

*Morning Prayer
of Thanksgiving*



Invitatory

Leader: Lord, open my lips

ALL: and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Leader: God, come to my assistance.

ALL: Lord, make haste to help me.

Leader: Glory to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

ALL: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Morning Hymn “Morning Has Broken”

Morning has broken, like the first morning, blackbird has spoken, like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning!

Praise for them springing, fresh from the Word.

Sweet the rain’s new fall, sunlit from heaven, like the first dewfall on the first grass. Praise for the sweetness of the wet garden, sprung in completeness where his feet pass.

Mine is the sunlight! Mine is the morning born of the one light Eden saw play! Praise with elation! Praise ev’ry morning, God’s re-creation of the first day.

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Opening Prayer

Psalmody

Psalm 95

“If Today”

Trevor Thomson

Refrain

If to-day you hear God's voice, hard-en

to Verses Last time

not your hearts. Hard-en not your hearts.

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Psalm Prayer

Psalm 118

“Give Thanks to the Lord” Steve Angrisano & Brian Green

Refrain

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is ev-
- er - last - ing. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
he is good, to Coda ⊕

1, 4 to Refrain | 2, 3 to Verses

he is good.

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves. The first staff is the Refrain, which is repeated. The second staff continues the melody. The third staff ends with a Coda symbol. The fourth staff includes a double bar line with repeat signs and a box containing '1, 4 to Refrain' and '2, 3 to Verses', indicating where the piece can be repeated or directed to other parts of the service.

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Scripture Reading

Colossians 3:12-17

Responsory

For life that reminds us how fragile we are
and also how strong we can be: **We thank you, O God.**
For sheltering that urges us
to rediscover what truly matters: **We thank you, O God.**
For communication that allows us
to connect in ways new and old: **We thank you, O God.**
And for mindfulness that shows us
how much we rely on one another: **We thank you, O God.**

GOSPEL CANTICLE

“Blessed Be the God of Israel”

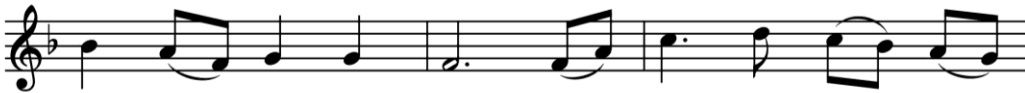
FOREST GREEN



1. Bless'd be the God of Is - ra - el, the ev - er -
2. Through ho - ly proph - ets did he speak his word from
3. Of old he swore his sol - emn oath to fa - ther
4. O ti - ny child, your name shall be the proph - et
5. The ris - ing Sun shall shine on us to bring the



1. liv - ing Lord, who comes in pow'r to save his own, his
2. days of old, that he would save us from our foes and
3. A - bra - ham: from him a might - y race should spring, one
4. of the Lord; the way for God you shall pre - pare to
5. light of day to all who sit in dark - est night and



1. peo - ple Is - ra - el. For Is - ra - el you
2. all who bear us ill. On Si - na - i he
3. bless'd for ev - er - more. He swore to set his
4. make his com - ing known. You shall pro - claim to
5. shad - ow of the grave. Our foot - steps God shall



1. now raise up sal - va - tion's tow'r on high in Da - vid's
2. gave to us his cov - e - nant of love; so with us
3. peo - ple free from fear of ev - ery foe that we might
4. Is - ra - el sal - va - tion's dawn - ing day, when God shall
5. safe - ly guide to walk the ways of peace. His name for



1. house, who reigned as king and ser - vant of the Lord.
2. now he keeps his word in love that knows no end.
3. serve him all our days in good - ness, love, and peace.
4. wipe a - way our sins in his re - deem - ing love.
5. ev - er - more be bless'd who lives and loves and saves.

Note: The word “Sinai” is pronounced in the old-fashioned way as three syllables: “Sigh-knee-igh”.

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Music: Trad. English melody; collected and adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958.

Intercessory Prayer

LEADER: Loving God, you created this sacred season of Autumn . .
Lord, we pray

ALL: Teach us thankfulness and contentment.

READER: Autumn is the season of retirement Lord, we pray .

ALL: Teach us thankfulness and satisfaction.

READER: We live in a society that is ever-restless Lord, we
pray. . . .

ALL: Teach us thankfulness and appreciation.

READER: As Autumn, takes pleasure in its great bounty. . Lord, we
pray. . . .

ALL: Teach us thankfulness and peace.

READER: We pray this evening for all who find thankfulness
difficult Lord, we pray

ALL: Teach us thankfulness and compassion.

LORD'S PRAYER

CLOSING PRAYER

BLESSING

Closing Song

“Grateful”

Tom Tomaszek



Grate-ful for the life you give us, thank-ful
Grate-ful for the Bread of Heav - en, thank-ful



for your Ho - ly Son, joy - ful in your
for your Ho - ly Word, joy - ful in your



Spir - it flow - ing o - ver all, O God of Love.
mer - cy flow - ing,



we will praise you. we will praise you.



1. You are more than we i - mag - ine, An - cient, Ho - ly, Liv -
2. May our lives pro - claim your jus - tice, may our voic - es sing



1. - ing Lord. E - ven when we doubt your pres -
2. your praise. May our hands work in your ser -



1. - ence you are faith - ful to your word.
2. - vice to the glo - ry of your name.

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