

# Morning Worship

Looking to Jesus  
with a great  
cloud of  
witnesses  
to be radiant



*by Luiza Vizoli*

O Lord, open our lips  
**and our mouth shall proclaim  
your praise.**

Let your ways be known upon  
earth,  
**your saving power among the  
nations.**

**Blessed are you, Lord God of our  
salvation, to you be praise and glory  
for ever. As a man of sorrows and  
acquainted with grief  
your only Son was lifted up  
that he might draw the whole world  
to himself.**

**May we walk this day in the way of the cross and always be ready to share its weight, declaring your love for all the world. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Blessed be God for ever.**

**Glory to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning is now  
and shall be for ever. Amen.**

Faithful one, so unchanging  
Ageless one, You're my rock of peace  
Lord of all I depend on You  
I call out to You  
Again and again  
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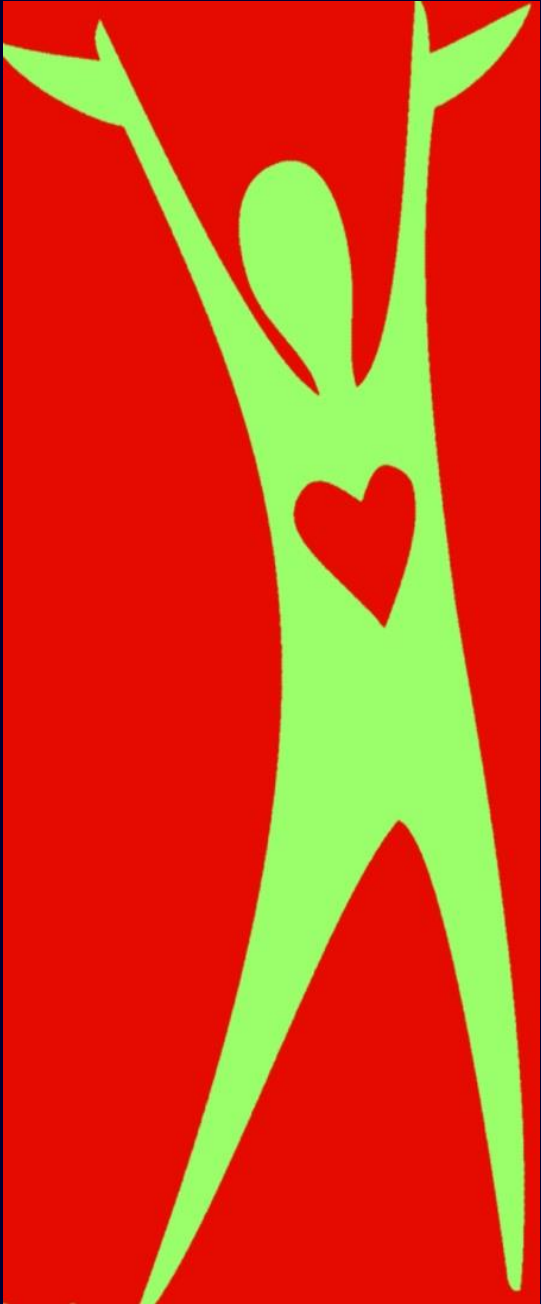
You are my rock in times of trouble  
You lift me up when I fall down  
All through the storm, Your love is  
The anchor, My hope is in You alone

