

'Thy Kingdom Come'

Propers for a Eucharist for the Mission of the Church

Entrance Antiphon

Give thanks to the Lord, call on his name;
make known his deeds among the nations;
proclaim that his name is exalted.

Isaiah 12.4

Prayers of Penitence

Jesus says, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'
So let us turn away from sin and turn to Christ,
confessing our sins in penitence and faith.

cf Matthew 4.17

The kingdom is yours, but we turn away from your just rule:
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

The power is yours, but we trust in our own power and strength:
Christ, have mercy.

All **Christ, have mercy.**

The glory is yours, but we fall short of the glory of God.
Lord, have mercy.

All **Lord, have mercy.**

Collect

Almighty God,
your ascended Son has sent us into the world
to preach the good news of your kingdom:
inspire us with your Spirit
and fill our hearts with the fire of your love,
that all who hear your Word
may be drawn to you;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,
who is alive and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever.

All **Amen.**

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah (61)

The spirit of the Lord God is upon me,
because the Lord has anointed me;
he has sent me to bring good news to the oppressed,
to bind up the broken-hearted,
to proclaim liberty to the captives,
and release to the prisoners;
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour,
and the day of vengeance of our God;
to comfort all who mourn;
to provide for those who mourn in Zion—
to give them a garland instead of ashes,
the oil of gladness instead of mourning,
the mantle of praise instead of a faint spirit.
They will be called oaks of righteousness,
the planting of the Lord, to display his glory.
They shall build up the ancient ruins,
they shall raise up the former devastations;
they shall repair the ruined cities,
the devastations of many generations.

This is the word of the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

***R/.* Go out into the whole world, proclaim the good news.**

O praise the Lord, all you nations;
praise him, all you peoples. *R/.*

For great is his steadfast love towards us, *R/.*
and the faithfulness of the Lord endures for ever.

Psalm 117

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia.

'Go into all the world', says the Lord,
'and proclaim the good news to all creation.'

Alleluia.

Mark 16.15

Gospel

The Lord be with you
All **and also with you.**

Hear the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (4.31-38)
All **Glory to you, O Lord.**

The disciples were urging Jesus, 'Rabbi, eat something.' But he said to them, 'I have food to eat that you do not know about.' So the disciples said to one another, 'Surely no one has brought him something to eat?' Jesus said to them, 'My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, "Four months more, then comes the harvest"? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, "One sows and another reaps." I sent you to reap that for which you did not labour. Others have laboured, and you have entered into their labour.'

This is the gospel of the Lord.
All **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Intercessions

In the power of the Spirit and in union with Christ,
let us pray to the Father.

All or some of these petitions may be used

God of our salvation,
hope of all the ends of the earth,
we pray:
Thy kingdom come.

That the world may know Jesus Christ
as the Prince of Peace,
we pray:
Thy kingdom come.

That all who are estranged and without hope
may be brought near in the blood of Christ,
we pray:
Thy kingdom come.

That the Church may be one in serving
and proclaiming the gospel,
we pray:

Thy kingdom come.

That we may be bold to speak the word of God
while you stretch out your hand to save,
we pray:

Thy kingdom come.

That the Church may be generous in giving,
faithful in serving, bold in proclaiming,
we pray:

Thy kingdom come.

That the Church may welcome and support
all whom God calls to faith,
we pray:

Thy kingdom come.

That all who serve the gospel may be kept in safety
while your word accomplishes its purpose,
we pray:

Thy kingdom come.

That all who suffer for the gospel
may know the comfort and glory of Christ,
we pray:

Thy kingdom come.

That the day may come when every knee shall bow
and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
we pray:

Thy kingdom come.

Almighty God,
by your Holy Spirit you have made us one
with your saints in heaven and on earth:
grant that in our earthly pilgrimage
we may ever be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer,
and know ourselves surrounded by their witness
to your power and mercy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

Introduction to the Peace

Christ came and proclaimed the gospel:
peace to those who are far off
and peace to those who are near.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
All **and also with you.**

Prayers at the Preparation of the Table

Father, look upon the face of Jesus Christ your Son,
who gave up his life to set all people free.
From the rising of the sun to its setting,
may your name be great among the nations,
and in every place a pure sacrifice be offered to your glory.
We ask this through Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

cf Malachi 1.11

Extended Preface

Father, we give you thanks and praise
through Jesus Christ our Lord
because you are God almighty,
creator of the world and all that is in it.
Through him you made the whole human race
and in him you show us the mystery of your purpose.
In him you will bring all things together under him as head,
all things in heaven, all things on earth.
Through him we have heard the word of truth,
the good news of salvation,
and you have marked us with the seal of your promised Spirit.
We who were once far off
have been brought near by the blood of Christ,
for he is the peace between us
and has broken down the barrier of hostility.
He has made of us one new humanity
and reconciled us to you by the cross.
Through him with angels and archangels
and all the company of heaven,
we come before you, Father, by the Holy Spirit,
for ever praising you and saying:

Communion antiphon

Declare his glory among the nations
and his wonders among all peoples.

Psalm 96.3

Post Communion

Eternal God, giver of love and power,
your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world
to preach the gospel of his kingdom:
confirm us in this mission,
and help us to live the good news we proclaim;
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

All **Amen.**

The Blessing

The Father, whose glory fills the heavens,
cleanse you by his holiness
and send you to proclaim his word.

All **Amen.**

The Son, who has ascended to the heights,
pour upon you the riches of his grace.

All **Amen.**

The Holy Spirit, the Comforter,
equip you and strengthen you in your ministry.

All **Amen.**

And the blessing ...

The Dismissal

The Lord says, 'Go into all the world
and make disciples of all the nations.'
Go in the peace of Christ.

All **Thanks be to God.**