# ANGLICAN PRAYER SERVICE

Morning Prayer for

The March for Life

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# Daily Morning Prayer

HYMN: PRAISE TO THE LORD, THE ALMIGHTY

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation! O my soul, praise Him, for He is thy health and salvation! All ye who hear, now to His temple draw near; Joining in glad adoration.

Praise to the Lord, oe'r all things so wondrously reigneth, Shelters thee under His wings, and so gently sustaineth! Hast thou not seen how all thy longings have been Granted in what He ordaineth?

Praise the Lord (x4)

Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy work and defend thee; Surely His goodness and mercy shall ever attend thee. Ponder anew what the Almighty can do, Who with His love doth befriend thee.

Praise the Lord (x4)

Praise to the Lord, O let all that is in me adore Him! All that hath life and breath, come now with praises before Him. Let the Amen sound from His people again, Gladly forever adore Him.

Praise the Lord (x4)

Let the Amen sound from His people again, Gladly forever adore Him.

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#### HYMN: 10,000 REASONS (BLESS THE LORD)

#### Chorus

Bless the Lord O my soul, O my soul Worship His holy name Sing like never before, O my soul I'll worship Your holy name

The sun comes up it's a new day dawning It's time to sing Your song again
Whatever may pass and whatever lies before me Let me be singing when the evening comes

#### Chorus

You're rich in love and You're slow to anger Your name is great and Your heart is kind For all Your goodness I will keep on singing Ten thousand reasons for my heart to find

#### Chorus

And on that day when my strength is failing The end draws near and my time has come Still my soul will sing Your praise unending Ten thousand years and then forevermore

#### Chorus

Sing like never before, O my soul I'll worship Your holy name We worship Your holy name We worship Your holy name

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# Officiant

I call heaven and earth to witness against you today, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and curse. Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying his voice and holding fast to him, for he is your life.

Deuteronomy 30:19-20a

#### CONFESSION OF SIN

The Officiant says to the People

Dearly beloved, the Scriptures teach us to acknowledge our many sins and offenses, not concealing them from our heavenly Father, but confessing them with humble and obedient hearts that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy. We ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before Almighty God, but especially when we come together in his presence to give thanks for the great benefits we have received at his hands, to declare his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things which are necessary for our life and our salvation. Therefore, draw near with me to the throne of heavenly grace.

Silence is kept.

The Officiant and People say

Almighty and most merciful Father,

we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own

hearts. We have offended against your holy laws.

We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and apart from your grace, there is no health in us.

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Spare all those who confess their faults.

Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

The Bishop says

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, desires not the death of sinners, but that they may turn from their wickedness and live. He has empowered and commanded his ministers to pronounce to his people, being penitent, the absolution and remission of their sins. He pardons and absolves all who truly repent and genuinely believe his holy Gospel. For this reason, we beseech him to grant us true repentance and his Holy Spirit, that our present deeds may please him, the rest of our lives may be pure and holy, and that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

All stand.

Officiant O Lord, open our lips;

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Officiant O God, make speed to save us;
People O Lord, make haste to help us.

Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the

Holy Spirit;

People As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever

shall be, world without end. Amen.

Officiant Praise the Lord.

People The Lord's name be praised.

JUBILATE Be Joyful

O be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \* serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song. Be assured that the Lord, he is God; \* it is he that has made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise; \*

be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting, \* and his truth endures from generation to generation.

#### THE PSALM APPOINTED

Psalm 139

Domine, probasti

- 1 O Lord, you have searched me out and known me; \* you know my sitting down and my rising up; you understand my thoughts from afar.
- 2. You examine my path and my places of rest, \* and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3.Indeed, there is not a word on my tongue, \* but you, O Lord, know it altogether.
- 4. You have enclosed me behind and before, \* and have laid your hand

upon me.

- 5. Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, \* so excellent I cannot attain to it.
- 6. Where shall I go then from your Spirit, \* or where shall I flee from your presence?
- 7.If I climb up to heaven, you are there; \*
  if I make my bed in the grave, you are there also.
- 8.If I take the wings of the morning \* and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,
- 9.Even there shall your hand lead me, \* and your right hand shall hold me.
- 10.If I say, "Surely the darkness shall cover me," \* then shall my night be turned to day.
- 11.Even the darkness is not dark to you, and the night is as clear as the day; \*
  the darkness and the light to you are both alike.
- 12. For you yourself made my inmost parts; \* you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13.I will give thanks to you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made; \*
  marvelous are your works, and my soul knows it very well.
- 14.My bones were not hidden from you \* when I was made in secret and fashioned in the depths of the earth.
- 15. Your eyes beheld my substance, while I was yet unformed; \* and in your book were all my members written,
- 16. Which day by day were fashioned, \* when as yet there was none of them.
- Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

#### THE LESSONS

The First Lesson: Jeremiah 1:4-10

4 Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying, 5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." 6 Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Behold, I do not know how to speak, for I am only a youth." 7 But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a youth'; for to all to whom I send you, you shall go, and whatever I command you, you shall speak. 8 Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, declares the Lord." 9 Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth. And the Lord said to me, "Behold, I have put my words in your mouth. 10 See, I have set you this day over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to break down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.** 

