MATINS ON ROGATION DAYS

May 26-28, 2025

Prayers

Rogation Days Collect.—Lord, all that is good comes from You. Listen to our prayers: inspire rightful ideas in us and direct us to act in accordance with

them. This we ask of You through our Lord; who lives and reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN.

Since at least the fifth century, the days before Ascension were set aside to pray for the blessing of seed and soil. The following prayers are provided for your individual or family devotion.

Monday.--Almighty God, You blessed the earth to make it fruitful, bringing forth in abundance whatever is needed for the support of our lives. Bless the labor of all those who work to grow and harvest food. Sustain farmers who annually place their livelihood in Your hands. Watch over all who harvest our food, especially migrant workers who move from place to place, toiling in the heat of the day. Provide adequate compensation for all who plant and harvest, and uphold them in times of trial, and teach us to be thankful for the good gifts You give through their efforts; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Tuesday.-- Gracious God, through His many miracles, Your Son Jesus demonstrated His Lordship over all creation. Send us, we pray, seasonable weather so that crops may be planted and harvested in due course. In those places where drought exists, send forth rains to water the earth. Protect us from the ravages of flood, fire, and hail, so that we may receive an abundant harvest from Your hand. With whatever You send, teach us to be thankful for the nourishment You provide for our bodies and to yearn for the nourishment that You provide for our souls through Your holy Word and Sacraments; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Wednesday.-- God of all mercy, You have blessed our nation with a stable infrastructure that provides for the preparation and transport of food to feed the people of this vast land. We give thanks for Your mercy and ask that You continue to supply us with safe and nutritious food. Hear us, we pray, on behalf of those around the world who do not enjoy such benefits. Where war and violence prevent the distribution of food, send peace. Where sanitation and disease threaten the food supply, send leaders who will strive to provide for the basic needs of their citizens. Finally, grant us cheerful hearts to give from our abundance to assist the hungry and starving; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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The Easter invitatory is repeated.

ASBH #34 "Our Father, Thou in Heaven Above"

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Second, as we consider this benefit of godliness is the matter that by the promise of this life is understood

to mean the reward in this life *cum exceptione crucis & salutis* [with the exception of the cross and salvation]. With this is indicated that it will not redound to our salvation and be of benefit to us that God the Lord, in this life, lays upon us the fatherly chastisement of crosses. Christ teaches us this in Mark 10:29-30: Anyone who forsakes house or brother or sister or father or mother or wife or children or land for My sake, and for the sake of the Gospel, will in this present time, receive a hundred-fold of houses and brothers and sisters and mothers and children and land amidst persecution; and in the future world, eternal life. Here, we clearly hear that the promise of this life or the reward of godliness in this life, takes place amidst persecution; that is to say, this will not occur apart from cross and adversity, for all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will have to suffer persecution (2 Tim. 3:12). My child, if you wish to be a servant of God, then prepare yourself for anxiety (Sir. 2:1). Since you love God, it has to be that you will not remain without anxiety, in order that you be preserved (Tob. 12:13).

It would be very easy for God to richly grant the godly everything good in this life; for Him to give them relief from all anxiety, tribulation and adversity; along with this, to give them riches, honor, health and all blessings. However, He knows very well that the godly still bear flesh and blood within them, which so very easily could abuse all of this and bring upon itself eternal retaliation. That's why He keeps them under the cross in this life and, at the same time, He does good things for them in the midst of cross and tribulation, in that, through the Holy Spirit, He mightily comforts and strengthens them, assures them of His grace, makes them to be happy and confident that they with David may say, from Psalm 119:71: I love that You have humbled me—understand, by means of cross and adversity—so that I may learn of Your righteousness. (Schola Pietatus-Volume 1 by Johann Gerhard, Repristination Press, p. 26-27)

MORNING PRAYER

In the morning when you get up, make the sign of the holy cross and say:

In the name of God the Father, + Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Then, kneeling or standing, repeat the Creed and the Lord's Prayer.

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate , was crucified , dead , and buried; He descended into hell ; the third day He rose again from the dead ; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty , from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

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 and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

If you choose, you may also say this little prayer:

Luther's Morning Prayer

I thank Thee, my Heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son, that Thou hast kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray Thee that Thou wouldst keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please Thee. For into Thy hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Thy holy angel be with me, that the wicked foe may have no power over me. Amen. *Then go joyfully to your work, singing a hymn, like that of the Ten Commandments, or whatever your devotion may suggest.*

Rogation Days



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James 5:16-20

16Confess your trespasses to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much. 17Elijah was a man with a nature like ours, and he prayed earnestly that it would not rain; and it did not rain on the land for three years and six months. 18And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth produced its fruit.

