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# What is the Prayer Book?

- ◇ A Prayer Book
- ◇ Common
- ◇ The foundation of Anglican liturgy and practice
- ◇ A work of literary art

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# What isn't the Prayer Book?

- ◇ Ultimately authoritative
- ◇ A magic talisman
- ◇ A single, uniform text

# History of the Prayer Book

- ◇ The English Reformation
- ◇ The First Prayer Book (1549)
- ◇ Act of Uniformity (1549)
- ◇ 1662 Prayer Book
  - ◇ "a true and authoritative standard of worship and prayer, to be translated and locally adapted for each culture" - GAFCON
- ◇ *Lex Orandi, Lex Credendi*
  - ◇ "less the expression of a fixed doctrinal consensus" but "more the creation of a doctrinal and devotional climate" – Rowan Williams



# History of the Prayer Book

- ◇ 1662 – the official, authoritative edition; from which all other editions are derived
- ◇ 1928 – the traditional American edition; still sometimes used by very traditional parishes
- ◇ 1979 – the modern American edition; we use this one at Advent.
- ◇ 2019 – a new version published by ACNA



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from a letter written by C.S. Lewis on April 1, 1952 ...

The advantage of a fixed form of service is that we know what is coming. Ex tempore [] public prayer has this difficulty; we don't know whether we can mentally join in it until we've heard it—it might be phony or heretical. We are therefore called upon to carry on a critical and a devotional activity at the same moment: two things hardly compatible. In a fixed form we ought to have “gone through the motions” before in our private prayers; the rigid form really sets our devotions free. Also find the more rigid it is, the easier it is to keep one's thoughts from straying. Also it prevents getting too completely eaten up by whatever happens to be the preoccupation of the moment (i.e. war, an election, or what not). The permanent shape of Christianity shows through. I don't see how the *ex tempe* method can help becoming provincial, and I think it has a great tendency to direct attention to the minister rather than to God.

## The Lessons

*One or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying*

A Reading (Lesson) from\_\_\_\_\_.

*A citation giving chapter and verse may be added.*

*After each Lesson the Reader may say*

The Word of the Lord.

*Answer* Thanks be to God.

*Or the Reader may say* Here endeth the Lesson (Reading).

*Silence may be kept after each Reading. One of the following Canticles, or one of those on pages 85-95 (Canticles 8-21), is sung or said after each Reading. If three Lessons are used, the Lesson from the Gospel is read after the second Canticle.*



*Question* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* I do.

*When there are others to be presented, the Bishop says*

The other Candidate(s) will now be presented.

*Presenters* I present *these persons* for Confirmation.

*or* I present *these persons* to be received into this Communion.

*or* I present *these persons* who *desire* to reaffirm their baptismal vows.

*The Bishop asks the candidates*

# The Daily Office

- Morning Prayer
- Midday Prayer
- Evening Prayer
- Compline
- Family Prayer



# Collects

**Proper 24** *The Sunday closest to October 19*

Almighty and everlasting God, who in Christ hast revealed thy glory among the nations: Preserve the works of thy mercy, that thy Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of thy Name; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

*Preface of the Lord's Day*

**Saint James of Jerusalem** *October 23*

Grant, we beseech thee, O God, that after the example of thy servant James the Just, brother of our Lord, thy Church may give itself continually to prayer and to the reconciliation of all who are at variance and enmity; through the same our Lord Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*Preface of All Saints*

OCTOBER

DAY	RED-LETTER HOLY DAYS	OPTIONAL COMMEMORATIONS ANGLICAN	OPTIONAL COMMEMORATIONS ECUMENICAL
12		Cecil Frances Alexander, <i>Hymn-writer and Teacher of the Faith</i> , 1895	
13		Edward the Confessor, <i>King of England</i> , 1066	
14		Samuel Isaac Joseph Schereschewsky, <i>Bishop of Shanghai</i> , 1906	
15			Teresa of Ávila, <i>Nun and Reformer of the Church</i> , 1582
16		Hugh Latimer and Nicholas Ridley, <i>Bishops and Martyrs</i> , 1555	
17			Ignatius, <i>Bishop of Antioch and Martyr</i> , ca. 115
18	<b>Luke the Evangelist and Companion of Paul</b>		
19		Henry Martyn, <i>Priest and Missionary to India and Persia</i> , 1812	
20			
21			
22			
23	<b>James of Jerusalem, Bishop and Martyr, Brother of Our Lord</b>		
24			
25			