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

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.**





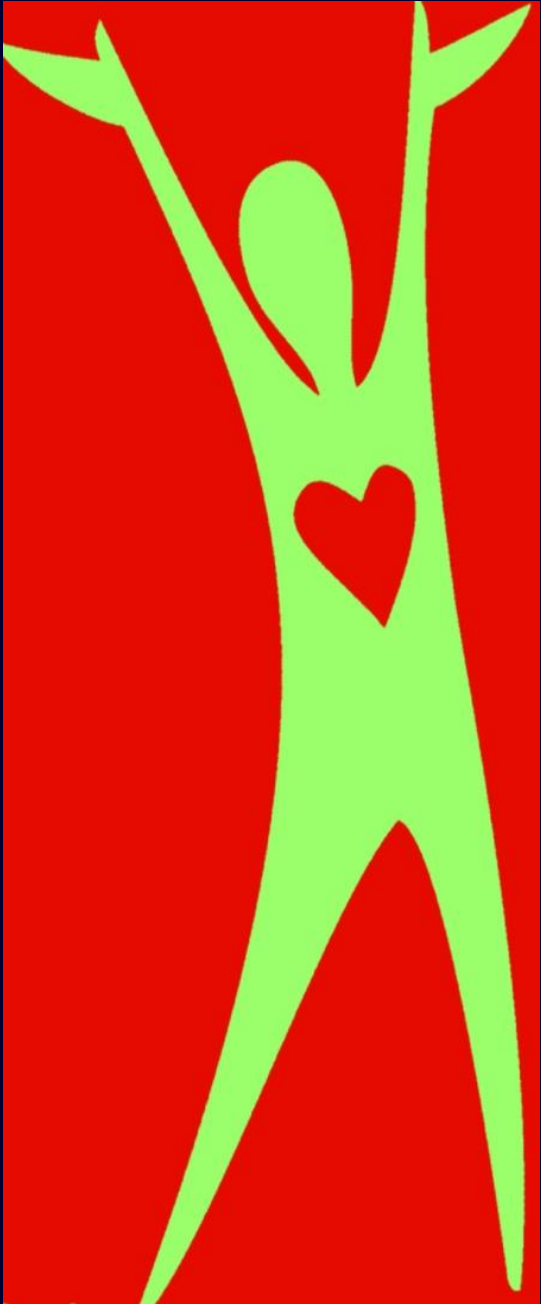


## Psalm 34

*Praise for deliverance from trouble*

I will bless the LORD at all times;  
his praise shall continually be in  
my mouth.

**My soul makes its boast in the  
LORD; let the humble hear  
and be glad.**

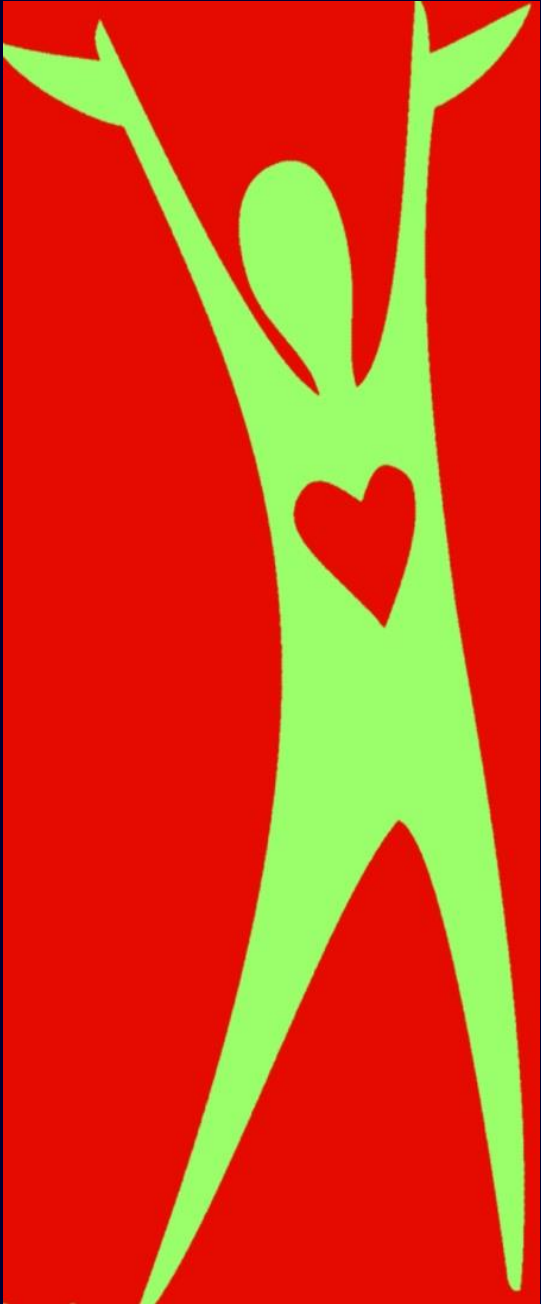


O magnify the Lord with me,  
and let us exalt his name together.

**I sought the Lord, and he  
answered me, and delivered me  
from all my fears.**

Look to him, and be radiant; so  
your faces shall never be ashamed.

