declare the works of the Lord.

18 The Lord has punished me sorely, □
but he has not given me over to death.

19 Open to me the gates of righteousness, □
that I may enter and give thanks to the Lord.

20 This is the gate of the Lord; □
the righteous shall enter through it.

21 I will give thanks to you, for you have answered me □
and have become my salvation.

22 The stone which the builders rejected □
has become the chief cornerstone.

23 This is the Lord's doing, □
and it is marvellous in our eyes.

24 This is the day that the Lord has made; □
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Refrain: I will give thanks to you,
for you have become my salvation.

Saving God,
open the gates of righteousness,
that your pilgrim people may enter
and be built into a living temple

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.**

Short readings

Either, Tuesday

So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and, as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven.

1 Corinthians 15.42-44a, 47-49

Or, on any day in Easter

Jesus said, 'This is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day.'

John 6.39

Response

Silence, study, song, or words from Scripture, such as

All

Blessed are the peacemakers,
for they will be called children of God.

Matthew 5.9

Prayers

Prayers may include these concerns:

- ¶ *The people of God, that they may proclaim the risen Lord*
- ¶ *God's creation, that the peoples of the earth may meet their responsibility to care*
- ¶ *Those in despair and darkness, that they may find the hope and light of Christ*
- ¶ *Those in fear of death, that they may find faith through the resurrection*
- ¶ *Prisoners and captives*

A form of intercession found [here](#) may be used.

Either, the following prayer is said

Christ yesterday and today,
the beginning and the end,
Alpha and Omega,
all time belongs to you,
and all ages;
to you be glory and power
through every age and for ever.

All

Amen.

from the Easter Vigil

Or, the Collect of the day is said

God of hosts,
who so kindled the flame of love
in the heart of your servant George
that he bore witness to the risen Lord
by his life and by his death:
give us the same faith and power of love
that we who rejoice in his triumphs
may come to share with him the fullness of the resurrection;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.
All Amen.

The Lord's Prayer is said.

(Either)

As our Saviour taught us, so we pray

All

**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.**

(or)

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

All

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be 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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever.
Amen.**

The Conclusion

May the risen Christ give us his peace.

All

Alleluia. Amen.

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