

Prayer Service



Sister Grace Buckreis

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Nazareth Center Chapel

May 6, 2025

11:00 a.m.

Welcome

Opening Song: *O Breathe on Me, O Breath of God*
BB #641 vss. 1—4

Leader: Most loving and compassionate God, Sister Grace is gone now from this earthly dwelling. We give You thanks as we celebrate her life, hold her memory with gratitude, and live in the hope of the eternal kingdom where you will bring us together again.

All: Amen

Antiphon: ^{ALL} **As morning breaks I call upon your name, O God.**

Psalm 63

1. O Love, You are my Beloved, and I long for you,
my soul thirsts for You. All that is within me thirsts,
as in a dry and barren land with no water.
So I have called out to You in my heart,
sensing your power and glory.
2. Because your steadfast love is Life to me,
my lips will praise You.
I would radiate your love as long as I live,
becoming a blessing to others in gratitude to You.
1. My soul feasts as with a magnificent banquet,
and my mouth praises You with joyful lips,
when I ponder on your kindness, and
meditate on You throughout the night;
for You have been my salvation,
and in the shadows of your wings I sing for joy.

2. My soul clings to You, your love upholds me.
The fears that seem to separate me from You
shall be transformed and disappear.
As they are faced, each fear is diminished;
they shall be gone as in a dream when I awaken.
And my soul shall rejoice in the Beloved.
You who open your heart to Love
will live in peace and joy!

Antiphon: ^{ALL} **As morning breaks I call upon your
name, O God.**

Reading: *Galatians* 5:18, 22, 25—26

Sharing

Prayer to St. Agnes:

Behold, what I long coveted, I already see; what I hoped for I
now hold safe. To God alone I am associated in Heaven, whom
on earth I loved with all devotedness.

Leader: Pray for us, St. Agnes.

All: That we may be made worthy of the promises of
Christ.

Let us pray: Almighty and eternal God, who choose the weak
of the world to confound the strong, mercifully grant that we,
who are placed under the patronage of your virgin and martyr,
Agnes, may feel the benefit of her intercession with you.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Closing Song: *Only a Shadow* **BB #568, vss. 1, 3, 5**