**This poor soul cried, and was  
heard by the Lord, and was saved  
from every trouble.**

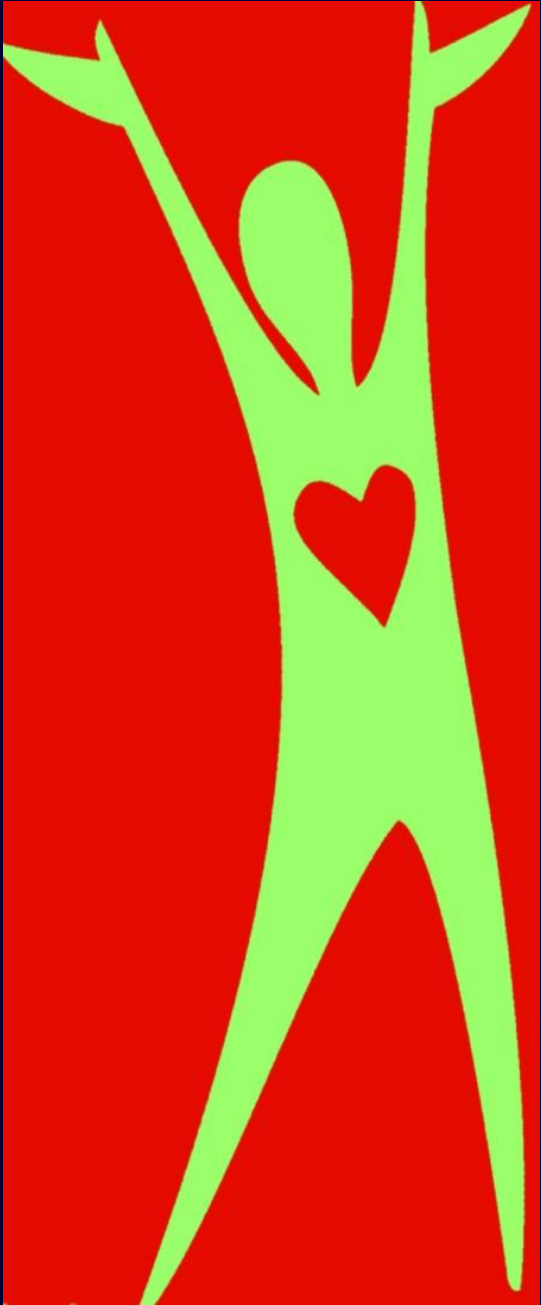


The angel of the Lord encamps  
around those who fear him,  
and delivers them.

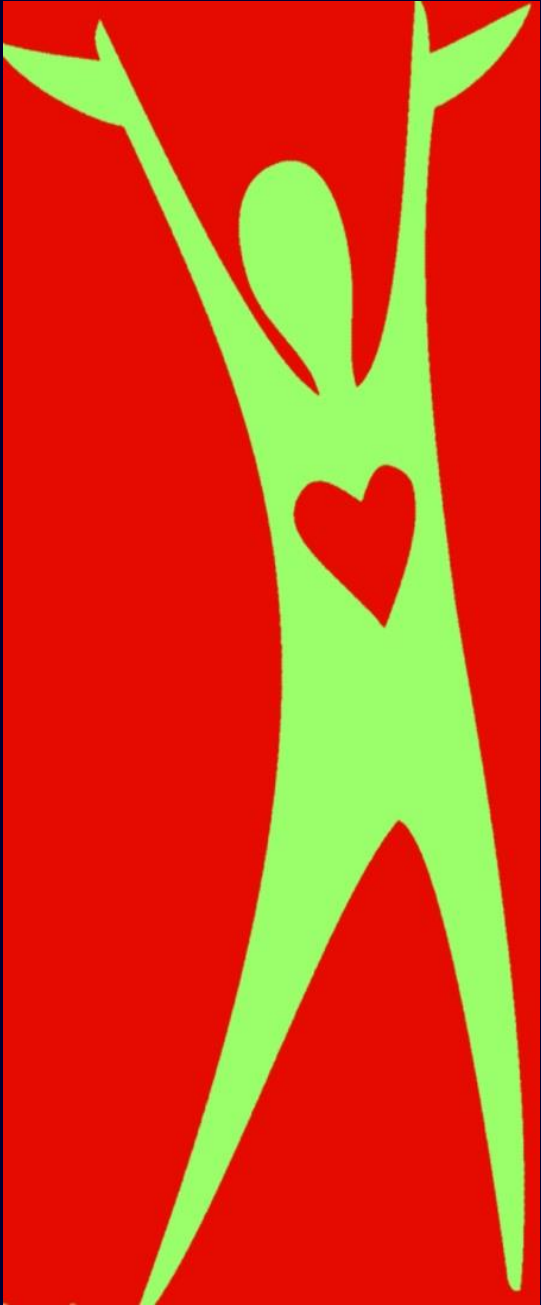
**O taste and see that the Lord is good;  
happy are those who take refuge in him.**

O fear the Lord, you his holy ones, for  
those who fear him have no want.

