Daily Prayer During Holy Week, Year 1

These services for Morning, Midday, and Evening Prayer during Holy Week are adapted from *Daily Prayer: Supplemental Liturgical Resource 5* of the Presbyterian Church (Westminster Press, 1987).

Two sets of lessons are provided for each day, to allow for different patterns of reading scripture. The two-year Daily Lectionary (Year One) is provided in the left-hand column. The three-year Revised Common Lectionary for Sundays and Festivals is listed in the right-hand column (the readings for Holy Week are the same for all three years in the Revised Common Lectionary). Worship planners should select *one* of these options, depending on the context of the congregation.

The readings for each day are generally distributed as follows: Morning Prayer, Old Testament; Midday Prayer, Epistle; and Evening Prayer, Gospel Lesson. Should only one or two services a day be observed, the readings may be redistributed accordingly.

Musical settings for the canticles can be found in the *Presbyterian Hymnal*.

-Passion/Palm Sunday-

MORNING PRAYER

OPENING SENTENCES

O Lord, open my lips, Psalm 51:15

and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Tell the daughter of Zion: Behold, your king is coming to you! Matthew 21:5, 9

He is humble and rides on a donkey.

Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest.

MORNING HYMN

Psalm 84; Psalm 150 Psalm 31:9-16 **PSALM**

SCRIPTURE READING Zechariah 9:9-12 Isaiah 50:4-9a

Canticle of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79) or Other Canticle CANTICLE

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Satisfy us with your love in the morning,

and we will live this day in joy and praise.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

God of all joy, fill our souls to overflowing with the fullness of your grace. In this season, remind us of your triumph over the tragedy of the cross, and your victory for us over the powers of sin and death,

so that we may reflect your glory as disciples of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

To God be honor and glory forever and ever! Amen.

1 Timothy 1:17

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

From the rising of the sun to its setting let the name of the Lord be praised.

Psalm 113:3

HYMN

PSALM Psalm 122 Psalm 31:9-16

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Timothy 6:12-16 Philippians 2:5-11

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

I will call upon God, and the Lord will answer me.

Psalm 55:16-17

Evening, morning, and at noon I offer my prayers, and the Lord will hear my voice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms. Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be drawn to your redeeming love; for your kingdom's sake. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

CANTICLE Gloria in Excelsis (Luke 2:14) or Other Canticle

DISMISSAL

To God be honor and glory forever and ever! **Amen.**

1 Timothy 1:17

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

Behold, now is the acceptable time; **now is the day of salvation.**

2 Corinthians 6:2

Restore us, O God of our salvation,

Psalm 80:3

that the light of your face may shine upon us.

EVENING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 42; Psalm 32 Psalm 31:9-16

SCRIPTURE READING Matthew 21:12-17 Matthew 26:14—27:66

CANTICLE Canticle of Mary (Luke 1:46-55) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Let us live in love, as Christ loved us and gave his life for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

God of creation, you formed us out of the dust of the earth and breathed life into us.

By your Spirit breathe new life into us.

Lead us to life eternal by the mighty love of Jesus Christ,

who suffered on the cross and was raised from the dead.

You lifted him to glory, where with outstretched arms

he welcomes the world in his strong embrace of salvation.

In his holy name we pray. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

To God be honor and glory forever and ever! **Amen.**

1 Timothy 1:17

Bless the Lord.

-Monday-

MORNING PRAYER

OPENING SENTENCES

O Lord, open my lips,
Psalm 51:15

and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

When Jesus saw Jerusalem, he wept over it.

Luke 19:41

If only we had known the way to peace!

MORNING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 119:73-80; Psalm 145 Psalm 36:5-11

SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 11:18-20; 12:1-16 (17) Isaiah 42:1-9

CANTICLE Canticle of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Satisfy us with your love in the morning, and we will live this day in joy and praise.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Eternal God, give us such grace and generosity that this day we may bring your love and peace and joy to the lonely, the troubled, the grieving.

Help us by your Spirit to recognize your presence with us throughout the day, that we may do what is good in the name of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

May we continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

2 Peter 3:18

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

From the rising of the sun to its setting let the name of the Lord be praised.

Psalm 113:3

HYMN

PSALM Psalm 19:1-6 Psalm 36:5-11

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 3:1-14 Hebrews 9:11-15

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

I will call upon God, and the Lord will answer me.

