

# Morning Prayer

## Ordinary Time



**GRACE CHURCH**

an Episcopal Community in the Southern Berkshires

**Grace Church Chapel  
and on Zoom**

*Officiant* When anyone is united to Christ, there is a new world; the old order has gone, and a new order has already begun.

2 Corinthians 5:17

### ***The Preparation***

*Officiant* Great is the Lord and worthy of all praise.

*People* **Amen! Praise and glory and wisdom,  
thanksgiving and honor, power and might,  
be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.**

*Officiant*

Brothers and sisters in Christ,  
let us praise and worship God who has called us together.

Let us celebrate God's majesty,  
and delight in the wonder of God's love.

Together we shall confess our sins  
and receive assurance that we are forgiven.

As the scriptures are read,  
we can allow God's word to speak to us,  
and ponder its meaning for our lives.

In our prayers, we give thanks for God's goodness,  
we pray for others as well as for ourselves,  
and we offer our lives anew in Christ's service.

All this we do,  
because we believe in the presence among us  
of our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and in the mighty power of the Holy Spirit.

*Officiant* Hear these words of scripture.  
Love one another, for love is of God,  
and whoever loves is born of God and knows God.

*People* **Spirit of God, search our hearts.**

*Officiant* Let us kneel and, in silence,  
remember our need for God's forgiveness.

*Silence*

*Officiant* Let us confess our sins to God.

*People*      **Almighty and merciful God,  
we have sinned against you,  
in thought, word and deed.  
We have not loved you with all our heart.  
We have not loved others  
as our Savior Christ loves us.  
We are truly sorry.  
In your mercy forgive what we have been,  
help us to amend what we are,  
and direct what we shall be;  
that we may delight in your will  
and walk in your ways,  
through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

*Officiant*      Almighty God, who pardons all who truly repent,  
forgive our sins, strengthen us by the Holy Spirit,  
and keep us in life eternal;  
through Jesus Christ our Redeemer.  
**Amen.**

### ***The Ministry of the Word***

*Officiant*      O come, let us sing to the Lord,  
*People*      **let us rejoice in the rock of our salvation.**

*Officiant*      We sing to you, O God, and bless your name;  
*People*      **and tell of your salvation from day to day.**

*Officiant*      We proclaim your glory to the nations,  
*People*      **your praise to the ends of the earth.**

### ***The Psalm***

*The Psalm is now read followed by:*

*People*      **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.**

### ***The Readings***

### ***The Reflection***

### ***The Prayers***

*Officiant*      Jesus said when two or three are gathered I am with you.

Please join us with your hopes and thanksgivings ending your prayer with 'Lord in your mercy' And the community will reply:  
Hear our prayer.

*The people offer prayers*

### ***The Peace***

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **The Lord bless you.**

*Officiant* As our Savior Christ has taught us, we pray

*People*

**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.**

**Save us from the time of trial**

**and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours**

**now and for ever. Amen.**

*Officiant*

Holy and everliving God,

by your power we are created

and by your love we are redeemed;

guide and strengthen us by your Spirit,

that we may give ourselves to your service,

and live each day in love to one another and to you,

through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*People*

**Amen.**

### **The Dismissal**

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**The almighty and merciful God bless us**

**and keep us now and for ever. Amen.**

*Officiant*

Go now to love and serve the Lord. Go in peace.

*People*

**Amen. We go in the name of Christ.**