# Lectionary

## Proper 25 Week of the Sunday closest to October 26

<i>Sunday</i>	63:1-8(9-11),98 Haggai 1:1-2:9	✦ 103 Acts 18:24-19:7	Luke 10:25-37
<i>Monday</i>	41,52	✦ 44 Zech. 1:7-17	Rev. 1:4-20 Matt. 12:43-50
<i>Tuesday</i>	45	✦ 47,48 Ezra 5:1-17	Rev. 4:1-11 Matt. 13:1-9
<i>Wednesday</i>	119:49-72 Ezra 6:1-22	✦ 49,[53] Rev. 5:1-10	Matt. 13:10-17
<i>Thursday</i>	50	✦ [59,60] or 33 Neh. 1:1-11	Rev. 5:11-6:11 Matt. 13:18-23
<i>Friday</i>	40,54	✦ 51 Neh. 2:1-20	Rev. 6:12-7:4 Matt. 13:24-30
<i>Saturday</i>	55	✦ 138,139:1-17(18-23) Neh. 4:1-23	Rev. 7:(4-8)9-17 Matt. 13:31-35

## Proper 26 Week of the Sunday closest to November 2

<i>Sunday</i>	24, 29	✦ 8, 84 Neh. 5:1-19	Acts 20:7-12 Luke 12:22-31
<i>Monday</i>	56, 57, [58]	✦ 64, 65 Neh. 6:1-19	Rev. 10:1-11 Matt. 13:36-43
<i>Tuesday</i>	61, 62	✦ 68:1-20(21-23)24-36 Neh. 12:27-31a,42b-47	Rev. 11:1-19 Matt. 13:44-52
<i>Wednesday</i>	72	✦ 119:73-96 Neh. 13:4-22	Rev. 12:1-12 Matt. 13:53-58
<i>Thursday</i>	[70], 71	✦ 74 Ezra 7:(1-10)11-26	Rev. 14:1-13 Matt. 14:1-12
<i>Friday</i>	69:1-23(24-30)31-38 Ezra 7:27-28, 8:21-36	✦ 73 Rev. 15:1-8	Matt. 14:13-21
<i>Saturday</i>	75, 76	✦ 23, 27 Ezra 9:1-15	Rev. 17:1-14 Matt. 14:22-36

Daily Office Year One

## Proper 25 Week of the Sunday closest to October 26

<i>Sunday</i>	63:1-8(9-11),98 Ecclus. 18:19-33	✦ 103 1 Cor. 10:15-24	Matt. 18:15-20
<i>Monday</i>	41,52	✦ 44 Ecclus. 19:4-17	Rev. 11:1-14 Luke 11:14-26
<i>Tuesday</i>	45	✦ 47,48 Ecclus. 24:1-12	Rev. 11:14-19 Luke 11:27-36
<i>Wednesday</i>	119:49-72 Ecclus. 28:14-26	✦ 49,[53] Rev. 12:1-6	Luke 11:37-52
<i>Thursday</i>	50	✦ [59,60] or 33 Ecclus. 31:12-18,25-32:2	Rev. 12:7-17 Luke 11:53-12:12
<i>Friday</i>	40,54	✦ 51 Ecclus. 34:1-8,18-22	Rev. 13:1-10 Luke 12:13-31
<i>Saturday</i>	55	✦ 138,139:1-17(18-23) Ecclus. 35:1-17	Rev. 13:11-18 Luke 12:32-48

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<i>Monday</i>	56, 57, [58]	✦ 64, 65 Ecclus. 38:24-34	Rev. 14:1-13 Luke 12:49-59
<i>Tuesday</i>	61, 62	✦ 68:1-20(21-23)24-36 Ecclus. 43:1-22	Rev. 14:14-15:8 Luke 13:1-9
<i>Wednesday</i>	72	✦ 119:73-96 Ecclus. 43:23-33	Rev. 16:1-11 Luke 13:10-17
<i>Thursday</i>	[70], 71	✦ 74 Ecclus. 44:1-15	Rev. 16:12-21 Luke 14:18-30
<i>Friday</i>	69:1-23(24-30)31-38 Ecclus. 50:1,11-24	✦ 73 Rev. 17:1-18	Luke 13:31-35
<i>Saturday</i>	75, 76	✦ 23, 27 Ecclus. 51:1-12	Rev. 18:1-14 Luke 14:1-11

Daily Office Year Two

# Occasional Prayers

## 43. *For Rain*

O God, heavenly Father, who by *thy* Son Jesus Christ *hast* promised to all those who seek *thy* kingdom and its righteousness all things necessary to sustain their life: Send us, we entreat *thee*, in this time of need, such moderate rain and showers, that we may receive the fruits of the earth, to our comfort and to *thy* honor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## 44. *For the Future of the Human Race*

O God our heavenly Father, you have blessed us and given us dominion over all the earth: Increase our reverence before the mystery of life; and give us new insight into your purposes for the human race, and new wisdom and determination in making provision for its future in accordance with your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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