

MORNING PRAYER

CALL TO PRAYER

All the earth Worships you Lord God Almighty –
All angels, seraphim and cherubim cry to you. Apostles praise you, the fellowship of prophets adore you, martyrs rejoice in you, children thank you. The church around the world crowns you Lord of all. Lift your hearts to the Lord.

REQUEST FOR PRESENCE

Oh God you are my God; eagerly I seek you. My soul thirsts for you.

My flesh faints for you, as in barren and dry land where there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, that I might behold your power and your glory.

For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; and my lips shall give you praise.

So will I bless you as long as I live and lift up my hands in your name.

Ps. 63. 1-4

A READING:

Asked by the Pharisees when the kingdom of God was to come, he gave them this answer, 'the coming of the kingdom of God does not admit of observations and there will be no one to say, "look, it is here! It is there!" For look, the kingdom of God is among you.'

Luke 17. 20-21

SILENCE

INTERCESSIONS:

Wind of God, blow far from us
all dark despair, all deep distress,
all groundless fears, all sinful desires,
all Satan's snares, all false values,
all selfish wishes, all wasteful worries.

Blow into us your holy presence,
your living love, your healing touch,

***your splendid courage, your mighty strength,
your perfect peace, your caring concern,
your divine grace, your boundless joy.
Wind of God, blow strong, blow fresh, blow now. Amen.***

INTERCESSIONS FOR THOSE WHOSE LIVES ARE CLOSELY LINKED WITH OURS AND FOR OUR MINISTRIES.

THE GLORIA

THE LORD'S PRAYER (sins)

THE CONCLUDING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

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

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