



Daily Prayer  
in  
the Third Week of Advent

# Sunday Daily Prayer

## Preparation

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**O Lord, make haste to help us.**

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*Psalm 119.11*

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*Salus Aeterna*

## The Word of God

### Psalm 150

- 1 Praise the Lord. O praise God in his sanctuary:  
praise him in the firmament of his power.
- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts:  
praise him according to his abundant goodness.
- 3 Praise him in the blast of the ram's horn:  
praise him upon the lute and harp.
- 4 Praise him with the timbrel and dances:  
praise him upon the strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him on the high-sounding cymbals:  
praise him upon the loud cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath praise the Lord:  
O praise the Lord!

### Reading

The Lord your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among your own people; you shall heed such a prophet. This is what you requested of the Lord your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly when you said: 'If I hear the voice of the Lord my God any more, or ever again see this great fire, I will die.' Then the Lord replied to me: 'They are right in what they have said. I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their own people; I will put my words in the mouth of the prophet, who shall speak to them everything that I command.

*Deuteronomy 18.15-18*

### Response

*Silence*

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*Matthew 5.6*

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### Psalm 57.2-4, 8-11

- 2 And in the shadow of your wings will I take refuge:  
until these troubles are over-past.
- 3 I will call to God Most High:  
to the God who will fulfil his purpose for me.
- 4 He will send from heaven and save me:  
he will send forth his faithfulness  
and his loving-kindness,  
and rebuke those that would trample me down.
- 8 My heart is fixed, O God, my heart is fixed:  
I will sing and make melody.
- 9 Awake my soul, awake lute and harp:  
for I will awaken the morning.
- 10 I will give you thanks, O Lord, among the peoples:  
I will sing your praise among the nations.
- 11 For the greatness of your mercy reaches to the heavens:  
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

## Reading

Give ear, you that rule over multitudes,  
and boast of many nations.

For your dominion was given you from the Lord,  
and your sovereignty from the Most High;  
he will search out your works and inquire into your plans.

For the lowliest may be pardoned in mercy,  
but the mighty will be mightily tested.

For the Lord of all will not stand in awe of anyone,  
or show deference to greatness;

because he himself made both small and great,  
and he takes thought for all alike.

But a strict inquiry is in store for the mighty.

*Wisdom 6.2-3, 6-8*

## Response

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## The Word of God

### Psalm 5.2-6, 8-9

- 2 In the morning when I pray to you,  
surely you will hear my voice:  
at daybreak I lay my prayers before you, and look up.
- 3 For you are not a God who  
takes pleasure in wickedness:  
nor can any evil dwell with you.
- 4 The boastful cannot stand in your sight:  
you hate all those that work mischief.
- 5 Those who speak lies you destroy:  
you abhor the treacherous, O Lord,  
and those that are stained with blood.
- 6 But because of your great goodness  
I will come into your house:  
I will bow down toward your holy temple  
in awe and fear of you.
- 8 For there is no truth in their mouth:  
and within they are eaten up by malice.
- 9 Their throat is an open sepulchre:  
and their tongue speaks smooth and flattering words.

## Reading

He will not show partiality to the poor;  
but he will listen to the prayer of one who is wronged.  
He will not ignore the supplication of the orphan,  
or the widow when she pours out her complaint.  
Do not the tears of the widow run down her cheek  
as she cries out against the one who causes them to fall?  
One whose service is pleasing to the Lord will be accepted,  
and his prayer will reach to the clouds.  
The prayer of the humble pierces the clouds,  
and it will not rest until it reaches its goal;  
it will not desist until the Most High responds  
and does justice to the righteous, and executes judgement.  
Indeed, the Lord will not delay,  
and like a warrior will not be patient  
until he crushes the loins of the unmerciful

## Response

*Silence*

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## The Word of God

### Psalm 27.7-10, 13-14

- 7 And now he will lift up my head:  
above my enemies round about me.
- 8 And I will offer sacrifices in his sanctuary  
with exultation:  
I will sing, I will sing praises to the Lord.
- 9 O Lord, hear my voice when I cry:  
have mercy upon me and answer me.
- 10 My heart has said of you, 'Seek his face':  
your face, Lord, I will seek.
- 13 Though my father and my mother forsake me:  
the Lord will take me up.
- 14 Teach me your way, O Lord:  
and lead me in an even path, for they lie in wait for me.

