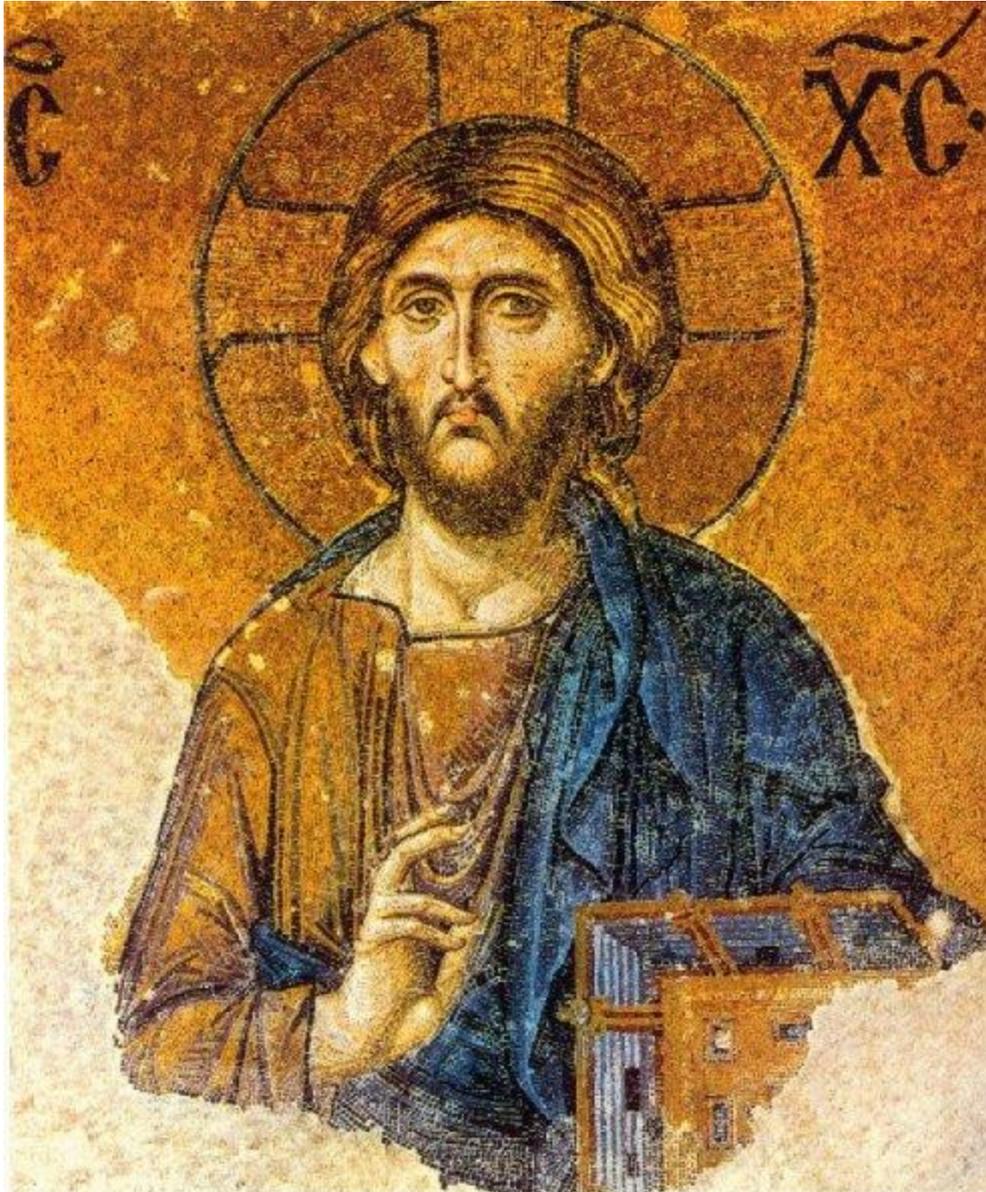




**St Mark's**  
NATIONAL THEOLOGICAL CENTRE



**Friday**  
**Morning Prayer**

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Through Christ let us offer up a sacrifice of praise to God,  
**the fruit of lips that acknowledge his name.**

Hebrews 13.15

Glory to God; Father, Son and Holy Spirit:  
**as in the beginning, so now, and for ever. Amen.**

*The Opening Canticle, A Song of God's Grace*

We have complete freedom:  
to go into the most holy place by means of the death of Jesus.  
He opened for us a new way, a living way:  
through the curtain, through his own body.  
Since we have a great high priest  
set over the household of God:  
let us draw near with a sincere heart and a sure faith,  
With hearts that have been made clean  
from a guilty conscience:  
and bodies washed with pure water.

Hebrews 10.19–22

*The Opening Prayer*

The night has passed and the day lies open before us;  
let us pray with one heart and mind.

*Silence may be kept.*

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day,  
so may the light of your presence, O God,  
set our hearts on fire with love for you;  
now and for ever.

**Amen.**

*The Psalms as appointed. A pause is observed after each.*

*At the end of the (last) pause there may follow*

Holy God, through your beloved Son you reconciled all things to yourself, making peace by the blood of his cross: fill us and those for whom we pray with your peace and joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

*One or two Readings from the Bible as appointed.*

*The readings may be followed by a period of silence for reflection, a hymn or*

May your word live in us

**and bear much fruit to your glory.**

### *The Canticle, Saviour of the World*

Jesus, Saviour of the world,  
come to us in your mercy:  
we look to you to save and help us.  
By your cross and your life laid down,  
you set your people free:  
we look to you to save and help us.  
When they were ready to perish,  
you saved your disciples:  
we look to you to come to our help.  
In the greatness of your mercy,  
loose us from our chains:  
forgive the sins of all your people.  
Make yourself known as our saviour  
and mighty deliverer:  
save and help us that we may praise you.  
Come now and dwell with us, Lord Christ Jesus:  
hear our prayer and be with us always.  
And when you come in your glory:  
make us to be one with you  
and to share the life of your kingdom.

### *The Prayers*

Lord have mercy.

**Christ have mercy.**

Lord have mercy.

### *The Lord's Prayer and the Collect of the Day*

**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 for ever. Amen.**

*Intercessions and Thanksgivings may be made according to  
local custom and need.*

*The Morning Collect*

Eternal God and Father,  
by whose power we are created  
and by whose love we are redeemed;  
guide and strengthen us by your Spirit,  
that we may give ourselves to your service,  
and live this day in love  
to one another and to you;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us praise the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

Peace be to us all, and love with faith, from God the Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**Amen.**