

# The Penitential Rite

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The sacrifice of God is a broken spirit: a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise. *Psalm 51.18*

**Or**

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found, call upon him when he draws near; let the wicked forsake their ways, and the evil ones their thoughts; and let them return to the Lord, and he will have compassion, and to our God, for he will richly pardon. *Isaiah 55.6, 7*

**Or**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God is faithful and just, and will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1.8, 9*

Dear friends in Christ, as we prepare to worship almighty God, let us with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Silence is kept*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us, that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy upon you,  
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,  
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,  
and keep you in eternal life;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

# Morning Prayer

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Lord, open our lips,  
**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**  
O God, make speed to save us.  
**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

## The Invitatory

1 God rules over all the earth: O come, let us worship.

2 The Lord is in his holy temple: O come, let us worship.

3 The Lord is our refuge and strength: O come, let us worship.

4 The Lord is our light and our life: O come, let us worship.

## Advent

5 The kingdom of God is at hand: O come, let us worship.

## Incarnation

6 To us a child is born: O come, let us worship.

7 The Word was made flesh and dwelt among us:  
O come, let us worship.

## Lent

8 The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us worship.

## Passion

9 Christ became obedient unto death: O come, let us worship.

**Easter**

10 Alleluia! The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us worship.

**Ascension**

11 Alleluia! The Sun of righteousness has risen: O come, let us worship.

**Pentecost**

12 Alleluia! The Spirit of the Lord renews the face of the earth:  
O come, let us worship.

**Trinity**

13 Holy, holy, holy, is the Lord God almighty: O come, let us worship.

**Saints' Days**

14 The Lord is glorious in his saints: O come, let us worship.

**Venite**

*Psalm 95.1-7*

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, \*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his for he made it, \*  
and his hands have moulded the dry land.

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. \*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

**Jubilate**  
*Psalm 100*

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Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his name.

For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

**The Readings**

**Sermon**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Intercessions and Thanksgivings (Prayers of the People)**

And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
**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.**

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

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

***Or***

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

***Or***

May the God of peace enable us to do his will in every kind of goodness, working in us what pleases him, through Jesus Christ, to whom be the glory for ever and ever. **Amen.**

***Or***

The Lord bless us and keep us. The Lord make his face shine on us and be gracious to us. The Lord look upon us with favour and grant us peace. **Amen.**