

All Saints Church, Helmsley
The Deanery of Northern Ryedale

Morning Prayer



Holy Cross Day
Monday 14 September 2020
10am

*Please join in where the print is **bold***

BEFORE THE SERVICE WE STILL OUR MINDS AND HEARTS. GENERAL CONVERSATION IS ENCOURAGED AFTER THE SERVICE RATHER THAN BEFORE.

Light a candle, if you have one, as the service begins:

Christ is the Light of the World, in him there is no darkness at all.

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

Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving power among the nations.

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation,
to you be praise and glory for ever.
As a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief
your only Son was lifted up
that he might draw the whole world to himself.
May we walk this day in the way of the cross
and always be ready to share its weight,
declaring your love for all the world.
Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever.

Psalms 103.8-18

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

Pause for reflection as we offer the day to God.

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 for ever. **Amen.**

Psalm 2

Why are the nations in tumult,
and why do the peoples devise a vain plot?

**The kings of the earth rise up,
and the rulers take counsel together,
against the Lord and against his anointed:**

‘Let us break their bonds asunder
and cast away their cords from us.’

**He who dwells in heaven shall laugh them to scorn;
the Lord shall have them in derision.**

Then shall he speak to them in his wrath
and terrify them in his fury:

**‘Yet have I set my king
upon my holy hill of Zion.’**

I will proclaim the decree of the Lord;
he said to me: ‘You are my Son; this day have I begotten you.

**‘Ask of me and I will give you the nations for your inheritance
and the ends of the earth for your possession.**

‘You shall break them with a rod of iron
and dash them in pieces like a potter’s vessel.’

**Now therefore be wise, O kings;
be prudent, you judges of the earth.**

Serve the Lord with fear, and with trembling kiss his feet,
lest he be angry and you perish from the way,
for his wrath is quickly kindled.

**Happy are all they
who take refuge in him.**

**Glory 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.**

John 12.27-36a

‘Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say—“Father, save me from this hour”? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name.’ Then a voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was

thunder. Others said, ‘An angel has spoken to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgement of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.’ He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, ‘We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains for ever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?’ Jesus said to them, ‘The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light.’

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Homily and Silence

We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you;
by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.
God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong.
We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.
We preach Christ crucified,
the power of God and the wisdom of God.
By your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.
God forbid that I should glory,
save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.
We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you;
by your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.

Benedictus

Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel,
who has come to his people and set them free.

**He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour,
born of the house of his servant David.**

Through his holy prophets God promised of old
to save us from our enemies,
from the hands of all that hate us,

**To show mercy to our ancestors,
and to remember his holy covenant.**

This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham:
to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

**Free to worship him without fear,
holy and righteous in his sight
all the days of our life.**

And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,

**To give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of all their sins.**

In the tender compassion of our God
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow
of death,
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.**

Luke 1.68-79

**Glory 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.**

The Intercession

Almighty God,
who in the passion of your blessed Son
made an instrument of painful death
to be for us the means of life and peace:
grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ
that we may gladly suffer for his sake;
who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Standing at the foot of the cross as our Saviour has taught us
so we pray:

**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.**

The Lord bless us, and preserve us from all evil,
and keep us in eternal life.
Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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