Psalm 55:16-17

Evening, morning, and at noon I offer my prayers, and the Lord will hear my voice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms. Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be drawn to your redeeming love; for your kingdom's sake. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

CANTICLE Gloria in Excelsis (Luke 2:14) or Other Canticle

DISMISSAL

May we continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

2 Peter 3:18

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

O God, come to our assistance.

Psalm 22:19

O Lord, hasten to help us.

Jesus drove the merchants out of the temple. As it is written in the scriptures, God said: My temple will be called a house of prayer, but you are making it a den of thieves. Matthew 21:12-13

EVENING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 121; Psalm 6 Psalm 36:5-11

SCRIPTURE READING John 12:9-19 John 12:1-11

CANTICLE Canticle of Mary (Luke 1:46-55) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Receive my prayer as incense, O God,

my uplifted hands as an evening sacrifice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Loving God, fill us with a full measure of grace,

that we may be agents of your love in this world.

By the power of your Holy Spirit, sustain us in the struggle for peace and justice.

Keep us constant in the service of Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

May we continue to grow in the grace and knowledge of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

2 Peter 3:18

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

-Tuesday-

MORNING PRAYER

OPENING SENTENCES

O Lord, open my lips, Psalm 51:15

and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

The children were shouting in the temple:

Matthew 21:15-16

Hosanna to the Son of David!
And Jesus justified them with scripture:
Out of the mouths of children and infants you have brought perfect praise.

MORNING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 34; Psalm 146 Psalm 71:1-14

SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 15:10-21 Isaiah 49:1-7

CANTICLE Canticle of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Satisfy us with your love in the morning, and we will live this day in joy and praise.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

God of love, as you have given your life to us, so may we live according to your holy will revealed in Jesus Christ. Make us bold to share your life, and show your love, in the power of your Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

The grace of God be with us all, now and always! **Amen.**

1 Timothy 6:21

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

From the rising of the sun to its setting let the name of the Lord be praised.

Psalm 113:3

HYMN

PSALM Psalm 113 Psalm 71:1-14

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 3:15-21 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

I will call upon God, and the Lord will answer me.

Psalm 55:16-17

Evening, morning, and at noon I offer my prayers, and the Lord will hear my voice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms. Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be drawn to your redeeming love; for your kingdom's sake. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

CANTICLE Gloria in Excelsis (Luke 2:14) or Other Canticle

DISMISSAL

The grace of God be with us all, now and always!

1 Timothy 6:21

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

O God, come to our assistance.

Psalm 22:19

O Lord, hasten to help us.

Jesus cursed the fruitless fig tree and it died; so he said:

Matthew 21:19, 22; Mark 11:25

When you pray, believe, and you will receive.

When you pray, forgive,

and God will forgive the wrongs you have done.

EVENING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 25; Psalm 91 Psalm 71:1-14

SCRIPTURE READING John 12:20-26 John 12:20-36

CANTICLE Canticle of Mary (Luke 1:46-55) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Receive my prayer as incense, O God,

my uplifted hands as an evening sacrifice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Great God, keep our feet firmly in the Way where Christ leads us; sound from our mouths the Truth which Christ teaches us; and fill our bodies with the Life that is Christ within us, by the power of your Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

The grace of God be with us all, now and always! **Amen.**

1 Timothy 6:21

Bless the Lord.

-Wednesday-

MORNING PRAYER

OPENING SENTENCES

O Lord, open my lips. Psalm 51:15

And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Jesus said: Soon it will be the Passover,

Matthew 26:1-2

and the Son of Man will be handed over to be crucified.

MORNING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 5; Psalm 147:1-11 Psalm 70

SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 17:5-10, 14-17 (18) Isaiah 50:4-9a

CANTICLE Canticle of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Satisfy us with your love in the morning, and we will live this day in joy and praise.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Lord, as daylight fills the sky, fill us with your holy light.

May our lives mirror your great love.

Your wisdom has brought us into being,

and your care guides us on the way of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

May the Lord, who is our peace, give us peace at all times and in every way.

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

The Lord's name be praised.

2 Thessalonians 3:16

OPENING SENTENCES

From the rising of the sun to its setting let the name of the Lord be praised.

