

Morning Prayer¹

St. Barnabas Chapel
Sunday 22nd March 2020

Holy Holy Holy

*1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.
Holy, holy, holy! Merciful and mighty!
God in three Persons, blessed Trinity!*

*2 Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,
who wert, and art, and evermore shalt be.*

*3 Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide thee,
though the eye of sinful man thy glory may not see,
only thou art holy; there is none beside thee
perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.*

*4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All thy works shall praise thy name in earth and sky and sea.
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Drawing Near To God

We are the people of God. The Scripture reminds us that we still sin. We need to confess our failures, knowing that Jesus intercedes for us with the Father, who freely forgives us. So let us draw near to God with sincerity and confidence.

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Gracious God, our heavenly Father,
we humbly thank you
for all your gifts so freely given:
for life and health and safety,
for work and rest and friendship,
and for the wonder of creation.
Above all, we praise you for our Saviour,
Jesus Christ,
for his death and resurrection,
for your life-giving Spirit
and the hope of sharing in your glory.
Fill our hearts with all joy and peace in believing;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Hearing God's Word

We thank you, heavenly Father, for inspiring all Scripture by the Holy Spirit. By your Spirit, help us so to hear your holy word that we might be equipped for every good work, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Bible Reading

Psalm 90

*Lord, you have been our dwelling place throughout all generations.
2 Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the whole world, from everlasting to everlasting you are God.³ You turn people back to dust, saying, "Return to dust, you mortals."⁴ A thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by, or like a watch in the night.⁵ Yet you sweep people away in the sleep of death - they are like the new grass of the morning.⁶ In the morning it springs up new, but by evening it is dry and withered.⁷ We are consumed by your anger and terrified by your indignation.⁸ You have set our iniquities before you, our secret sins in the light of your presence.⁹ All our days pass away under your wrath; we finish our years with a moan.¹⁰ Our days may come to seventy years, or eighty, if our strength endures; yet the best of them are but trouble and sorrow, for they quickly pass, and we fly away.¹¹ If only we knew the power of your anger! Your wrath is as great as the fear that is your due.¹² **Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom.** ¹³ Relent, Lord! How long will it be? Have compassion on your servants.¹⁴ Satisfy us in the morning with your*



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unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.¹⁵ Make us glad for as many days as you have afflicted us, for as many years as we have seen trouble.¹⁶ May your deeds be shown to your servants, your splendor to their children.¹⁷ May the favor of the Lord our God rest on us; establish the work of our hands for us - yes, establish the work of our hands.

Sermon

Rev. David Fell, Chaplain of The Church of England on Norfolk Island

Our God, Our Help In Ages Past

*1 Our God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come,
our shelter from the stormy blast,
and our eternal home:*

*2 Under the shadow of your throne
your saints have dwelt secure;
sufficient is your arm alone,
and our defense is sure.*

*3 Before the hills in order stood,
or earth received her frame,
from everlasting you are God,
to endless years the same.*

*4 A thousand ages in your sight
are like an evening gone;
short as the watch that ends the night
before the rising sun.*

*5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
bears all its sons away;
they fly forgotten, as a dream
dies at the op'ning day.*

*6 Our God, our help in ages past,
our hope for years to come:
O be our guard while troubles last,
and our eternal home.*



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Praying For God's World

Prayers for the world, the community, the church and the spread of the gospel follow.

Let us 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.**

Going Out To Serve

Go forth into the world in peace; be of good courage; hold fast that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour everyone; love and serve the Lord, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



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