

Noon Day Prayer – Fifth Week of Easter
St Matthew – St Aidan, Buckhorn, Ontario
By Zoom – 1 May 2024

Officiant In your resurrection, O Christ,
People **let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia.**

A hymn

Christ yesterday and today,
the beginning and the end,
Alpha and Omega,
all time belongs to you,
and all ages;
to you be glory and power
through every age and for ever. **Amen.**

From the Easter Vigil

Psalm 61, 62

Officiant Hear my cry, O God;
listen to my prayer.

People **From the end of the earth I call to you,
when my heart is faint.**

Lead me to the rock
that is higher than I;

³ **for you are my refuge,
a strong tower against the enemy.**

⁴ Let me abide in your tent for ever,
find refuge under the shelter of your wings.

⁵ **For you, O God, have heard my vows;
you have given me the heritage of those who fear your name.**

⁶ Prolong the life of the king;
may his years endure to all generations!

**⁷ May he be enthroned for ever before God;
appoint steadfast love and faithfulness to watch over him!**

⁸ So I will always sing praises to your name,
as I pay my vows day after day.

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**¹ For God alone my soul waits in silence;
from him comes my salvation.**

² He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall never be shaken.

**³ How long will you assail a person,
will you batter your victim, all of you,
as you would a leaning wall, a tottering fence?**

⁴ Their only plan is to bring down a person of prominence.
They take pleasure in falsehood;
they bless with their mouths,
but inwardly they curse.

**⁵ For God alone my soul waits in silence,
for my hope is from him.**

⁶ He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

**⁷ On God rests my deliverance and my honour;
my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.**

⁸ Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.

**⁹ Those of low estate are but a breath,
those of high estate are a delusion;
in the balances they go up;
they are together lighter than a breath.**

¹⁰ Put no confidence in extortion,
and set no vain hopes on robbery;
if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.

¹¹ **Once God has spoken;
twice have I heard this:
that power belongs to God,**

¹² and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.
For you repay to all
according to their work.

Psalm Prayer

All **Lord God, in a threatening world we look to you as our rock of hope. Hear us as we pour out our hearts to you, and give us your grace and protection, through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

A Short Reading

A period of silence for reflection will follow the reading.

Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in hope, be patient in suffering, persevere in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints; extend hospitality to strangers. *Romans 12.9-13*

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

A period of silence follows.

Intercessions *The intercessor invites the people to prayer in these or similar words,*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God, saying, “_____.”

Collect

Officiant Almighty God,
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ
have overcome death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life:
grant that, as by your grace going before us
you put into our minds good desires,
so by your continual help
we may bring them to good effect;
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord,

who is alive and reigns with you,
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Officiant Uniting our prayers with the whole company of heaven,
as our Saviour taught us, so we pray:

All **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.**

Blessing

Dismissal

Officiant May the Risen Christ give us peace. Alleluia!
People **Alleluia! Amen.**

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