

(The final collect is always the Collect for Grace)

COLLECT FOR GRACE

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have safely brought us to the beginning of this day; defend us with your mighty power and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger, but that all our doings, being ordered by your governance, may be righteous in your sight; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BENEDICAMUS and BLESSING.

Let us bless the Lord:

Thanks be to God!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit ✠ be with you (*us*) all.

Amen.

(Silent prayer)

The Lessons and Prayers of the Church at

MATINS

(morning lessons and prayers)



LENT

A hymn of invocation to the Holy Spirit or another hymn may be sung.

Opening VERSICLES, GLORIA PATRI, and LAUS TIBI (ascription of praise) for LENT

O Lord, open my lips;

and my mouth will declare Your praise.

Make haste, O God, to deliver me;

make haste to help me, O Lord.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Praise to you, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

THE VENITE

One of the following LENTEN INVITATORIES precedes and follows the the VENITE.

a. The Lord is near to all who call on Him.

b. The Lord has redeemed his people.

Oh, come, let us worship him.

The Venite

Psalm 95:1-7a

(chanted versions: LSB pp. 220f; 236f / LW pp. 209f; 237f / TLH pp. 33f)

The Office Hymn

THE PSALMS

An ANTIPHON suitable to the LENTEN season, such as the following, may precede and follow each PSALM.

- a. Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful,
slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.
- b. The Lord delivers us from the power of darkness,
and leads us into the kingdom of His Son.

One or more PSALMS are sung or said, each concluding with the GLORIA PATRI.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

One or more SCRIPTURE LESSONS follow.

After each reading follows:

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Thanks be to You, O Lord.

After the final reading follows the RESPONSORY FOR LENT

We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

He was delivered up to death; he was delivered for the sins of his people.

Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven and whose sin is put away.

He was delivered up to death; he was delivered for the sins of his people.

We have an advocate with the Father; Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.

He was delivered up to death; he was delivered for the sins of his people.

(1 John 2:1-2; Psalm 32:1)

The SERMON

may follow.

The OFFERINGS may be received.

THE GOSPEL CANTICLE

The Te Deum Laudamus

the ancient creedal hymn of the Church (hymn versions: LSB 940-941 / LW 171 / TLH 250)

(or chanted versions: LSB pp. 223f or 939f / LW 8 or pp. 214f, or pp. 246f / TLH pp.35f / Luther's)

or

The following LENTEN ANTIPHON for the BENEDICTUS may precede and follow the Canticle

Let justice roll on like a river,

righteousness like a never-failing stream.

(Amos 5:24)

The Benedictus

*The song of Zechariah, at the birth of his son John the Baptist,
who prepared the way for the Christ (Luke 1:68-79)*

(chanted versions: LSB pp. 226f, 238f, or hymn 936 / LW pp. 217f or 239f / TLH pp. 38f)

THE PRAYERS

*The MORNING SUFFRAGES, the GREAT LITANY,
or another suitable LITANY may be used instead of the following..
(LW pp. 270-287 / TLH pp. 110-117 and TLH 661)*

The Prayers: The KYRIE, the LORD'S PRAYER, the SALUTATION and the COLLECTS.

Lord, have mercy upon us.

Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father, Who art in heaven...

The Lord be with you.

OR

O Lord, hear my prayer.

And with your spirit.

And let my cry come to You.

Let us pray...

*Each collect may be preceded with a VERSICLE befitting the LENTEN season
and the subject of the prayer, such as the following:*

- a. Save me from the lion's mouth, O Lord
and deliver me from the horns of the wild oxen!
- b. Christ became obedient unto death
even the death of a cross.
- c. Christ was wounded for our transgressions;
He was bruised for our iniquities.

*The first collect should be the Collect of the Day for the particular day or for the preceding Sunday together with
the Collect for Ash Wednesday (throughout LENT), which may be followed by collects for local circumstances.*

IN LATE AFTERNOON

O Lord, our dwelling place and our peace, You have pity on our weaknesses, put far from us all worry and fearfulness that, having confessed our sins and commending ourselves to your gracious mercy, we may, when night shall come, commit ourselves, our work, and all we love into Your keeping, receiving from You the gift of quiet sleep; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

IN THE EVENING

O Lord God, the life of all the living, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labor, and the repose of the blessed dead, grant us a peaceful night free from all disturbance that after a time of quiet slumber we may by your goodness be endued in the new day with the guidance of Your Holy Spirit and enabled in peace to render thanks to You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

(The final collect is always the Collect for Peace)

COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from Whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give to us, Your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Savior, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

BENEDICAMUS and BLESSING.

Let us bless the Lord:

Thanks be to God!

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the Love of God, and the Communion of the Holy Spirit be with you (us) all.

Amen.

(Silent prayer)

The Lessons and Prayers of the Church at

VESPERS

(evening lessons and prayers)



LENT

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and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Praise to you, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.

THE PSALMS

An ANTIPHON suitable to the LENTEN season, such as the following, may precede and follow each PSALM.

a. Return to the Lord your God, for He is gracious and merciful,

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and leads us into the kingdom of His Son.

One or more PSALMS are sung or said, each concluding with the GLORIA PATRI.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

One or more Scripture Lessons follow.

After each reading follows:

O Lord, have mercy upon us.

Thanks be to You, O Lord.

After the final reading follows the RESPONSORY FOR LENT

a. Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

In You, O Lord, do I put my trust, leave me not, O Lord, my God.

Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

Deliver me, O Lord, my God, for You are the God of my salvation.

Rescue me from my enemies, protect me from those who rise against me.

(Psalm 51:14; 141:8; 59:1)

Or

b. He was brought as a lamb to the slaughter, He was oppressed, and He was afflicted.

He was delivered up to death that He might give His people life.

In Salem also is His tabernacle and His dwelling place in Zion.

He was delivered up to death that He might give His people life.

(Isaiah 53:7; Psalm 76:2)

A Hymn may follow.

The Sermon

may follow.

The OFFERINGS may be received.

The Office Hymn

THE GOSPEL CANTICLE

Then may be said or chanted the VERSICLE.

Let my prayer be set before You as incense,

And the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

(Psalm 141:2)

The following LENTEN ANTIPHON for the MAGNIFICAT may precede and follow the canticle.

Let justice roll on like a river,

righteousness like a never-failing stream.

(Amos 5:24)

The Magnificat

The song of Mary (Luke 1:46-55)

(chanted versions: LSB pp. 231f, 248f / LW pp. 228f or 225f / TLH pp. 43f)

(or the hymn version, LSB 933-935 / LW 211 / TLH 275).

THE PRAYERS

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including the following:*

AT MID-AFTERNOON (VESPERS)

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and further us
with your continual help that in all our doings begun, continued, and ended in You
we may glorify Your holy name and finally by your mercy obtain eternal salvation;
through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.