#### GREAT AND WONDERFUL

Great and wonderful are your deeds Lord
God the Almighty just and true are your ways O King
of the nations.

Who shall not revere and praise your name O Lord? for you alone are holy.

All nations shall come and worship in your presence: for your just dealings have been revealed.

To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb: be praise and honour glory and might for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE LORDS PRAYER (or use the traditional form)

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.

# THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (this will be on the website)

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#### ONE OF THESE COLLECTS

Almighty and everlasting Father, we thank you that you have brought us safely to the beginning of this day.
Keep us from falling into sin or running into danger; order us in all our doings; and guide us to do always what is right in your eyes; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### or

Eternal God and Father,
you create us by your power
and redeem us by your love:
guide and strengthen us by your Spirit,
that we may give ourselves in love and service
to one another and to you;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### Websites:

www.applebygroup.org.uk www.stjohnschurchdonisthorpe.org.uk www.stlaurencechurchmeasham.org.uk www.packingtonandnormantonchurches.org.uk

# Morning Prayer

Be with us as we walk into this moment of prayer.

Say one of these canticles: Venite, Jubilate or Easter Anthems:

#### **VENITE**

O come let us sing out to the Lord:

let us shout in triumph to the rock of our salvation. Let us come before his face with thanksgiving: and cry out to him joyfully in psalms.

For the Lord is a great God: and a great king above all gods.

In his hands are the depths of the earth: and the peaks of the mountains are his also.

The sea is his and he made it: his hands moulded dry land.

Come let us worship and bow down:

and kneel before the Lord our maker.

For he is the Lord our God:

we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

If only you would hear his voice today:

for he comes to judge the earth;

He shall judge the world with righteousness: and the peoples with his truth.

Glory to the Father and to the Son:

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now: and shall be for ever. Amen.

#### **JUBILATE**

O shout to the Lord in triumph all the earth: serve the Lord with gladness and come before his face with songs of joy.

Know that the Lord 'he is' God: it is he who has made us and we are his we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Come unto his gates with thanksgiving and into his courts with praise: give thanks to him and bless his holy name.

For the Lord is good his loving mercy is for ever: his faithfulness throughout all generations.

Glory to the Father and to the Son:

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now: and shall be forever. Amen.

#### THE EASTER ANTHEMS

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us: so let us celebrate the feast

Not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

Christ once raised from the dead dies no more: death has no more dominion over him.

In dying he died to sin once for all: in living he lives to God.

See yourselves therefore as dead to sin:

and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Christ has been raised from the dead:

the first-fruits of those who sleep.

For as by man came death: by man has come also the

resurrection of the dead;

for as in Adam all die:

even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

Glory to the Father and to the Son:

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning is now:

and shall be for ever. Amen

**A PSALM**: Please use a favourite or check website for readings of the day

**READING**, from the New Testament.

Use one of the folloiwng canticles: A song of creation; Benedictus; Gloria, Saviour of the world or Great and Wonderful.

## A SONG OF CREATION

Bless the Lord all created things:

sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the lord you heavens:

sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the Lord you angels of the Lord:

bless the Lord all you his hosts

bless the Lord all people on the earth: sing his praise

and exalt him for ever.

O People of God bless the Lord:

bless the Lord you priests of the Lord;

bless the Lord you servants of the Lord:

sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

Bless the Lord all men of upright spirit:

bless the Lord you that are holy and humble in heart;

Bless the Father the Son and the Holy Spirit:

sing his praise and exalt him for ever.

## BENEDICTUS (The Song of Zechariah)

Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel:

for he has come to his people and set them free.

He has raised up for us a mighty saviour:

born of the house of his servant David

Through his holy prophets he promised of old:

that he would save us from our enemies

from the hands of all that hate us.

He promised to show mercy to our fathers:

and to remember his holy covenant.

This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our enemies,

free to worship him without fear:

holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. You my child shall be called the prophet of the Most High: for you will go before the Lord to prepare his

to give his people knowledge of salvation: by the forgiveness of all their sins.

In the tender compassion of our God:

the dawn from on high shall break upon us

to shine upon those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death: and to guide our feet into the way

of peace

Glory to the Father and to the Son: and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now: and shall be for ever. Amen.

## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

Glory to God in the highest: and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God heavenly King:

almighty God and Father

we worship you we give you thanks:

we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ only Son of the Father:

Lord God Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world:

have mercy on us

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:

receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One:

you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High Jesus Christ with the Holy Spirit: in the glory of God the Father. Amen

## SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD

Jesus Saviour of the world come to us in your mercy: we look to you to save and help us.

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By your cross and your life laid down you set your

people free: we look to you to save and help us. When they were ready to perish you saved your

disciples: we look to you to come to our help.

In the greatness of your mercy loose us from our

chains: forgive the sins of all your people.

Make yourself known as our Saviour and mighty Deliverer: save and help us that we may praise you.

Come now and dwell with us Lord Christ Jesus: hear

our prayer and be with us always.

And when you come in your glory:

make us to be one with you and to share the life of your kingdom.