

Friday Mid-Day Prayer Service

In Christ There Is No East or West



1 In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north,  
2 In Christ shall true hearts ev-'ry-where their high com - mu - nion find;  
3 Join hands, dis - ci - ples of the faith, what-e'er your race may be.  
4 In Christ now meet both east and west, in him meet south and north;



but one com - mu - ni - ty of love through-out the whole wide earth.  
his ser - vice is the gold - en cord close bind - ing hu - man-kind.  
All chil - dren of the liv - ing God are sure - ly kin to me.  
all Christ-ly souls are one in him through-out the whole wide earth.

Text: John Oxenham, 1852–1941, alt.

Music: MCKEE, African American spiritual; adapt. Harry T. Burleigh, 1866–1949

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C **And also with you.**
- P Let us pray. O God our refuge, in the midst of violence be a tower of safety for all who cry out to you. Strengthen our faith in your mercy, that we may sing your praise from generation to generation; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. (Psalm 61)
- C **Amen.**

## Many and Great, O God *Wakantanka taku nitawa*



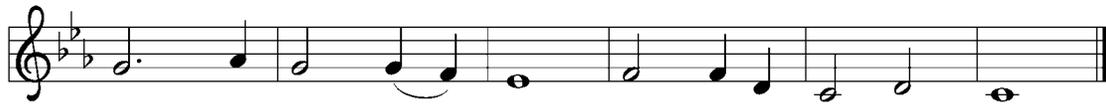
*Wa - kan-tan - ka ta - ku ni - ta - wa tan - ka - ya*  
 1 Man - y and great, O God, are your works, mak - er of  
 2 Grant un - to us com - mu - nion with you, O Star - a -



*qa o - ta. Ma - hpi - ya kin e - ya - hna - ke ca,*  
 earth and sky. Your hands have set the heav'ns with stars;  
 bid - ing One. Come un - to us and dwell with us;



*ma - ka kin he du - o - wan - ca. Mni - o - wan*  
 your fin - gers spread the moun - tains and plains. Lo, at your  
 with you are found the gifts of . . . life. Bless us with



*ca - sbe - ya - wan - ke cin, he - na o - ya - ki - hi.*  
 word the wa - ters were formed; deep seas o - bey your voice.  
 life that has no . . . end, e - ter - nal life with you.

Text: Joseph R. Renville, 1779–1846; para. Philip Frazier, 1892–1964, alt.  
 Music: LAC QUI PARLE, Dakota tune

### 1 Samuel 2:1-5

<sup>1</sup>Hannah prayed and said, "My heart exults in the LORD; my strength is exalted in my God. My mouth derides my enemies, because I rejoice in my victory." <sup>2</sup>"There is no Holy One like the LORD, no one besides you; there is no Rock like our God." <sup>3</sup>Talk no more so very proudly, let not arrogance come from your mouth; for the LORD is a God of knowledge, and by his actions are weighed." <sup>4</sup>The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength." <sup>5</sup>Those who were full have hired themselves out for bread, but those who were hungry are fat with spoil.

## For All the Faithful Women



1 For all the faith-ful wom - en who served in days of old,  
*Insert one or more of stanzas 3-11 or this general stanza 2:*  
2 O God, for saints and ser - vants, those named and those un-known,  
*Last* All praise to God the Fa - ther! All praise to Christ the Son!



to you shall thanks be giv - en; to all, their stor - y told.

in whom through all the a - ges your light of glo - ry shone,  
All praise to God the Spir - it, who binds the church as one!



They served with strength and glad - ness in tasks your wis - dom gave.

we of - fer glad thanks-giv - ing and fer - vent prayer we raise  
With saints who went be - fore us, with saints who wit - ness still,



To you their lives bore wit - ness, pro - claimed your pow'r to save.

that, faith - ful in your ser - vice, our lives may sing your praise.  
we sing glad al - le - lu - ias and strive to do your will.

### *Hannah*

4 To Hannah, praying childless  
before the throne of grace,  
you gave a son and called him  
to serve before your face.  
Grant us her perseverance;  
Lord, teach us how to pray  
and trust in your deliv'rance  
when darkness hides our way.

A Prayer for Fertility

God of Mercy,  
I have prayed,  
I have cried,  
I have shown my sorrow to heaven,

In the name of fulfilling Your command,  
In the name of fulfilling my birthright.

Mother.  
Vessel of life.  
Vessel of love.  
Source of joy.  
Source of generations.

Rock of Ages, Has my body betrayed me?  
Are my hopes and dreams Empty, barren, lost?

Grant me courage and fortitude  
Grant my doctors wisdom And my body strength,

So that I may know the holiness and wonder,  
The radiance and light,  
Of carrying life and giving birth,

In the fullness of health,  
In the fullness of joy,

With awe and thanksgiving,  
With gratitude and humility,  
In service to Your Holy Name.

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The LORD bless you and protect you!  
The LORD deal kindly and graciously with you!  
The LORD bestow His favor upon you and grant you peace!