**NEW YEAR AND ANNIVERSARIES**

(Standing)

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless God's holy name.

**Bless the Lord, O my soul, and do not forget all God's benefits,**

Who forgives your iniquity, who heals your diseases,

**Who satisfies you with good as long as you live, so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.**

TUNE: ST. ANNE (14 H)

O God, our help in ages past,

Our hope for years to come,

Our shelter from the stormy blast,

And our eternal home!

Under the shadow of your throne

Your saints have dwelt secure;

Sufficient is your arm alone,

And our defense is sure.

O God, our help in ages past,

Our hope for years to come,

Remain our guide while life shall last,

And our eternal home.

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

(Kneeling or sitting)

Let us in penitence and humility confess our sins before the throne of grace, praying together:

**God of mercy, as we mark this moment, we confess our weaknesses, failures, and transgressions:**

**Our broken vows,**

**Our slackness and misuse of time and opportunity,**

**Our selfishness and our love of ease,**

**Our unkindness and indifference,**

**Our self-indulgence and our pleasures taken at the**

**expense of others,**

**Our moments when we have not been true to ourselves,**

**Our lack of faith in your providence.**

**For these sins of commission and omission, have mercy upon us.**

Lord Jesus Christ, we remember in your presence our losses and griefs, our hopes and treasures which the departing year has carried away, the disappointments we have known, the friends who are no longer with us and whose steps we shall hear no more. We pray for grace to cherish the spirit which brings good out of evil, and which prevents adversities and sorrows from embittering our hearts. Give us comfort and a deep sense of your goodness in every circumstance of life; and when, despite our good intentions, we fail, be our strength and stay.

Choir: Lord God, Father, hear us as we pray:

Our Father, who art in heaven, Our Father in heaven,

**hallowed be thy name. hallowed be your Name,**

**Thy kingdom come. your kingdom come,**

**Thy will be done on earth, your will be done,**

**as it is in heaven. on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily Give us today our daily**

**bread. bread.**

**And forgive us our trespasses, Forgive us our sins**

**as we forgive those as we forgive those**

**who trespass against us. who sin against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, Save us from the time of trial,**

**but deliver us from evil. and deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, For the kingdom, the power,**

**and the power, and the glory, and the glory are yours,**

**forever and ever. Amen. now and for ever. Amen.**

Choir: Lord God, Son, the Savior of the world,

All: Be gracious unto us.

Choir: Lord God, Holy Spirit,

All: Abide with us forever.

(Sitting)

God will supply every need of ours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

**To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.**

TUNE: DISMISSAL

Thanks we give and adoration

For the gospel's joyful sound;

May the fruits of your salvation

In our hearts and lives abound.

May your presence, May your presence,

With us evermore be found.

Lord Jesus, you are the same yesterday, today, and forever: your throne is established in righteousness, your compassion fails not, and your love endures from generation to generation. Lift the light of your countenance upon us, for we are exiles as our ancestors were. We thank you for all the ways by which you have led us in the past. Give us courage to set our faces toward the future.

**Amen.**

Let us give thanks for all God's mercies.

For your grace given to us in days that are gone,

For the blessings of life, seen and unseen,

For the joy and peace of communion with you,

**We give you thanks, gracious God.**

For the sacraments of love and service which have made usconscious of your presence in our common life,

For the deeds we have been able to accomplish in the strength which you supply,

For the kindness of associates, the love of friends, and the fellowship of kindred souls,

**We give you thanks, loving God.**

For the disciplines which have enriched our living,

For your wisdom and gracious providence which we have recognized when you have denied our foolish requests,

For the faith which has guided us in days of trial,

**We give you thanks, gracious God.**

(Standing)

God will supply every need of ours according to his riches in glory in Christ Jesus.

**To our God and Father be glory forever and ever. Amen.**

TUNE: MIT FREUDEN ZART

Lord, you have been our dwelling place

in every generation.

Your people still have known your grace

and your blest consolation.

Through every age you heard our cry,

Through every age we found you nigh,

Our strength and our salvation.

Lord, nothing from your arms of love

shall your own people sever.

Our helper never will remove;

Our God will fail us never.

Your people, Lord, have dwelt secure;

Our dwelling place, you will endure

Forever and forever.

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