19Brethren, if anyone among you wanders from the truth, and someone turns him back, 20let him know that he who turns a sinner from the error of his way will save a soul from death and cover a multitude of sins.

St. Luke 11:5-13

5And He said to them, "Which of you shall have a friend, and go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves; 6'for a friend of mine has come to me on his journey, and I have nothing to set before him'; 7"and he will answer from within and say, 'Do not trouble me; the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot rise and give to you'? 8"I say to you, though he will not rise and give to him because he is his friend, yet because of his persistence he will rise and give him as many as he needs.

9"So I say to you, ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you. 10"For everyone who asks receives, and he who seeks finds, and to him who knocks it will be opened. 11"If a son asks for bread from any father among you, will he give him a stone? Or if he asks for a fish, will he give him a serpent instead of a fish? 12"Or if he asks for an egg, will he offer him a scorpion? 13"If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!" **St. Luke 17:1-11**

1 Then He said to the disciples, "It is impossible that no offenses should come, but woe to him through whom they do come! 2"It would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were thrown into the sea, than that he should offend one of these little ones. 3"Take heed to yourselves. If your brother sins against you, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him. 4"And if he sins against you seven times in a day, and seven times in a day returns to you, saying, 'I repent,' you shall forgive him."

5And the apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith." 6So the Lord said, "If you have faith as a mustard seed, you can say to this mulberry tree, 'Be pulled up by the roots and be planted in the sea,' and it would obey you. 7"And which of you, having a servant plowing or tending sheep, will say to him when he has come in from the field, 'Come at once and sit down to eat'? 8"But will he not rather say to him, 'Prepare something for my supper, and gird yourself and serve me till I have eaten and drunk, and afterward you will eat and drink'? 9"Does he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I think not. 10"So likewise you, when you have done all those things which you are commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants. We have done what was our duty to do.'"

11Now it happened as He went to Jerusalem that He passed through the midst of Samaria and Galilee.

1 Peter 2:1-17

1Therefore, laying aside all malice, all deceit, hypocrisy, envy, and all evil speaking, 2as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, that you may grow thereby, 3if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

4Coming to Him as to a living stone, rejected indeed by men, but chosen by God and precious, 5you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. 6Therefore it is also contained in the Scripture, "Behold, I lay in Zion A chief cornerstone, elect, precious, And he who believes on Him will by no means be put to shame."

7Therefore, to you who believe, He is precious; but to those who are disobedient,

"The stone which the builders rejected Has become the chief cornerstone," 8 and "A stone of stumbling And a rock of offense." They stumble, being disobedient to the word, to which they also were appointed. 9But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light; 10who once were not a people but are now the people of God, who had not obtained mercy but now have obtained mercy.

11Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul, 12having your conduct honorable among the Gentiles, that when they speak against you as evildoers, they may, by your good works which they observe, glorify God in the day of visitation.

13Therefore submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake, whether to the king as supreme, 14or to governors, as to those who are sent by him for the punishment of evildoers and for the praise of those who do good. 15For this is the will of God, that by doing good you may put to silence the ignorance of foolish men—16as free, yet not using liberty as a cloak for vice, but as bondservants

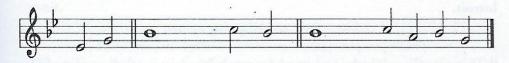
of God. 17Honor all people. Love the brotherhood. Fear God. Honor the king.

1 Peter 4:1-17

1Therefore, since Christ suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves also with the same mind, for he who has suffered in the flesh has ceased from sin, 2that he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh for the lusts of men, but for the will of God. 3For we have spent enough of our past lifetime in doing the will of the Gentiles—when we walked in lewdness, lusts, drunkenness, revelries, drinking parties, and abominable idolatries. 4In regard to these, they think it strange that you do not run with them in the same flood of dissipation, speaking evil of you. 5They will give an account to Him who is ready to judge the living and the dead. 6For this reason the gospel was preached also to those who are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit.

