### **Morning Prayer**

# Opening Sentences:

"The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases, His mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is Your faithfulness."

Lam. 3:22-23

Morning Psalm, Song or Hymn

Suggestions: Psalm 46, Psalm 95:1-7, Psalm 100

#### Prayer

God of all mercies, we praise you that you have brought us to this new day. You brighten our lives with the dawn of promise and hope in Jesus Christ. Especially we thank you for:

the miracle of life and the wonder of living . . . particular blessings coming to us in this day . . . the presence and power of your Spirit . . . the support and encouragement we receive from others . . . (add your own prayers of thanks)

Merciful God, strengthen us in prayer that we may lift up the brokenness of this world for your healing, and share in the saving love of Jesus Christ. Especially we pray for . . .

those who are most vulnerable to the coronavirus . . . all who work to help and to heal and other agents of caring and relief . . . those in positions of authority over others . . . those whose livelihoods are threaten by the downturn in the economy . . . those who are anxious and afraid . . . (add your own prayers of intercession).

As you cause the sun to rise, O God, bring the light of Christ to dawn in our souls and dispel all darkness. Give us grace to reflect Christ's glory; and let his love show in our deeds, his peace shine in our words, and his healing in our touch, that all may give him praise, now and forever. Amen.

### **Evening Prayer**

## **Opening Sentences**

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"The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures;

He leads me beside still waters;

He restores my soul . . ."

Ps. 23:1-2
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Evening Psalm, Song, or Hymn

Suggestions: Psalm 23, Psalm 121, Psalm 103:1-14

Prayer

Merciful God, we praise you that you give strength for every weakness, forgiveness for our failures, and new beginnings in Jesus Christ. Especially we thank you for . . .

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the guidance of your Spirit through this day . . . signs of new life and hope . . . people who have helped us . . .
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Forgive us this day for . . .

things we have done that were selfish, hurtful, or displeasing to you Lord . . . things we did not do that could have been helpful, kind, or compassionate . . .

Prayers for those we love . . .

Prayers for those who are hurting . . .

To you, O God, we give up the burdens of this day, trusting your love and mercy.
To you, O God, we surrender ourselves, trusting our risen Lord to lead us always in the way of life.
To you, O God, we turn for rest. Calm our souls and refresh us with your peace.
We pray through Christ our Lord. Amen.