Psalm 113:3

HYMN

PSALM Psalm 121 Psalm 70

SCRIPTURE READING Philippians 4:1-13 Hebrews 12:1-3

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

I will call upon God, and the Lord will answer me.

Psalm 55:16-17

Evening, morning, and at noon I offer my prayers, and the Lord will hear my voice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms. Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be drawn to your redeeming love; for your kingdom's sake. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

CANTICLE Gloria in Excelsis (Luke 2:14) or Other Canticle

DISMISSAL

May the Lord, who is our peace, give us peace at all times and in every way. **Amen.**

2 Thessalonians 3:16

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

O God, come to our assistance.

Psalm 22:19

O Lord, hasten to help us.

Mary washed Jesus' feet with expensive perfume, and they said:

Mark 14:3-6, 8

This should have been sold, and the money given to the poor.

But Jesus said: Leave her alone! She has done a beautiful thing.

She has poured the perfume on me to prepare me for my burial.

EVENING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 27; Psalm 51 Psalm 70

SCRIPTURE READING John 12:27-36 John 13:21-32

CANTICLE Canticle of Mary (Luke 1:46-55) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Receive my prayer as incense, O God,

my uplifted hands as an evening sacrifice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Without your breath in us, O God, we wither and are gone.

Calm us by your Spirit, and renew your life within us,

that we may journey with Christ and come at last to the home he has prepared for us, welcomed in your eternal embrace.

In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

May the Lord, who is our peace, give us peace at all times and in every way.

2 Thessalonians 3:16

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

-Maundy Thursday-

MORNING PRAYER

OPENING SENTENCES

O Lord, open my lips. Psalm 51:15

And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Jesus said: I give you a new commandment.

John 13:34-35

Love one another as I have loved you.

By this the world will know that we are his disciples, if we love one another.

MORNING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 27; Psalm 147:12-20 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

SCRIPTURE READING Jeremiah 20:7-11 (12-13) 14-18 Exodus 12:1-4 (5-10) 11-14

CANTICLE Canticle of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Satisfy us with your love in the morning, and we will live this day in joy and praise.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Loving God, as you have shared life and love with us, lead us to share ourselves, that in the giving of our lives others may recognize your love.

In the name of Jesus Christ, who commanded us to love by his righteous example. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

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

Romans 15:13

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

From the rising of the sun to its setting let the name of the Lord be praised.

Psalm 113:3

HYMN

PSALM Psalm 34 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Corinthians 10:14-17; 11:27-32 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

I will call upon God, and the Lord will answer me.

Psalm 55:16-17

Evening, morning, and at noon I offer my prayers, and the Lord will hear my voice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms. Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be drawn to your redeeming love; for your kingdom's sake. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

CANTICLE Gloria in Excelsis (Luke 2:14) or Other Canticle

DISMISSAL

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

Romans 15:13

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Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

O God, come to our assistance.

Psalm 22:19

O Lord, hasten to help us.

When it was evening, they sat down to eat, and Jesus said:

Matthew 26:21-22

I tell you, one of you will betray me.

The disciples were very upset, and began to ask him:

Is it I, Lord?

EVENING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 126; Psalm 102 Psalm 116:1-2, 12-19

SCRIPTURE READING John 17:1-11 (12-26) John 13:1-17, 31b-35

CANTICLE Canticle of Mary (Luke 1:46-55) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Receive my prayer as incense, O God,

my uplifted hands as an evening sacrifice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Holy God, keep us in communion with you and in community with one another,

that we may always be ready to eat at table with Christ.

Protect and preserve us from all evil,

and deliver us from the pitfalls of sin,

that, ransomed and restored,

we may be loyal followers of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

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

Romans 15:13

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

-Good Friday-

MORNING PRAYER

OPENING SENTENCES

O Lord, open my lips. Psalm 51:15

And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Keep watch and pray that you will not fall into temptation.

Matthew 26:41, 45; 6:13

The spirit is willing, but the flesh is week.

The hour has come for the Son of Man to be handed over.

Lord, lead us not into temptation.

MORNING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 22; Psalm 148 Psalm 22

SCRIPTURE READING Genesis 22:1-14 Isaiah 52:13—53:12

CANTICLE Canticle of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Satisfy us with your love in the morning, and we will live this day in joy and praise.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Holy God, your Word, Jesus Christ, spoke peace to a sinful world and brought humanity the gift of reconciliation by the suffering and death he endured. Teach those who bear his name to follow the example he gave us. May your life-giving power at work in us turn hatred to love, conflict to peace, and sorrow into joy,

through Christ our Lord. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

May God's peace, which is far beyond our understanding, keep us safe in union with Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

From the rising of the sun to its setting let the name of the Lord be praised.

