

An OBM Shorter Office for Monday Morning and Pentecost

Becoming present to God

Through a sign of attentiveness like lighting a candle and/or

+ In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit

God of hope, we wait for your Spirit.

Fill our hearts again with your love.

Celebrating the presence of God

Life-giving God,

from the shadow of your wings

everything comes into being.

Through the sending of your Son

we are called from darkness

into your marvellous light.

By the breath of your Spirit

our life is re-made.

For your self-giving love,

your enabling power,

your renewing presence,

we praise you. (A pause to name any specific thanks or praise)

Acknowledging our humanity

Living God,

in your great love you call us children of God.

What we will be has not yet been made known.

But we know that when Christ appears

we shall be like him,

for we shall see him as he is.

Where we have fallen short of his glory,

Lord have mercy

Christ have mercy.

Quiet confession

Merciful God,

by your Spirit, lead us more deeply

into what it means to be your children. Amen.

Listening for the Word *The Common Lectionary* - Gospel (and/or other readings)

Canticle – (Optional) – Song of the Lord's Transforming Spirit

The Lord is the Spirit ***and where the Spirit of the Lord is there is freedom.***

And all of us with unveiled faces,

seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror,

are being transformed into the same image

from one degree of glory to another;

for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. (From 2 Corinthians 3.17-18 NRSV)

Reflecting on our roots

Living God, enable us this day

to be pilgrims and companions:

committed to the way of Christ,

faithful to the call of Christ,

discerning the mind of Christ,

offering the welcome of Christ,

growing in the likeness of Christ,

engaging in the mission of Christ,

in the world that belongs to Christ.

Bringing our concerns

Transforming God,

by your Spirit you are leading all creation

into the freedom of the glory of the children of God.

Hear us as we bring before you

those who long for a way through their struggle:

those waiting and working with hope,

and those in despair. (Free prayer for church, world, others)

Lord's Prayer

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.

Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Going to love and serve

And now, Lord and Giver of Life,

may your Spirit lead us and all creation into your liberty and glory. Amen.

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