HYMN: EVERLASTING ARMS

What a fellowship, what a joy divine Leaning on the everlasting arms What a blessedness, what a peace is mine Leaning on the everlasting arms

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms Leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms

O how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way Leaning on the everlasting arms O how bright the path grows from day to day Leaning on the everlasting arms

Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms

What have I to dread, what have I to fear Leaning on the everlasting arms I have blessed peace with my Lord so near Leaning on the everlasting arms Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms

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The Second Lesson: Luke 1:39-45

39 In those days Mary arose and went with haste into the hill country, to a town in Judah, 40 and she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. 41 And when Elizabeth heard the greeting of Mary, the baby leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit, 42 and she exclaimed with a loud cry, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb! 43 And why is this granted to me that the mother of my Lord should come to me? 44 For behold, when the sound of your greeting came to my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. 45 And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfillment of what was spoken to her from the Lord."

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.** 

HYMN: TAKE MY LIFE AND LET IT BE

Take my life and let it be Consecrated Lord to Thee Take my moments and my days Let them flow in ceaseless praise Let them flow in ceaseless praise

Take my voice and let me sing Always, only, for my King Take my lips and let them be Filled with messages from Thee Filled with messages from Thee

Take my will and make it Thine It shall be no longer mine Take my heart, it is Thine own It shall be Thy royal throne It shall be Thy royal throne Take my love, my Lord I pour At thy feet its treasures store Take myself and I will be Ever, only, all for Thee Ever, only, all for Thee

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# SERMON The Rt. Rev. Clark Lowenfield THE APOSTLES' CREED

Officiant and People together, all standing

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 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.

> SILENT NO MORE TESTIMONY Priscilla Anne Hurley

#### THE PRAYERS

Officiant The Lord be with you. People And with your spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

The People kneel.

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Officiant and People

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,
and the power, and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.

After each bidding, the people are invited to offer their prayers silently or aloud.

I bid your prayers for the Church and for the world, that those who confess God's Name may safeguard, with faith and joy, the dignity of all people.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

### Hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for a greater reverence for the sanctity of all life, that we may further the work of God's kingdom here on earth.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for all who are vulnerable, especially unborn children, made in your divine image. Pray that they be brought safely to birth, and that they be kept from the scourge of abortion.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

# Hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for repentance, pardon, and healing for all parents of aborted children, for all those who have aided in abortions, and for all those who have failed to help women in crisis pregnancies.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

#### Hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for all who care for expectant mothers, that their skills may be used for health and healing.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

# Hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for a proper respect for all people with disabilities, that we may proclaim with fervor that they are a blessing and a gift, made in God's image.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

# Hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for the sick, troubled, weak, and dying, that they may be granted the joy of salvation and the grace of the Holy Spirit.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

# Hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for our leaders: that they may impartially administer justice, uphold integrity and truth, restrain wickedness and vice, and maintain true religion.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

# Hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers for all who work to promote the cause of life, that not only laws, but also hearts and minds, be changed to affirm the dignity of all people.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

### Hear our prayer.

I bid your prayers in thanksgiving for all who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

# Hear our prayer.

Officiant

O God, who adorns creation with splendor and beauty and fashions human lives in your image and likeness: Awaken in every heart a reverence for the work of your hands, and renew among your people a readiness to nurture and sustain your precious gift of human life; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.** 

#### **OFFERTORY**

Today's offering will be given to Anglicans for Life to support its ministries. Please make checks out to "AFL", or go to AnglicansForLife.org and click the "Donate" button on the top right-hand side of the page.

#### HYMN: COME THOU FOUNT OF EVERY BLESSING

Come thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing thy grace Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise Teach me some melodious sonnet, sung by flaming tongues above Praise the mount I'm fixed upon it

Mount of thy redeeming love

Here I raise my Ebenezer, hither by thy help I'm come And I hope by thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home

Jesus sought me when a stranger, wand'ring from the fold of God He to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood

O to grace how great a debtor, daily I'm constrained to be Let thy goodness like a fetter, bind my wand'ring heart to thee Prone to wander Lord I feel it, prone to leave the God I love Here's my heart Lord take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above Here's my heart Lord take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above Here's my heart Lord take and seal it, seal it for thy courts above

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#### THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made.

We bless you for our creation, preservation,

and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days;

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

Officiant and People

Almighty Father, you created us in your image and love us with a perfect love: Grant us grace and strength in all our words and deeds, both today and throughout the year, that we might manifest your love for the most vulnerable in our midst and for all who do not know you. Be present with those who march for life today and work through us all for the extension of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BLESSING

My hope is built on nothing less Than Jesus' blood and righteousness I dare not trust the sweetest frame But wholly lean on Jesus' name

On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When darkness veils His lovely face I rest on his unchanging grace In every high and stormy gale My anchor holds within the veil

On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

His oath, His covenant, His blood Support me in the whelming flood When all around my soul gives way He then is all my hope and stay

On Christ the solid Rock I stand All other ground is sinking sand All other ground is sinking sand

When He shall come with trumpet sound O may I then in Him be found Dressed in His righteousness alone Faultess to stand before the throne

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS

# DISMISSAL

Officiant Alleluia, Alleluia, Let us go forth in the name

of Christ.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.