

June 1st 2020

Prayer

Lord Jesus, may we feel your presence in all we do today,
To be calm when we feel anxious,
To be strong when we feel weak,
To be gracious when tempted to respond inappropriately
And when the day is done may we feel at peace in your presence.
Robert Mortimer, Local Preacher, Teddington Circuit

Lectionary Reading

Luke 1:39-49

³⁹ Soon afterward Mary got ready and hurried off to a town in the hill country of Judea. ⁴⁰ She went into Zechariah's house and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the baby moved within her. Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit ⁴² and said in a loud voice, "You are the most blessed of all women, and blessed is the child you will bear! ⁴³ Why should this great thing happen to me, that my Lord's mother comes to visit me? ⁴⁴ For as soon as I heard your greeting, the baby within me jumped with gladness. ⁴⁵ How happy you are to believe that the Lord's message to you will come true!"

Mary's Song of Praise

⁴⁶ Mary said,
"My heart praises the Lord;
⁴⁷ my soul is glad because of God my Savior,
⁴⁸ for he has remembered me, his lowly servant!
From now on all people will call me happy,
⁴⁹ because of the great things the Mighty God has done for me.
His name is holy;

Good News Translation (GNT)

Hymn 186 StF

- 1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!
Unnumbered blessings, give my spirit voice;
Tender to me the promise of his word;
In God my Saviour shall my heart rejoice.
- 2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his name!
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;
His mercy sure, from age to age, the same;
His holy name- the Lord, the Mighty One.
- 3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!
Powers and dominions lay their glory by;
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,
The hungry fed, the humble lifted high.

4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!
Firm is his promise, and mercy sure.
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord
To children's children and for evermore!

Timothy Dudley-Smith (b 1926-)
Based on the Magnificat

Psalm 113

You servants of the Lord,
praise his name!

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May his name be praised,
now and forever.

3

From the east to the west
praise the name of the Lord!

4

The Lord rules over all nations;
his glory is above the heavens.

5

There is no one like the Lord our God.
He lives in the heights above,

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but he bends down
to see the heavens and the earth.

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He raises the poor from the dust;
he lifts the needy from their misery

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and makes them companions of princes,
the princes of his people.

9

He honors the childless wife in her home;
he makes her happy by giving her children.

Praise the Lord!

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Prayer of the Day

Be to us at all times, O Lord, our unending joy, our eternal bliss and our enduring comfort. Be to us light in the darkness, strength in temptation and refreshment in the desert. Being penitent for our sins may we never be separated from you and longing for your face may we behold you in heaven. **Amen**

Margery Kempe (c.1373-c.1438)