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MORNING SUFFRAGES

PRELUDE MUSIC

INTRODUCTION

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal, have mercy on us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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 forever. Amen.

THE SCRIPTURE READING

THE SUFFRAGES

O Lord, I cry to you for help. In the morning my prayer comes before you. Let my mouth be full of your praise and your glory all the day long.

Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come before you.

Every day will I bless you, and praise your name forever and ever. Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness, O God of our salvation, O hope of all the ends of the earth and of the seas that are far away.

Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come before you.

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name. You redeem my life from the grave, and crown me with mercy and steadfast love.

Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come before you.

(The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray.) MARTIN LUTHER'S MORNING PRAYER:

We give thanks to you, heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ your dear Son, that you have protected us through the night from all harm and danger. We ask that you would also protect us today from sin and all evil, so that our life and actions may please you. Into your hands we commend ourselves: our bodies, our souls, and all that is ours. Let your holy angels be with us, so that the wicked foe may have no power over us. Amen.

THE SONG OF THE DAY

THE BLESSING

Almighty God bless us, defend us from all evil, and bring us to everlasting life (+). **Amen.**

THE SENDING
Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God!

What is a "Suffrage"?

A suffrage is a prayer for help. The word "suffrage" comes from the Latin word suffragium which means "support." In this type of prayer we ask our Lord to give us His support, assistance and protection. More importantly, we ask Him to keep us strong in the faith and to give faith to other people.