## Reading

Sing for joy, O heavens, and exult, O earth;  
break forth, O mountains, into singing!  
For the Lord has comforted his people,  
and will have compassion on his suffering ones.  
But Zion said, 'The Lord has forsaken me,  
my Lord has forgotten me.'  
Can a woman forget her nursing-child,  
or show no compassion for the child of her womb?  
Even these may forget,  
yet I will not forget you.  
See, I have inscribed you on the palms of my hands;  
your walls are continually before me.

*Isaiah 49.13-16*

## Response

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## The Word of God

### Psalm 25.1-7

- 1 In you, O Lord my God, have I put my hope:  
in you have I trusted, let me not be ashamed,  
nor let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 Let none who wait for you be put to shame:  
but let those that break faith  
be confounded and gain nothing.
- 3 Show me your ways, O Lord:  
and teach me your paths.
- 4 Lead me in the ways of your truth, and teach me:  
for you are the God of my salvation.
- 5 In you have I hoped all the day long:  
because of your goodness, O Lord.
- 6 Call to mind your compassion and your loving-kindness:  
for they are from of old.
- 7 Remember not the sins of my youth,  
nor my transgressions:  
but according to your mercy think on me.

## Reading

Wisdom praises herself,  
and tells of her glory in the midst of her people.  
In the assembly of the Most High she opens her mouth,  
and in the presence of his hosts she tells of her glory:  
'I came forth from the mouth of the Most High,  
and covered the earth like a mist.  
I dwelt in the highest heavens,  
and my throne was in a pillar of cloud.  
Alone I compassed the vault of heaven  
and traversed the depths of the abyss.  
Over waves of the sea, over all the earth,  
and over every people and nation I have held sway.

*Sirach 24.1-6*

## Response

*Silence*

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## The Word of God

### Psalm 149

- 1 O praise the Lord, and sing to the Lord a new song:  
O praise him in the assembly of the faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in him that made him:  
let the children of Zion be joyful in their king.
- 3 Let them praise him in the dance:  
let them sing his praise with timbrel and with harp.
- 4 For the Lord takes delight in his people:  
he adorns the meek with his salvation.
- 5 Let his faithful ones exult in his glory:  
let them sing for joy upon their beds.
- 6 Let the high praises of God be in their mouths:  
and a two-edged sword in their hands,
- 7 To execute vengeance on the nations:  
and chastisement upon the peoples,
- 8 To bind their kings in chains:  
and their nobles with fetters of iron,
- 9 To visit upon them the judgement that is decreed:  
such honour belongs to all his faithful servants.  
Praise the Lord.

### Reading

On that day, says the Lord,

I will assemble the lame  
and gather those who have been driven away,  
and those whom I have afflicted.

The lame I will make the remnant,  
and those who were cast off, a strong nation;  
and the Lord will reign over them in Mount Zion  
now and for evermore.

*Micah 4.6-7*

### Response

*Silence*

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## The Word of God

### Psalm 46.2-4, 9-12

- 2 While I have any being:  
I will sing praises to my God.
- 3 Put not your trust in princes:  
nor in flesh and blood, which cannot save.
- 4 For when their breath goes from them,  
they return again to the earth:  
and on that day all their thoughts perish.
- 9 The Lord gives sight to the blind:  
the Lord lifts up those that are bowed down.
- 10 The Lord loves the righteous:  
the Lord cares for the stranger in the land.
- 11 He upholds the widow and the fatherless:  
as for the way of the wicked, he turns it upside down.
- 12 The Lord shall be king for ever:  
your God, O Zion, shall reign through all generations.  
Praise the Lord.

## Reading

‘Blessed be the Lord, who has given rest to his people Israel according to all that he promised; not one word has failed of all his good promise, which he spoke through his servant Moses. The Lord our God be with us, as he was with our ancestors; may he not leave us or abandon us, but incline our hearts to him, to walk in all his ways, and to keep his commandments, his statutes, and his ordinances, which he commanded our ancestors.

*1 Kings 8.56-58*

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