

# MORNING PRAYER: HOLY SATURDAY

Greeting

Presider: O Lord, open my lips.

All: And my mouth will declare your praise.

Presider: Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

All: As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever.

Opening Hymn: I Know That My Redeemer Lives

David Haas

## Refrain



I know that my re - deem - er lives: on the last day



I shall rise a - gain, and in my flesh I shall see



God. On the last day I shall rise a - gain!

## Verses



1. I shall see my Sav - ior's face; and my own  
2. With - in my heart this hope I hold; that in my



eyes shall be - hold my God. On the last day  
flesh I shall see my God. On the last day



I shall rise a - gain!  
I shall rise a - gain!

Text: Job 19:25-27; David Haas, b.1957  
Tune: David Haas, b.1957  
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Reading: Mark 7:31-37

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## Recitation of the Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

## Prayer of Blessing

Presider: From the jaws of hell, Lord, rescue my soul.

Canticle: Isaiah 38:10-14, 17-20

**Side 1: Once I said, "In the noontime of life I must depart! To the gates of the nether world I shall be consigned for the rest of my years."**

**Side 2: I said "I shall see the Lord no more in the land of the living. No longer shall I behold my fellow men among those who dwell in the world."**

**Side 1: My dwelling, like a shepherd's tent, is struck down and born away from me; you have folded up my life, like a weaver who severs the last thread.**

**Side 2: Day and night you give me over to torment; I cry out until the dawn. Like a lion he breaks all my bones; day and night you give me over to torment.**

**Side 1: Like a swallow I utter shrill cries; I moan like a dove. My eyes grow weak, gazing heaven-ward; O Lord, I am in straights; be my surety!**

**Side 2: You have preserved my life from the pit of destruction, when you cast behind your back all my sins.**

**Side 1: For it is not the nether world that gives you thanks, nor death that praises you; neither do those who go down into the pit await your kindness.**

**Side 2: The living, the living, give you thanks, as I do today. Fathers declare to their sons, O God, your faithfulness.**

**Side 1: The Lord is our savior; we shall sing to stringed instruments.**

**Side 2: In the house of the Lord all the days of our life.**

**Side 1: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,**

**Side 2: As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever.**

All: From the jaws of hell, Lord, rescue my soul.

Presider: I was dead but now I live forever.

Psalm 150: *Please recite alternating sides.*

**Side 1: Praise God in his holy place; praise him in his mighty heavens. Praise him for his powerful deeds; praise his surpassing greatness.**

Side 2: O praise him with sound of trumpet; praise him with lute and harp. Praise him with timbrel and dance; praise him with strings and pipes.  
Side 1: **O praise him with resounding gongs, praise him with clashing of cymbals.**  
Side 2: Let everything that lives and that breathes give praise to the Lord.  
Side 1: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,**  
Side 2: As it was in the beginning, is now and will be forever.

All: I was dead but now I live forever.

Reading: From an ancient homily on Holy Saturday (*Breviary, page 496*)

Hymn: At the Name of Jesus

*Christopher Walker*

**Refrain**



At the name of Je-sus, ev-'ry knee shall bow, ev-'ry tongue con-



fess him: King of glo-ry now. Je-sus is Lord, King of glo-ry now!

**Verses**



1. He \_\_\_ emp-tied him-self, as a slave, yet free,  
2. He \_\_\_ hum-bled him-self, and o-beyed God's will.  
3. God ex-alt-ed him, raised him up on high  
4. Christ Je-sus will come at the end of time,



1. came in hu-man like-ness \_\_\_ for you and for me; in  
2. On a cross he died \_\_\_ on Cal-va-ry's hill; for  
3. so a-bove all oth-ers \_\_\_ his name will not die; that  
4. come with ju-bi-la-tion \_\_\_ to call \_\_\_ us home. Un-

**to Refrain**



1. hu-man like-ness \_\_\_ for you and for me.  
2. you and me he o-beyed \_\_\_ God's will.  
3. name we hon-or \_\_\_ and glo-ri-fy.  
4. til that day you and I will pro-claim:

Canticle of Zechariah: *Please recite alternate sides.*

Side 1: **Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel;**  
**he has come to his people and set them free.**  
Side 2: He has raised up for us a mighty savior,  
born of the house of this servant David.  
Side 1: **Through his holy prophets he promised of old that he would save us from our**  
**enemies, from the hands of all who hate us.**  
Side 2: He promised to show mercy to our fathers  
and to remember his holy covenant.

Side 1: **This was the oath his 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.**

Side 2: You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way.

Side 1: **To give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of their sins.**

Side 2: In the tender compassion of our God the dawn from on high shall break upon us.

Side 1: **To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death.**

Side 2: And to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Side 1: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit,**

Side 2: As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever.

Universal Prayer: Our response is "Lord, hear our prayer."

Closing Prayer:

All-powerful and ever living God, your only Son went down among the dead and rose again in glory. In your goodness, raise up your faithful people, buried with him in baptism, to be one with him in the eternal life of heaven where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

The Calling Forward of the Elect

Lighting of the Easter Fire:

We process out of the church and gather on front entrance around the newly prepared fireplace for the preparatory blessing. As we process we sing:

Hymn: Christ Be Our Light

*Bernadette Farrell*

Refrain

Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the dark - ness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gath-ered to-day.

**In thanksgiving for all those at our liturgy who...**

Preside at our prayer, welcome God's people, proclaim God's word, lead and inspire us in song, serve at our liturgy, prepare our liturgy and worship space, minister the Holy Eucharist, and for all who pray and celebrate with us this day.

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