



*St Peter's,
Bishop's Waltham*

Morning Worship

You are welcome with us today whether you have come in person or are joining us online.

Morning Worship involves us in praise and prayer, the hearing and preaching of scripture, and culminates in our being sent out in the power of the Holy Spirit for the rest of the week.

Welcome and Notices

The minister welcomes the congregation and gives any instructions including: Anthem, Psalm/Canticle, Affirmation of Faith

(Please stand)

Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you **and also with you.**

This is the day that the Lord has made **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

A moment of quiet

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and forever. Amen

Hymn

Confession *(Please sit)*

We have come together in the name of Christ, to offer our praise and thanksgiving, to hear and receive God's holy word, to pray for the needs of the world, and to seek the forgiveness of our sins, that by the power of the Holy Spirit we may give ourselves to the service of God.

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.' So let us turn away from our sin and turn to Christ, confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

**Most merciful God,
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
we confess that we have sinned
in thought and word and deed.
We have not loved you with our
whole heart and we have not loved
our neighbours as ourselves.**

In your mercy forgive what we have been, help us to amend what we are, and direct what we shall be; that we may do justly, love mercy and walk humbly with you, our God.

Amen

May the God of love and power forgive us and free us from our sins, heal and strengthen us by his Spirit, and raise us to new life in Christ our Lord. **Amen**

(Please Stand)

O Lord, open our lips
And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Taize:

Gloria, Gloria, In Excelsis Deo,
Gloria, Gloria, Alleluia, Alleluia
Gloria, Gloria, In Excelsis Deo,
Gloria, Gloria, Alleluia, Alleluia

Kyrie (in Lent or Advent):

Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Christ, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.
Lord, have mercy.

A moment of quiet

The Collect – a prayer for today

The Word of God *(Please sit)*



First Reading

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Psalm or Canticle or Hymn
(Please stand)

Each psalm ends with:
**Glorify to the Father
and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning
is now and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Second Reading

This is the word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Sermon *(Please sit)*

*The sermon is followed by a moment
a prayer of response and then an
affirmation of faith.*

(Please Stand)

Let us declare our faith in God:
**We believe in God the Father,
from whom every family in heaven
and on earth is named.**

**We believe in God the Son,
who lives in our hearts through
faith, and fills us with his love.**

**We believe in God the Holy Spirit,
who strengthens us
with power from on high.**

**We believe in one God;
Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen**

or

Let us affirm our faith in Jesus Christ
the Son of God:

**Though he was divine, he did not
cling to equality with God, but
made himself nothing.**

**Taking the form of a slave, he was
born in human likeness.**

**He humbled himself and was
obedient to death, even death on a
cross.**

**Therefore God has raised him on
high, and given him the name that
is above every name: that at the
name of Jesus every knee should
bow, and every voice proclaim that
Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of
God the Father. Amen**

Anthem and/or Hymn

*(Please sit for an anthem and
remain standing for a hymn)*

Prayers

(Please Sit or Kneel)

*We pray for the church and the
world. The following responses may
be used, or others as chosen:*

Lord in your mercy

Hear our prayer

or

Lord, hear us

Lord, graciously hear us.

Merciful Father,

**accept these prayers for the sake of
your Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.**

Amen

A moment of quiet

Gathering our prayers and praises
together, we pray with confidence
as our Saviour Jesus has taught us.

We sing:

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be 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, the power, and the
glory for ever and ever. Amen**

Hymn (Please stand)

*During this hymn a collection is
taken. The following prayer or other
is said by the minister:*

We give thanks to God for the
blessings of all that we receive and
can give back to him:

God of life, Saviour of the poor in Spirit, receive with this money and that given in other ways, our gratitude for your goodness. May all of our time, talents and wealth be used to proclaim your Good News and to extend your kingdom to the glory of your name. **Amen**

The Blessing

(Please Stand)

One of these blessings may be used, or other according to the season:

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep our hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among us and remain with us always. **Amen.**

or

The Lord bless us and keep us, the Lord make his face to shine upon us and be gracious to us, the Lord look kindly on us and give us peace.

And the blessing of God, Father Son and Holy Spirit, be upon us and remain with us now and always. **Amen**

or

The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen

Hymn

Our service is over Our worship begins

If you would like to talk or receive prayer, for yourself or someone else, please do speak with the service leader or preacher or member of the prayer team after the service.

Recessional Music

Afterwards, you are very welcome to stay for refreshments and with those coming to the next service.



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