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WELCOME

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# ANNOUNCEMENTS



**Almighty God, unto whom all hearts and minds are open and from whom nothing is hidden, we enter this service to worship you and to renew our spirit. Let everything said and done glorify you and contribute to the upbuilding of your kingdom. In Jesus' mighty name, we pray. Amen.**

## **OPENING PRAYER**





# RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP



Praise the Lord!

**The Lord is good and gracious, and kind.**

We are entering the Lord's gates with thankful hearts.

**We enter God's courts with praise.**

This is a day that the Lord has made.

**We shall rejoice and be glad.**

The Lord is mighty, gracious, and faithful.

**Praise the Lord!**





# OPENING HYMN (GTG) # 700

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me





# RESPONSIVE READING OF PSALM 15






Who may worship in your sanctuary, LORD? Who may enter your presence on your holy hill?

**Those who lead blameless lives and do what is right - speak the truth from sincere hearts.**

Those who refuse to gossip, harm their neighbors or speak evil of their friends.

**Those who despise flagrant sinners, who honor the faithful followers of the LORD, and keep their promises even when it hurts.**




Those who lend money without charging interest and who cannot be bribed to lie about the innocent. Such people will stand firm forever.





## AFFIRMATION OF FAITH - THE APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;  
And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by  
the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius  
Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from  
the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of  
God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the  
quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the catholic church,  
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection  
of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**









## RESPONSIVE READING OF MICAH 6:6-8

"With what shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt offerings, with calves a year old? Will the LORD be pleased with thousands of rams, with ten thousand rivers of oil? Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?"

**He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the LORD require of you but to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God?**





Let us humble ourselves before God and pray,  
confessing our sins and asking for forgiveness.

**CALL TO CONFESSION**





**God grant me the grace to accept with serenity the things that cannot be changed. Courage to change the things which should be changed, and the wisdom to distinguish the one from the other. Please forgive my transgressions and keep me from evil. In Jesus' mighty name, I pray. Amen.**

**UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**





The mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting. The Lord is not willing that any should perish, but all should come to repentance. In the mighty name of the Lord Jesus Christ, I declare that if you have earnestly confessed your sin and repented, you are forgiven.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**





PASSING  
THE  
PEACE



PRAYER FOR  
ILLUMINATION








## MATTHEW 5: 1 - 12

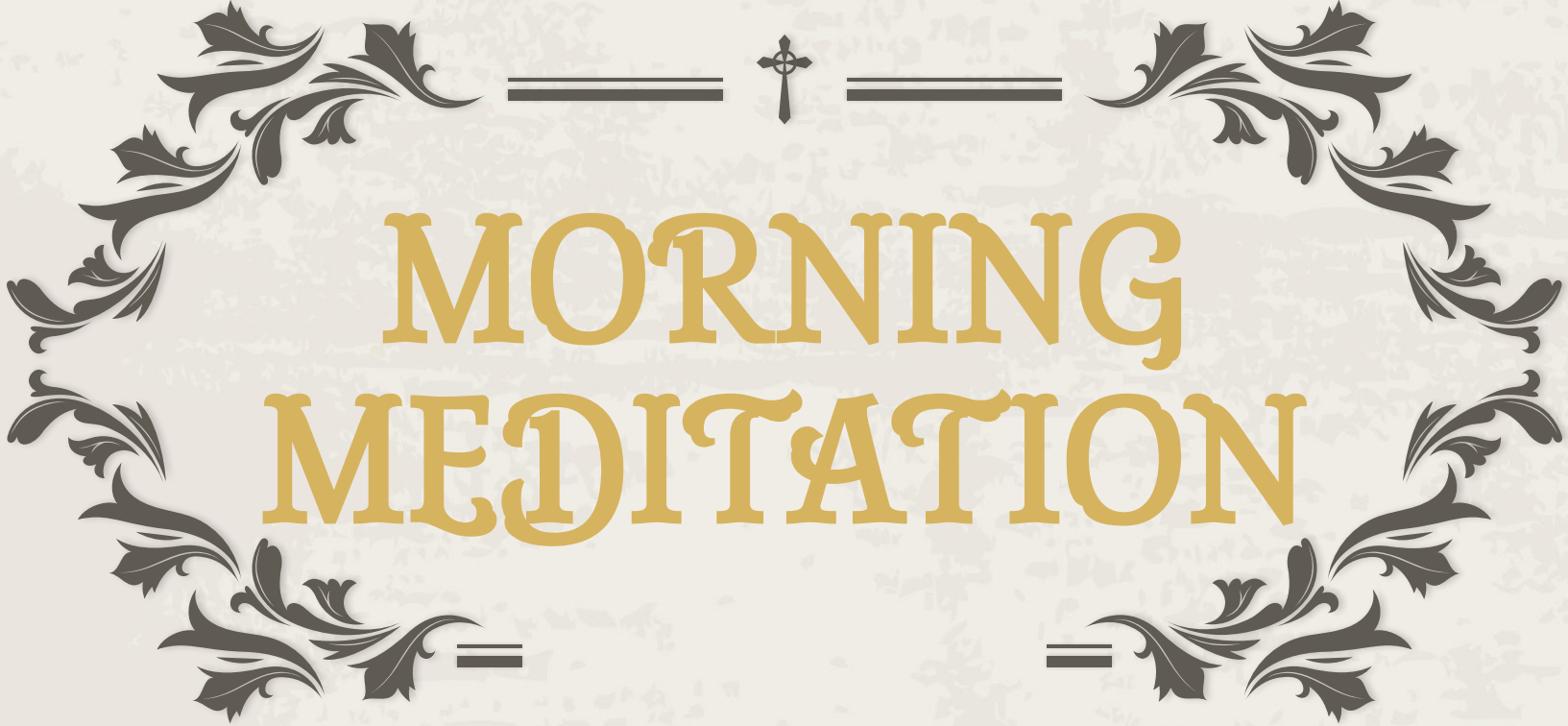


When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when people revile you, persecute you, and falsely utter all kinds of evil against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way, they persecuted the prophets who were before you.





# MORNING MEDITATION





# SILENT MEDITATION





CALL TO  
DISCIPLESHIP



PRAYERS OF  
THE PEOPLE



Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors. Lead us away from temptation and deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**







# CLOSING HYMN (GTG #) 630

Fairest Lord Jesus



Having feasted on the word of God, let us depart this fellowship to serve the Lord with gladness. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, let us seek to love God above all else and glorify God by fulfilling the commandment to love our neighbors as ourselves.

**BENEDICTION**





# CONG. RESPONSE (GTG) # 599

*Amen*



God of Grace  
and  
God of Glory

# POSTLUDE

God of Grace and God of Glory

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