

# Thanksgiving Prayers

*O Lord, open our lips. \**

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*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.

Alleluia!

**Hymn:** We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing

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Kremser

1) We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing;  
He chastens and hastens His will to make known;  
the wicked oppressing now cease from distressing;  
sing praises to His Name, He forgets not His own.

2) Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
ordaining, maintaining His kingdom divine;  
so from the beginning the fight we were winning:  
Thou, Lord wast at our side--the glory be Thine!

3) We all do extol Thee, Thou leader in battle,  
and pray that Thou still our defender wilt be.  
Let Thy congregation escape tribulation;  
Thy name be ever praised; O Lord, make us free!

## Psalm 65

To the choirmaster. A Psalm of David. A Song.

1 *Praise is due to you, O God, in Zion, \**

and to you shall vows be performed.

2 *O you who hears prayer, \**

to you shall all flesh come.

3 *When iniquities prevail against me, \**

you atone for our transgressions.

4 *Blessed is the one you choose and bring near, \**

to dwell in your courts!

*We shall be satisfied with the goodness of your house, \**

the holiness of your temple!

5 *By awesome deeds you answer us with righteousness,*

*O God of our salvation, \**

the hope of all the ends of the earth and of the farthest seas;

6 *the one who by his strength established the mountains, \**

being girded with might;

7 *who stills the roaring of the seas, \**

the roaring of their waves, the tumult of the peoples,

- 8 *so that those who dwell at the ends of the earth are in awe at your signs \**  
You make the going out of the morning and the evening  
to shout for joy.
- 9 *You visit the earth and water it; \**  
you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water;  
*you provide their grain, \**  
for so you have prepared it.
- 10 *You water its furrows abundantly, \**  
settling its ridges,  
*softening it with showers, \**  
and blessing its growth.
- 11 *You crown the year with your bounty; \**  
your wagon tracks overflow with abundance.
- 12 *The pastures of the wilderness overflow, \**  
the hills gird themselves with joy
- 13 *the meadows clothe themselves with flocks,*  
*the valleys deck themselves with grain, \**  
they shout and sing together for joy.

## Collect

**Scripture Reading:** Ephesians 1:3-14

## Prayers

*The Lord be with you.*

And also with you.

*Let us pray.*

Our Father, who art in heaven,

Hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

as we forgive our debtors.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen.

Extemporaneous Prayers

**Hymn:** Now Thank We All Our God

Martin Rinckart, 1636

Nun Danket

1) Now thank we all our God  
with heart and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done,  
in whom his world rejoices;  
who from our mothers' arms  
has blessed us on our way  
with countless gifts of love,  
and still is ours today.

2) O may this bounteous God  
through all our life be near us,  
with ever joyful hearts  
and blessed peace to cheer us,  
to keep us in his grace,  
and guide us when perplexed,  
and free us from all ills  
of this world in the next.

3) All praise and thanks to God  
the Father now be given,  
the Son and Spirit blest,  
who reign in highest heaven  
the one eternal God,  
whom heaven and earth adore;  
for thus it was, is now,  
and shall be evermore.

**Closing Prayer**