

Prayers

Prayers for the mission of the church

The Collect of the day or the following prayer is said

Almighty God,
your Son Jesus Christ is the light of the world.
Grant that your people may shine with the radiance of his glory,
that he may be known, worshipped and obeyed
to the ends of the earth,
now and for ever. *Book of Common Order (Church of Scotland)*

The Lord's Prayer is said.

All

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

**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 forever.
Amen.**

The Conclusion

All

May the light of Christ our Lord shine in all our hearts.
Amen.

Prayer During the Day for the mission of the church

Preparation

All O God, make speed to save us.
O Lord, make haste to help us.

With you, O God, is the well of life
and in your light shall we see light.
O continue your loving-kindness to those who know you
and your righteousness to those who are true of heart.

Psalm 36.9,10

Praise

- 1 Jesus, Saviour of the world, come to us in your mercy: ♦
we look to you to save and help us.
- 2 **By your cross and your life laid down, you set your people free: ♦
we look to you to save and help us.**
- 3 When they were ready to perish, you saved your disciples: ♦
we look to you to come to our help.
- 4 **In the greatness of your mercy, loose us from our chains, ♦
forgive the sins of all your people.**
- 5 Make yourself known as our Saviour and mighty deliverer; ♦
save and help us that we may praise you.
- 6 **Come now and dwell with us, Lord Christ Jesus: ♦
hear our prayer and be with us always.**
- 7 And when you come in your glory: ♦
make us to be one with you and to share the life of your kingdom
Saviour of the World

The Word of God

A psalm, and one or more Bible readings

Short readings

Sunday

From the rising of the sun to its setting my name is great among the nations, and in every place incense is offered to my name, and a pure offering; for my name is great among the nations, says the Lord of hosts.
Malachi 1.11

Monday

The steward said to the bridegroom, 'Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now.' Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.
John 2.10,11

Tuesday

Without any doubt, the mystery of our religion is great: he was revealed in flesh, vindicated in spirit, seen by angels, proclaimed among Gentiles, believed in throughout the world, taken up in glory.
1 Timothy 3.16

Wednesday

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, 'Let light shine out of darkness', who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.
2 Corinthians 4.5,6

Thursday

You did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, 'Abba! Father!' it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ – if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.
Romans 8.15-17

Friday

Jesus said, 'I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness but will have the light of life.'
John 8.12

Saturday

In the midst of the lampstands I saw one like the Son of Man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash across his chest. His head and his hair were white as white wool, white as snow; his eyes were like a flame of fire, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined as in a furnace, and his voice was like the sound of many waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, and from his mouth came a sharp, two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining with full force.
Revelation 1.13-16

Response

Silence

All Arise, shine, for your light has come;
the glory of the Lord is rising upon you.