**The young lions suffer want and hunger,  
but those who seek the Lord lack no  
good thing.**

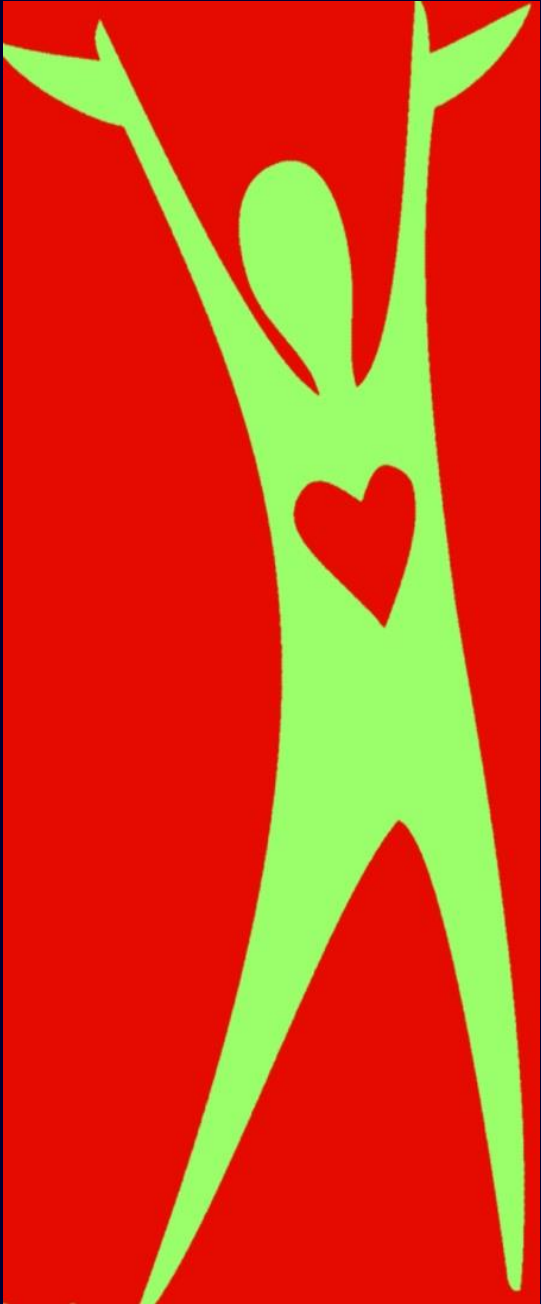


Come, O children, listen to me;  
I will teach you the fear of the Lord.  
**Which of you desires life, and covets  
many days to enjoy good?**  
Keep your tongue from evil,  
and your lips from speaking deceit.  
**Depart from evil, and do good;  
seek peace, and pursue it.**



When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and rescues them from all their troubles.

**The Lord is near to the broken-hearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.**



**Glory to the Father  
and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning  
is now and shall be for ever.  
Amen.**

## Hebrews 11.32-12.2

And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight.

Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy.



They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, without us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you;

**by your holy cross,**

**you have redeemed the world.**

God chose what is weak in the world  
to shame the strong.

**We adore you, O Christ, and we bless you.**

We preach Christ crucified,

the power of God and the wisdom of God.

**By your holy cross, you have redeemed the world.**

God forbid that I should glory,  
save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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# The Benedictus Luke 1.68-79

*Refrain:*

**The word of the cross is folly  
to those who are perishing,  
but to those who are being saved  
it is the power of God.**

**Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel,  
who has come to his people and set them free.**

**He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour,  
born of the house of his servant David.**

**Through his holy prophets God promised of old  
to save us from our enemies,**

**from the hands of all that hate us,**

**To show mercy to our ancestors,**

**and to remember his holy covenant.**

**This was the oath God 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.**

**And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the  
Most High, for you will go before the Lord to  
prepare his way,**



**To give his people knowledge of salvation  
by the forgiveness of all their sins.**

**In the tender compassion of our God  
the dawn from on high shall break upon us,**

**To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the  
shadow of death,**

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Prayers



**We bow down and confess  
You are Lord in this place  
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You are Lord in this place**



**You are all I need  
It's Your face I seek  
In the presence of Your light  
We bow down  
we bow down**



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## **Collect:**

**Most merciful God, who by the death  
and resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ  
delivered and saved the world:**

**grant that by faith in him who suffered on the cross  
we may triumph in the power of his victory;  
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord,  
who is alive and reigns with you,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, now and for ever. Amen.**

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**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.**

**Lead us not into temptation**

**but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are  
yours now and for ever. Amen.**

**May Christ, who bore our sins  
on the cross,  
set us free to serve him  
with joy. Amen.**

**Let us bless the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.**

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