† A PRAYER OF BLESSING ON THIS NEW DAY

[In your own words. Leader may also lift up any known prayer requests.]

† BENEDICTION

Go forth into this day with the strong name of Jesus Christ to sustain you.

THE GRACE OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST BE WITH US ALL. AMEN.

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† LIGHTING OF THE CHRIST CANDLE

† OPENING

O God, open our lips,

AND WE SHALL DECLARE YOUR PRAISE.

(Psalm 51:15)

God said: Let there be light; and there was light.

And God saw that the light was good. This very day the

Lord has acted!

LET US REJOICE!

Praise the Lord!

GOD'S NAME BE PRAISED!

† MORNING PRAYER

New every morning is your love, great God of light,
AND ALL DAY LONG YOU ARE WORKING FOR GOOD IN THE
WORLD. STIR UP IN US DESIRE TO SERVE YOU, TO LIVE
PEACEFULLY WITH OUR NEIGHBORS, AND TO DEVOTE THIS DAY
TO YOUR SON, OUR SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST THE LORD. AMEN.

† New Every Morning

† PSALM 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills—from where will my help come? MY HELP COMES FROM THE LORD, WHO MADE HEAVEN AND EARTH.

He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber.

HE WHO KEEPS ISRAEL WILL NEITHER SLUMBER NOR SLEEP.

The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade at your right hand.

THE SUN SHALL NOT STRIKE YOU BY DAY, NOR THE MOON BY NIGHT.

The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life

THE LORD WILL KEEP YOUR GOING OUT AND YOUR COMING IN FROM THIS TIME ON AND FOREVERMORE

PSALM PRAYER

Let us pray together.

WE PRAISE YOU WITH JOY, LOVING GOD,
FOR YOUR GRACE IS BETTER THAN LIFE ITSELF.
YOU HAVE SUSTAINED US THROUGH THE DARKNESS;
AND YOU BLESS US WITH LIFE IN THIS NEW DAY.
IN THE SHADOW OF YOUR WINGS WE SING FOR JOY

N THE SHADOW OF YOUR WINGS WE SING FOR JOY AND BLESS YOUR HOLY NAME. AMEN.

READING FROM SCRIPTURE

(After the reading)

This is the Word of the Lord!
THANKS BE TO GOD.

SILENCE

CANTICLE OF MARY (Luke 1:46-55)

Leader: My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord;

my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; for he has looked with favor on his

lowly servant.

Response: From this day all generations will call me

blessed; the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

Leader: He has mercy on those who fear him

in every generation.

Response: He has shown the strength of his arm,

he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

Leader: He has cast down the mighty from their

thrones, and has lifted up the lowly.

Response: He has filled the hungry with good things,

And the rich he has sent away empty.

Leader: He has come to the help of his servant Israel

for he has remembered his promise

of mercy,

Response: The promise he made to our fathers,

to Abraham and his children for ever.

Holy Spirit, Guide Me

† THE LORD'S PRAYER

As Jesus taught us, so we say,

OUR FATHER IN HEAVEN,

HALLOWED BE YOUR NAME,

YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE,

ON EARTH AS IN HEAVEN.

GIVE US TODAY OUR DAILY BREAD.

FORGIVE US OUR SINS AS WE FORGIVE THOSE

WHO SIN AGAINST US.

SAVE US FROM THE TIME OF TRIAL,

AND DELIVER US FROM EVIL.

FOR THE KINGDOM, THE POWER, AND THE GLORY

ARE YOURS

NOW AND FOR EVER.

AMEN.