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The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

In the morning, O Lord, You hear my voice;
in the morning I prepare a sacrifice for You and watch.

My mouth is filled with Your praise,
and with Your glory all the day.

O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare Your praise.

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.

Reading

Psalm 68:1-10

- ¹God shall arise, his enemies shall be | scattered;*
and those who hate him shall flee be- | fore him!
- ²As smoke is driven away, so you shall drive | them away;*
as wax melts before fire,
so the wicked shall perish be- | fore God!
- ³But the righteous shall be glad;
they shall exult be- | fore God;*
they shall be jubilant | with joy!
- ⁴Sing to God, sing praises | to his name;*
lift up a song to him who rides through the deserts;
his name is the LORD;
exult be- | fore him!
- ⁵Father of the fatherless and protector of | widows*
is God in his holy habi- | tation.
- ⁶God settles the solitary in a home;
he leads out the prisoners to pros- | perity,*
but the rebellious dwell in a | parched land.

⁷O God, when you went out before your | people,*
when you marched through the | wilderness,
⁸the earth quaked, the heavens poured down rain,
before God, the One of | Sinai,*
before God, the God of | Israel.
⁹Rain in abundance, O God, you | shed abroad;*
you restored your inheritance as it | languished;
¹⁰your flock found a dwell- | ing in it;*
in your goodness, O God, you provided for the | needy.

Meditation on the Hymn

539 Christ Is the World's Redeemer

- 1 Christ is the world's Redeemer,
The lover of the pure,
The font of heav'nly wisdom,
Our trust and hope secure,
The armor of His soldiers,
The Lord of earth and sky,
Our health while we are living,
Our life when we shall die.
- 2 Christ has our host surrounded
With clouds of martyrs bright,
Who wave their palms in triumph
And fire us for the fight.
Then Christ the cross ascended
To save a world undone
And, suff'ring for the sinful,
Our full redemption won.
- 3 Down through the realm of darkness
He strode in victory,
And at the hour appointed
He rose triumphantly.
And now, to heav'n ascended,
He sits upon the throne
Whence He had ne'er departed,
His Father's and His own.

△ 4 Glory to God the Father,
 The unbegotten One,
All honor be to Jesus,
 His sole-begotten Son,
And to the Holy Spirit—
 The perfect Trinity.
Let all the worlds give answer:
 Amen! So let it be.

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Apostles' Creed

C 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 Spirit,
 born of the virgin Mary,
 suffered under Pontius Pilate,
 was crucified, died and was buried.
 He descended into hell.
 The third day He rose again from the dead.
 He ascended into heaven
 and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.
 From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

Lord's Prayer

C 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.

Concluding prayers:

Almighty God, merciful Father, who created and completed all things, on this day when the work of our calling begins anew, we implore You to create its beginning, direct its continuance, and bless its end, that our doings may be preserved from sin, our life sanctified, and our work this day be well pleasing to You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Then go joyfully to your work.

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