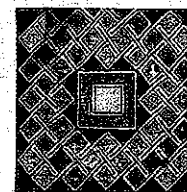


# Sunday Morning Prayer



'I wait for you, O God,  
my soul waits  
and in your word I hope.  
My soul waits for you, O God,  
more than those who watch for the morning,  
more than those who watch for the morning.'

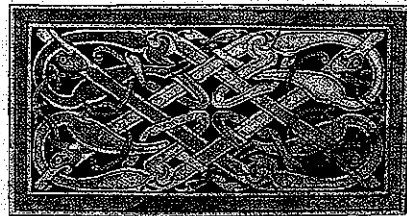
*Psalm 130:5-6*

## SILENCE

*Be still and aware of God's presence within  
and all around*

# Opening Prayer

I watch this morning  
for the light that the darkness has not overcome.  
I watch for the fire that was in the beginning  
and that burns still in the brilliance of the rising sun.  
I watch for the glow of life that gleams in the growing earth  
and glistens in sea and sky.  
I watch for your light, O God,  
in the eyes of every living creature  
and in the ever-living flame of my own soul.  
If the grace of seeing were mine this day  
I would glimpse you in all that lives.  
Grant me the grace of seeing this day.  
Grant me the grace of seeing.



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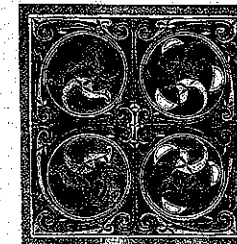
# Scripture and Meditation

'With you is the fountain of life.'

*Psalm 36:9*

Jesus said, 'I am the light of the world.'

*John 8:12*



SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER

# Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession

Blessed are you, O Child of the Dawn,  
for your light that dapples through creation  
on leaves that shimmer in the morning sun  
and in showers of rain that wash the earth.  
Blessed are you  
for the human spirit dappled with eternal light  
in its longings for love and birth  
and its pain-filled passions and tears.  
Blessed are you, O Christ,  
for you awaken me to life.  
Blessed are you  
for you stir me to true desire.

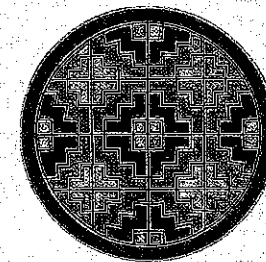
*Pray for the coming day  
and for the life of the world.*



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# Closing Prayer

May the light of God  
illumine the heart of my soul.  
May the flame of Christ  
kindle me to love.  
May the fire of the Spirit  
free me to live  
this day, tonight and for ever.



SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER