

**Prayers for Mid-day for the Days after All Saints**  
*until the Eve of the Reign of Christ*

**THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY**

**Introductory Responses**

O Lord, open our lips  
**and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**  
Let your ways be known upon earth,  
**your saving help among the nations.**

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

**THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD**

**Psalm 46** *Deus noster refugium*

<sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength, \*  
a very present help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup> **Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, \***  
**and though the mountains be toppled**  
**into the depths of the sea;**

<sup>3</sup> though its waters rage and foam, \*  
and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.

<sup>4</sup> **There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, \***  
**the holy habitation of the Most High.**

<sup>5</sup> God is in the midst of this city;  
it shall not be overthrown; \*  
God shall help it at the break of day.

<sup>6</sup> **The nations make much ado,**  
**and the dominions are shaken; \***  
**God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.**

<sup>7</sup> The Lord of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

<sup>8</sup> **Come now and look upon the works of the Lord, \***  
**what awesome things God has done on earth.**

<sup>9</sup> It is God who makes war to cease in all the world; \*  
who breaks the bow and shatters the spear,  
and burns the shields with fire.

<sup>10</sup> **"Be still, then, and know that I am God; \***  
**I will be exalted among the nations;**  
**I will be exalted in the earth."**

<sup>11</sup> The Lord of hosts is with us; \*  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

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**The Reading** *1 Timothy 2:1-4, 6*

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a

quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,  
Christ Jesus, himself human,  
who gave himself a ransom for all  
—this was attested at the right time.

I desire, then, that in every place the [people] should pray, lifting up holy hands without anger or argument.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **Intercessions and Thanksgivings**

Lord, have mercy.

**Christ, have mercy.**

Lord, have mercy.

Let us pray for the nations of the world.

Let us pray for all who lead in government, business, and civil society.

Let us pray for those whose lives are touched by war and violence.

Let us pray for those facing economic insecurity.

Let us pray for peace.

### **Collect**

Blessed Saviour, at this hour you hung upon the cross, stretching out your loving arms.

Grant that all the people of the earth may look to you and be saved; for your mercies' sake.

**Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray,

**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.**

**Save us from the time of trial,**

**and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.**

### **Dismissal**

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

May Christ, who bore our sins on the cross, set us free to serve with him in joy.

**Amen.**