

Daily Prayer for Wednesday

Theme Creation

The heavens declare your glory, the skies exalt your name,
and though no anthems are sung, no sermons written
or candles lit, within the beauty of dawn's breaking chorus,
sun rising, stars at night, lies more theology than any hymn that we could sing.
So we behold your glory, and in our hearts join with the heavens in rejoicing.

Preparation

We commend ourselves and our prayers to God,

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

That this day and all our days
may be full of God's praise,
let us pray with one heart and mind.

We keep a short time of silence to recall God's presence with us.

Almighty God, by whose grace alone we are accepted and called to your service:
strengthen us by your Holy Spirit,
and make us worthy of our calling,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

The Word of God

Psalm 119.1-8. Rejoicing in God's Way

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes.

Blessed are those whose way is pure,
who walk in the law of the Lord.

Blessed are those who keep his testimonies
and seek him with their whole heart,
Those who do no wickedness,
but walk in his ways.

You, O Lord, have charged that we should diligently keep your commandments.

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes.

O that my ways were made so direct
that I might keep your statutes.
Then should I not be put to shame,
because I have regard for all your commandments.
I will thank you with an unfeigned heart,
when I have learned your righteous judgements.
I will keep your statutes;
O forsake me not utterly.

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes.

**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.**

Isaiah 43 (selected verses) God makes a Way for us

I will make a way in the wilderness,
and rivers in the desert.

'I am the Lord, your Holy One,
the Creator of Israel, your King.'

Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea,
a path in the mighty waters,

'Remember not the former things,
nor consider the things of old.

'Behold, I am doing a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?

'I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert,

to give drink to my chosen people,

'The people whom I formed for myself,
that they might declare my praise.'

**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.**

**I will make a way in the wilderness,
and rivers in the desert.**

Psalm 130 Waiting for Divine Redemption

Out of the depths I cry to you, O LORD, Lord, hear my voice!

Let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication!

If you, O LORD, should mark what is done amiss,

Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope;

my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning,
more than those who watch for the morning.

O Israel, hope in the LORD! For with the LORD there is steadfast love,

and with him is great power to redeem.

It is he who will redeem Israel from all their sins.

Psalm 131 A Song of Quiet Trust

O Lord my heart is not lifted up, my eyes are not raised too high;

I do not occupy myself with things too great and too marvellous for me.

But I have calmed and quieted my soul, like a weaned child with its mother;

my soul is like the weaned child that is with me.

O Israel, hope in the Lord from this time on and forevermore.

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

The earth is the Lords, and everything in it.
For the wonder of creation, for the beauty of our earth,
for wisdom and courage to care enough to change our ways.

We Take a moment to listen to the still small voice of God within the bustle of the day which has begun. Finding a quiet place where we can enjoy precious moments of peace in God's presence. Sit quietly and listen to the sounds of the world around you, both outside and in the place where you are. Breathe slowly and rest in God's presence.

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
and be not wise in your own sight.**

In all your ways acknowledge him
and he will make straight your paths.

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
and be not wise in your own sight.**

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

**Trust in the Lord with all your heart;
and be not wise in your own sight.**

We say the prayer Jesus taught us
**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.**

Affirming the Way

As we follow the Way of Life,
we affirm the presence of God among us,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

God calls us to journey 'up', sharing in worship and prayer.
Jesus said, God is spirit and whoever worships must worship in spirit and in truth.
Jesus, you are the Way: guide us on our journey.

God calls us to journey 'in', sharing in the transformation of Christ.
Jesus said, Remain in me, and I will remain in you.
Jesus, you are the Way: guide us on our journey.

God calls us to journey 'with', sharing in love and fellowship.
Jesus said, Where two or three are gathered in my name,
I am there among them.
Jesus, you are the Way: guide us on our journey.

God calls us to journey 'out', sharing his love in deeds and words.

Jesus said, go and make disciples of all nations.

Jesus, you are the Way: guide us on our journey.

Eternal God, your Son Jesus Christ
is the way, the truth and the life for all creation:
grant us grace to walk in his way,
to rejoice in his truth,
and to share his risen life;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

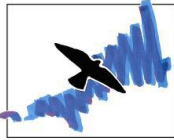
The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,
and lead us in the Way of Life.

Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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