

# Morning Prayer April 7 – April 13

#### Matins

- L: O Lord, open my lips,
- C: and my mouth shall declare your praise
- C: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen
- L: The Lord is near to those who call on Him.
- C: Oh, come, let us worship him.
- C: Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, and a great king above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth,

the heights of the hills are also his,

The sea is his, for he made it,

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Oh, come, let us bow down and bend the knee,

and kneel before the Lord our maker.

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

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#### **Psalms**

Apr 7 Monday: 145

Loving Father, You are faithful in Your promises and tender in Your compassion. Listen to our hymn of joy, and continue to satisfy the needs of all Your creatures, that all flesh may bless Your name in Your everlasting kingdom, where with Your Son and the Holy Spirit You live and reign, now and forever. Amen.

Apr 8 Tuesday: 146

God of glory and power, happy indeed are those who have put their trust in You. Shine the brightness of Your light upon us, that we may love You always with a pure heart and praise You forever; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Apr 9 Wednesday: 147:1-12

God our Father, great builder of the heavenly Jerusalem, You know the number of the stars and call each of them by name. Heal hearts that are broken, gather those who have been scattered, and enrich us all from the plenitude of Your eternal wisdom, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Apr 10 Thursday: 147:13-21

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Apr 11 Friday: 148

God Most High, by Your Word You created a wondrous universe, and through Your Spirit You breathed into it the breath of life. Accept creation's hymn of praise from our lips, and let the praise that is sung in heaven resound in the heart of every creature on earth, to the glory of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

Apr 12 Saturday: 149

Lord, let Israel rejoice in You and acknowledge You as creator and redeemer. In your loving kindness embrace us now, that we may proclaim the wonderful truths of salvation with Your saints in glory; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### Apr 13 Sunday: 150

Lord God, unite our voices with the praise of all creation, that we may worthily magnify Your excellent greatness; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

#### Lessons:

Apr 7 Monday

Jeremiah 24:1-10

Romans 9:19-33

John 9:1-17

Apr 8 Tuesday

Jeremiah 25:8-17

Romans 10:1-13

John 9:18-41

Apr 9 Wednesday

Jeremiah 25:30-38

Romans 10:14-21

John 10:1-18

Apr 10 Thursday

Jeremiah 26:1-24

Romans 11:1-12

John 10:19-42

Apr 11 Friday

Jeremiah 29:1-14

Romans 11:13-24

John 11:1-27

Apr 12 Saturday

Jeremiah 31:27-34

Romans 11:25-36

John 11:28-44

Apr 13 Sunday Sunday of the Passion

Zechariah 9:9-12

1 Timothy 6:12-16

Matthew 21:12-17

L: In many and various ways God spoke to his people of old by the prophets.

C: But now in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son.

C: Let justice roll down like waterAnd righteousness like and overflowing stream.

C: Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;
he has come to his people and set them free.
He has raised up for us a mighty Savior,
born of the house of his servant David.
Through his holy prophets he promised of old that
he would save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all who hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

free to worship him without fear,

holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.

You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, to give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.
 In the tender compassion of our God, the dawn from on high shall break upon us, to shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of

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death, and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

C: Let justice roll down like waterAnd righteousness like and overflowing stream.

# Prayer of the day:

Apr 7 Monday

Father of love, source of all blessings, help us to pass from our old life of sin to the new life of grace. Prepare us for the glory of Your kingdom. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

## Apr 8 Tuesday

Lord, help us to do Your will that Your Church may grow and become more faithful in Your service. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

## Apr 9 Wednesday

Father of mercy, hear the prayers of Your repentant children who call on You in love. Enlighten our minds and sanctify our hearts. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

### Apr 10 Thursday

Lord, come to us: free us from the stain of our sins. Help us to remain faithful to a holy way of life, and guide us to the inheritance You have promised. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

## Apr 11 Friday

Lord, grant us Your forgiveness, and set us free from our enslavement to sin. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

# Apr 12 Saturday

God our Father, You always work to save us, and now we rejoice in the great love You give to Your chosen people. Protect all who are about to become Your children, and continue to bless those who are already baptized. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

# Apr 13 Sunday Sunday of the Passion

Almighty, ever-living God, You have given the human race Jesus Christ our Savior as a model of humility. He fulfilled Your will by becoming man and giving His life on the cross. Help us to bear witness to You by following His example of suffering and make us worthy to share in His resurrection. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, Your Son, who

lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

L: O Lord, almighty and everlasting God, You have brought us in safety to this new day; preserve us with You mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome in adversity; in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of Your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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,
forever and ever. Amen.

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

L: The Lord almighty bless us, and direct our days and our deeds in his peace.

C: Amen.

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AS WE REFLECT ON JESUS'

DEATH/RESURRECTION AND GOD'S

UNMATCHED GENEROSITY

TOWARDS US AND ALL CREATION,

WE REALIZE IT'S ONLY BY HIS

GRACE/FORGIVENESS THAT I CAN

EVEN WRITE OR SPEAK ABOUT

GENEROSITY—FOR HIS GENEROSITY

IS BOTH PERFECT AND COMPLETE

IN EVERY WAY.

# God Loves you so very much!

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TO GATHER IN THIS PLACE TO
WORSHIP HIM,
TO LEARN ABOUT HIM,
TO BASK IN HIS LOVE,
TO SHARE HIS LOVE WITH EACH
OTHER, AND TO SPREAD THAT LOVE
WITH THE WORLD.



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