

Morning Prayer in the weeks before Lent

As we begin the countdown to Lent, we reflect on the teaching, miracles and transfiguration of Jesus.



The Miraculous Catch of Fish

Gathering

An informal welcome is given.

O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

The light and peace of Jesus Christ be with you
And also with you.

Christ has brought us out of darkness
To dwell in his marvellous light.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God forever.

Psalm 139

Where can I go from your spirit? Or where can I
flee from your presence?

**If I ascend to heaven, you are there; if I make
my bed in Sheol, you are there.**

If I take the wings of the morning and settle at
the farthest limits of the sea;

**Even there your hand shall lead me, and your
right hand shall hold me fast.**

If I say, 'Surely the darkness shall cover me, and
the light around me become night';

**Even the darkness is not dark to you; the night
is as bright as the day, for darkness is as light
to you.**

**Glory to God the Source of all being,
Eternal Word and Holy Spirit, as it was in the
beginning, is now and shall be forever.
Amen.**

Reading from Scripture

This may be followed by a brief reflection.



The Beatitudes

A Response

The sun shall no longer be your light by day,
nor shall the moon give light to you by night;

**But the Lord will be your everlasting light, and
your God will be your glory.**

The sun shall no more go down, or the moon withdraw itself;

For the Lord will be your everlasting light, and your days of mourning shall be ended.

Your people shall all be righteous; they shall possess the land forever;

They are the shoot that I planted, the work of my hands, so that I might be glorified. Amen.

A Time of Open Prayer

Please take a moment to hold before God the people and things on your heart today.



Jesus Calms the Storm

The Collect

Almighty God, we thank you for the gift of your holy word. May it be a lantern to our feet and a light upon our paths. Use us to love and serve all people in the power of the Holy Spirit and in the name of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



The Transfiguration

The Lord's Prayer

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.**

Dismissal

May the peace of Christ be with us wherever we may go. May he guide us through the wilderness and protect us in the storm. May he send us home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown us. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.