

SATURDAY MORNING HYMNS & PRAYER

17th November 2023

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Church of God, elect and glorious, holy nation, chosen race, called as God's own special people, royal priests and heirs of grace: know the purpose of your calling, show to all God's mighty deeds: tell of love that knows no limits, grace that meets all human needs.

God has called you out of darkness into his most mary'lous light, brought his truth to life within you, turned your blindness into sight.

Let your light so shine around you that God's name is glorified, and all find fresh hope and purpose in Christ Jesus crucified.

Church of God, elect and holy, be the people he intends, strong in faith and swift to answer each command your Master sends: royal priests, fulfill your calling through your sacrifice and prayer, give your lives in joyful service, sing his praise, his love declare.

Responsorial Psalm

Remember the marvels the Lord has done.

COMMUNION RELECTION

Jesus calls us here to meet him as, through word and song and prayer, we affirm God's promised presence where his people live and care. Praise the God who keeps his promise; praise the Son who calls us friends; praise the Spirit who, among us, to our hopes and fears attends.

Jesus calls us to confess him Word of Life and Lord of all, sharer of our flesh and frailness saving all who fail or fall. Tell his holy human story; tell his tales that all may hear; tell the world that Christ in glory came to earth to meet us here.

Jesus calls us to his table rooted firm in time and space, where the church in earth and heaven finds a common meeting place. Share the bread and wine, his body; share the love of which we sing; share the feast for saints and sinners hosted by our Lord and King.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

There is nothing told about this woman, but that she had once become engaged, and an angel addressed her and said: "You are blessed among all your kind."

Refrain On this day all earth and all paradise join in naming you happy and blessed;
Virgin Mary, blessed are you.

There is nothing told about this woman, but that she had brought into the world, in the land of Judea, her son; for some shepherds have passed on this tale.

There is nothing told about this woman, but that she was standing by the cross when her son stretched his arms out on high, and met death with a thief on each side. *Refrain*

SATURDAY MORNING MARIAN PRAYER

Eternal God, born a tiny child,
you were presented in the temple in the arms of Mary,
and the aged Simeon proclaimed you light of the nations
and glory of your people Israel.
Through the hands of Mary, our sister,
we present you once again, today, to your Father.
Make your light rise like a joyous dawn
upon all those who do not know your name.
Be the glory of Israel,
your people according to the flesh,
who still have not recognized you.
And when the evening of our life arrives,
give us a share in Simeon's joy
at being able to see you in the peace of eternity.

Amen



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