7But the end of all things is at hand; therefore be serious and watchful in your prayers. 8And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins." 9Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. 10As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. 11If anyone speaks, let him speak as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

12Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you, as though some strange thing happened to you; 13but rejoice to the extent that you partake of Christ's sufferings, that when His glory is revealed, you may also be glad with exceeding joy. 14If you are reproached for the name of Christ, blessed are you, for the Spirit of glory and of God rests upon you. On their part He is blasphemed, but on your part He is glorified. 15But let none of you suffer as a murderer, a thief, an evildoer, or as a busybody in other people's matters. 16Yet if anyone suffers as a Christian, let him not be ashamed, but let him glorify God in this matter. 17For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God? **ROGATION DAYS (MONDAY-WEDNESDAY OF ROGATE). (VIOLET) PSALM 70 (** The Divine Service begins with the Procession with the Litany (sung or spoken) and the singing of Psalm 70. The Litany Office (or another Prayer Office) may be used on those Rogation Days when the Divine Service is not observed. If only one Divine Service is celebrated on Rogation Wednesday, the Day shall be observed as Vigil of the Ascension, with an evening observance.



Introit.

Ant. A- RISE || O | Lord | - :

help us and deliver us | for | Thy | Name's | sake.

Psalm. || We have heard, O God, with | our | ears:

our fath- | ers | have | told | us.

GLO-RY || be to the Father and to the | Son | - :

and to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost.

AS IT || was in the beginning, is now, and ever | shall | be: world with- | out | end. | A- | men. (Ant. Repeated.)

Collect.

Grant, we beseech Thee, O almighty God, that we, who in our affliction put our trust in Thy mercy, may ever be defended by Thy protection against all adversity. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, who liveth and reigneth with Thee and the Holy Ghost, ever One God, world without end. *Amen*.

Epistle. James 5:16-20

Gospel. St. Luke 11:5-13

Gradual.

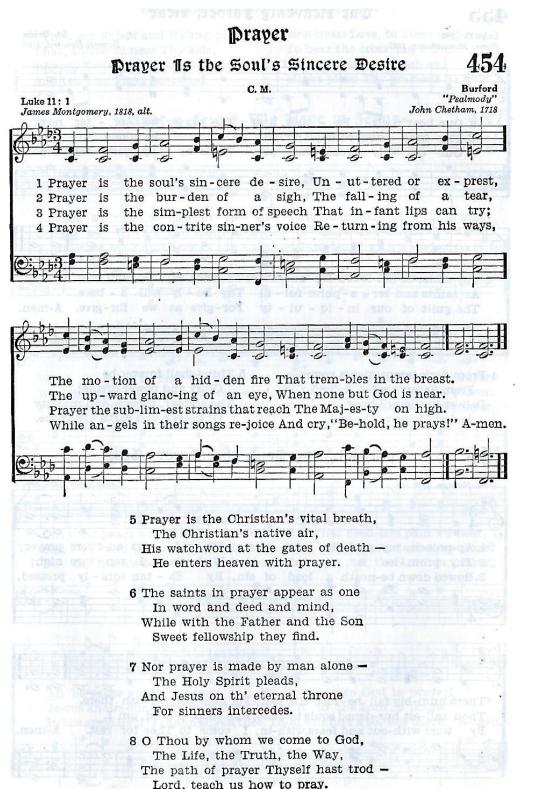
|| O Lord, Thou hast saved us from our | ene- | mies:

and hast put them to shame | that | hat- | ed | us. || In God we boast all the day | long | - :

and praise Thy | name | for | ev- | er.

|| Hallelujah. Hallelujah. Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of | Thy | Name:

and deliver us, and purge away our sins, for 'Thy name's sake. Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is their God? | Hal- | le- | lu- | jah.



Psalms for Rogation Days

Psalm 67—Deus misereatur nostri

To the Chief Musician. On stringed instruments. A Psalm. A Song.

Psalm Tone IV



- Antiphon: LET **THE -** || peoples praise | You, | O | God; | * Let all | the | peo- | ples | praise | You.
- || 1 God be merciful to | us | and | bless | us, * And cause His face | to | shine | up- | on us.
 || 2 That Your way may be | known | on | earth, | - *
- Your salvation | a- | mong | all | na- | tions.
- || 3 Let the peoples praise | You, | O | God; | * Let all | the | peo- | ples | praise | You.
- || 4 Oh, let the nations be glad and | sing | for | joy! | * For You shall judge the people righteously, and govern | the | na- | tions | on | earth.
- || 5 Let the peoples praise | You, | O | God; | * Let all | the | peo- | ples | praise | You.
- || 6 Then the earth shall | yield | her | in- | crease; * God, our | own | God, | shall | bless | us.
- $\parallel 7 \text{ God} \mid \text{shall} \mid -- \mid \text{bless} \mid \text{us}, *$
 - And all the ends of | the | earth | shall | fear | Him.
- GLO- RY || be to the Father, and | to | the | Son: | * and | to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost;

AS IT - || was in the begin *-ning*, (+) is now, and | ev- | er | shall | be: *

world | with- | out | end. | A- | men.