Psalm 113:3

HYMN

PSALM Psalm 13 Psalm 22

SCRIPTURE READING 1 Peter 1:10-20 Hebrews 10:16-25

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

I will call upon God, and the Lord will answer me.

Psalm 55:16-17

Evening, morning, and at noon I offer my prayers, and the Lord will hear my voice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms. Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be drawn to your redeeming love; for your kingdom's sake. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

CANTICLE Gloria in Excelsis (Luke 2:14) or Other Canticle

DISMISSAL

May God's peace, which is far beyond our understanding, keep us safe in union with Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

O God, come to our assistance.

Psalm 22:19

O Lord, hasten to help us.

They took Jesus out to the place called The Skull,

Luke 23:33-34

and there they crucified him.

Jesus said: Father, forgive them!

They do not know what they are doing.

EVENING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 105; Psalm 130 Psalm 22

SCRIPTURE READING John 19:38-42 John 18:1-19:42

CANTICLE Canticle of Mary (Luke 1:46-55) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Receive my prayer as incense, O God,

my uplifted hands as an evening sacrifice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Eternal God, as we are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ, so give us the grace of repentance that we may pass through the grave with him and be born again to eternal life.

For he is the One who was crucified, dead, and buried,

and rose again for us, Jesus our Savior. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

May God's peace, which is far beyond our understanding, keep us safe in union with Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:7

Amen.

Bless the Lord.

-Holy Saturday-

MORNING PRAYER

OPENING SENTENCES

O Lord, open my lips. Psalm 51:15

And my mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Joseph had taken down his body, wrapped it in linen,

Luke 23:53, 56

and placed it in a new tomb, cut from solid rock.

The women had gone home to prepare spices for the body.

It was the sabbath, so they rested as the law commanded.

MORNING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 43; Psalm 149 Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16

SCRIPTURE READING Job 19:21-27a Job 14:1-14

CANTICLE Canticle of Zechariah (Luke 1:68-79) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Satisfy us with your love in the morning, and we will live this day in joy and praise.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Take all our doubts and uncertainties, O God, and fill us with such faith that we may be confident of your love and loyal in the service of him who died and yet lives for us, Jesus Christ the Lord. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

Amen.

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with us all.

Philippians 4:23

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

From the rising of the sun to its setting let the name of the Lord be praised.

Psalm 113:3

HYMN

PSALM Psalm 130 Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16

SCRIPTURE READING Hebrews 4:1-16 1 Peter 4:1-8

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

I will call upon God, and the Lord will answer me.

Psalm 55:16-17

Evening, morning, and at noon I offer my prayers, and the Lord will hear my voice.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

Blessed Savior, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms. Grant that all the peoples of the earth may be drawn to your redeeming love; for your kingdom's sake. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

CANTICLE Gloria in Excelsis (Luke 2:14) or Other Canticle

DISMISSAL

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with us all. **Amen.**

Philippians 4:23

Bless the Lord.

OPENING SENTENCES

Behold, now is the acceptable time; **now is the day of salvation.**

2 Corinthians 6:2

Restore us, O God of our salvation,

Psalm 80:3

that the light of your face may shine upon us.

EVENING HYMN

PSALM Psalm 31; Psalm 143 Psalm 31:1-4, 15-16

SCRIPTURE READING Romans 8:1-11 Matthew 27:57-66

CANTICLE Canticle of Mary (Luke 1:46-55) or Other Canticle

THANKSGIVING AND INTERCESSION

Let us live in love, as Christ loved us and gave his life for us, a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Prayers of thanksgiving and intercession are offered, followed by the concluding collect:

God our Redeemer, keep us firm in faith and safe from all evil. Open our eyes, that we may awaken and watch for the coming of your dawn, and the fulfillment of your promised realm, where there is no more pain or sorrow, in your eternal life with Jesus Christ our risen Lord. **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN OR SPIRITUAL

DISMISSAL

May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with us all. **Amen.**

Philippians 4:23

Bless the Lord.