



# Exodus Liturgical Resources

Week Two

Exodus 6:2-8; 12:29-39

## Opening Sentence

Everyone who sins is a slave of sin. If the Son sets you free then you shall be free indeed. (John 8:36)

*John 8:36*

## A litany of thanksgiving

Praise be to God for all the riches he has lavished on us through Jesus:

For making us your children,

**Thank you, Lord.**

For setting us free,

**Thank you, Lord.**

For forgiving us,

**Thank you, Lord.**

For giving us your Spirit,

**Thank you, Lord.**

For promising us a future,

**Thank you, Lord.**

For your power at work in us,

**Thank you, Lord.**

For giving us each other,

**Thank you, Lord.**

For helping us to know you,

**Thank you, Lord.**

For freedom to come to you,

**Thank you, Lord.**

For your endless love,

**Thank you, Lord.**

Praise be to God for all the riches he has lavished on us through Jesus.

*Based on Ephesians 1-3*

## Penitence

You have called us to freedom in Jesus.

Forgive us that in so many areas of our lives we feel trapped and captive to things that hold us back.

Lord have mercy.

**Lord have mercy.**

You have called us to proclaim freedom to the poor.

Forgive us that so many people in our world are still trapped by poverty and injustice.

Christ have mercy

**Christ have mercy**

You have called us to freedom as we follow you.

Forgive us for all the baggage that slows us down on the journey

Lord have mercy.

**Lord have mercy.**

## Collect

Almighty God,  
you have called us from slavery  
into the freedom of your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ  
and lead us as a pilgrim people:  
grant that we who hear your call  
may let your word speak to the deepest places of our hearts,  
that we might put aside the hopes and desires of a captive  
people and become stewards of your promise. **Amen**

## Intercessions

Father, you heard the cry of your people in Egypt and acted to save them: we pray for those who are held captive by poverty in this country and in many troubled areas of the world. Where there is injustice, cruelty and the misuse of power, bring freedom and hope. Especially we pray for .....

Lord you call us to freedom.

**Lead us into the fullness of your promise.**

Father, you called Moses to lead your people into freedom: We pray for your people the church and for all those called to leadership and service among us. Renew their calling, strengthen their courage and grant them power in their ministry. Especially we pray for ...

Lord, you call us to freedom.

**Lead us into the fullness of your promise.**

Father, you called your people to keep watch together on the night they left Egypt and to be ready to leave. We pray for ourselves, our families, our friends and our church that we might be ready for your call and to follow you, strengthening each other on the journey. Especially we pray for ...

Lord, you call us to freedom.

**Lead us into the fullness of your promise.**

Father, you led your people safely through the Red Sea when they were frightened of what followed them. We pray for those who are struggling on the journey, fearing they cannot make it and of what they cannot leave behind. We pray for those who are hurt by the past; we pray for those who are sick in body or mind or spirit. Especially we pray for...

Lord, you call us to freedom.

**Lead us into the fullness of your promise.**

Lord, you heard the cry of a people broken in spirit. We pray for those who grieve the loss of a loved one, for those whose grief

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will not heal and those who fear what the future might hold.  
Especially we pray for...  
Lord, you call us to freedom.  
**Lead us into the fullness of your promise.**

**Offertory**

Blessed are you, Lord, God of all creation;  
through your goodness we have these gifts to share.  
Accept and use our offerings for your glory  
and for the service of your kingdom.  
Blessed be God for ever.

*Source unknown*

**Post communion prayer**

Father, you led your people Israel  
out of slavery in Egypt and into your freedom and promise.  
As we celebrate our own freedom  
in these gifts of bread and wine,  
may we learn to live as stewards  
of all you have promised and entrusted to us.  
Grant us grace to leave behind all that belongs to our captivity,  
take with us all that belongs to hope  
and enter into the fullness of your grace.

**Blessing**

Christ, who by his death and resurrection  
has set you free from sin,  
redeem your hearts and minds from all that holds you captive  
and grant you grace and strength to walk with him  
into the fullness of his promises to you  
and blessing of God Almighty ...