Antiphon: || Let the peoples praise | You, | O | God; | - * Let all | the | peo- | ples | praise | You.

Psalm 104—Benedic, anima mea



Antiphon: BLESS THE || Lord, O my | soul! | - * O Lord my God, You are very great: You are clothed with honor | and | maj- | es- | ty.

 \parallel 1 Bless the Lord, O my \mid soul! \mid - *

O Lord my God, You are very great: You are clothed with honor | and | maj- | es- | ty,

|| 2 Who cover Yourself with light as with a | gar- | ment, * Who stretch out the heavens | like | a | cur- | tain.

|| 3 He lays the beams of His upper chambers in the | wa- | ters, *

Who makes the clouds His chariot, Who walks on the | wings | of | the | wind,

|| 4 Who makes His angels | spi- | rits, *

His ministers | a | flame | of | fire.

|| 5 You who laid the foundations of the | earth, | - * So that it should not be | moved | for- | ev- | er,

 $\parallel 6$ You covered it with the deep as with a \mid gar- \mid ment; *

The waters stood a- | bove | the | moun- | tains.



- || 7 At Your rebuke they | fled; | * At the voice of Your thunder they | hast- | ened | a- | way.
 || 8 They went up over the | moun- | tains; * They went down into the valleys, to the place which You | found- | ed | for | them.
 || 9 You have set a boundary that they may not pass | o- | ver, * That they may not return to | cov- | er | the | earth.
- || 10 He sends the springs into the | val- | leys, * They flow | a- | mong | the | hills.
- || 11 They give drink to every beast of the | field; | * The wild don- | keys | quench | their | thirst.
- || 12 By them the birds of the heavens have their | home; | * They sing a- | mong | the | branch- | es.
- || 13 He waters the hills from His upper | cham- | bers; * The earth is satisfied with the | fruit | of | Your | works.

|| 14 He causes the grass to grow for the | cat- | tle, * And vegetation for the | ser- | vice | of | man,

|| That He may bring forth food from the earth, (+) 15 and

wine that makes glad the heart of | man, | - *

Oil to make his face shine, and bread which | strength-| ens | man's | heart.

|| 16 The trees of the Lord are full of | sap, | - *

The cedars of Lebanon | which | He | plant- | ed,

- || 17 Where the birds make their | nests; | * The stork has her home | in | the | fir | trees.
- || 18 The high hills are for the wild | goats; | * The cliffs are a refuge for | the | rock | bad- | gers.



- || 19 He appointed the moon for | sea- | sons; * The sun knows | its | go- | ing | down.
- || 20 You make darkness, and it is | night, | * In which all the beasts of the for- | est | creep | a- | bout.
- || 21 The young lions roar after their | prey, | * And seek | their | food | from | God.
- || 22 When the sun rises, they gather to- | geth- | er * And lie | down | in | their | dens.
- || 23 Man goes out to his work and to his | la- | bor * Un- | til | the | e-ven- • | ing.
- || 24 O Lord, how manifold are Your | works! | * In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of | Your | pos- | ses- | sions
- || 25 —This great and wide | sea, | * In which are innumerable teeming things, living things | both | small | and | great.
- \parallel 26 There the ships sail about; There is that Le- \mid vi-a- $\cdot \mid$ than *
 - Which You have | made | to | play | there.
- \parallel 27 These all wait for \mid You, \mid *
 - That You may give them their food | in | due | sea- | son.
- $\parallel 28$ What You give them they gather \mid in; \mid *
 - You open Your hand, they | are | filled | with | good.
- || 29 You hide Your face, they are | trou- | bled; * You take away their breath, they die and re- | turn | to | their | dust.



- || 30 You send forth Your Spirit, they are cre- | at- | ed; * And You renew the | face | of | the | earth.
- || 31 May the glory of the Lord endure for- | ev- | er; * May the Lord re- | joice | in | His | works.
- || 32 He looks on the earth, and it | trem- | bles; * He touches the | hills, | and | they | smoke.
- || 33 I will sing to the Lord as long as I | live; | * I will sing praise to my God while I | have | my | be- | ing.
- || 34 May my meditation be sweet to | Him; | * I will be | glad | in | the | Lord.
- || 35 May sinners be consumed from the earth, (+) and the wicked be no | more. | *
 - Bless the Lord, O my soul! | Praise | | the | Lord!
- GLO- RY || be to the Father, and to the | Son: | * and to | the | Ho- | ly | Ghost;
- AS IT || was in the begin -ning, (+) is now, and ever | shall | be: *
 - world with- | out | end. | A- | men.
- Antiphon: || Bless the Lord, O my | soul! | *
 - O Lord my God, You are very great: You are clothed with honor | and | maj- | es- | ty.

Psalm 47—*Omnes gentes, plaudite To the Chief Musician. A Psalm of the sons of Korah.*



Antiphon: OH, CLAP || your hands, | all | you | peo- | ples! * Shout to God with the voice | of | tri- | umph! -

|| 1 Oh, clap your hands, | all | you | **peo-** | ples! * Shout to God with the voice | of | tri- | umph! -|| 2 For the Lord Most | High | is | awe- | some; * He is a great King over | all | the | earth. - \parallel 3 He will subdue the | peo- | ples | *un-der* · | us, * And the nations un- | der | our | feet. -|| 4 He will choose our inher- | i- | tance | for | us, * The excellence of Jacob | whom | He | loves. - \parallel 5 God has gone \mid up \mid with \mid a \mid shout * The Lord with the sound of | a | trum- | pet. -|| 6 Sing praises to | God, | sing | **prais-** | es! * Sing praises to our King, | sing | prais- | es! -|| 7 For God is the King | of | all | **the** | earth; * Sing praises with un- | der- | stand- | ing. -|| 8 God reigns o- | ver | the | na- | tions; * God sits on His | ho- | ly | throne. - $\parallel 9$ The princes of the people have gathered togeth -er, (+) the people of the | God | of | *A-bra-* \cdot | ham. * For the shields of the earth belong to God; He is greatly | ex - | alt - | ed. -

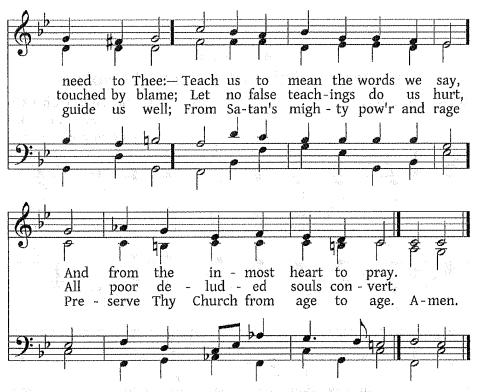


GLO- **RY** - || be to the Father, | and | to | **the** - | Son: * and to the | Ho- | ly | **Ghost;** -AS **IT** - || was in the begin *-ning*, (+) is now, and | ev- | er | **shall** - | be: *

world without | end. | A- | men. –

Antiphon: || Oh, clap your hands, | all | you | peo- | ples! * Shout to God with the voice | of | tri- | **umph! -**





4. Thy will be done on earth, O Lord, As where in heav'n Thou art adored! Patience in time of grief bestow, Obedience in weal and woe; Our sinful flesh and blood control That thwart Thy will within the soul. 7. Into temptation lead us not; And when the Foe doth war and plot Against our souls on ev'ry hand, Then armed with faith, O may we stand Against him as a valiant host, Through comfort of the Holy Ghost.

5. Give us this day our daily bread And all that for this life we need; From war and strife be our Defence, From famine and from pestilence, That we may live in godly peace, Unvexed by cares and avarice.

6. Lord, all our trespasses forgive, That they our hearts

no more may grieve, As we forgive their trespasses Who unto us have done amiss; Thus let us dwell in charity, And serve each other willingly. 8. From evil, Lord, deliver us! The times and days are perilous; Redeem us from eternal death; And when we yield our dying breath, Console us, grant us calm release, And take our souls to Thee in peace.

9. Amen! that is, So let it be! Confirm our faith continually, That we may doubt not, but believe That what we ask we shall receive; Thus in Thy name and at Thy Word We say: Amen; O hear us, Lord!