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Thursday, October 15, 2020

+ OPENING CALL TO PRAISE AND PRAYER

O God, open our lips,
and our mouths shall proclaim your praise.
From the rising of the sun to its setting,
we praise your name, O God.

+ REMEMBRANCE OF BAPTISM

(Water may be touched, poured or sprinkled.)

By Word and water God renews us this day
in the living fountain of God's grace,
and raises us with Christ Jesus to live
a new life in the Spirit.

***Satisfy us in the morning with your steadfast love,
O God, that we may sing for joy
and be glad all our days.***

PSALM 90:14

+ MORNING HYMN OR CANTICLE

Come, let us sing to the Ho-ly One; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal-va-tion.

Let us come before God's presence with thanks-giving,*

and raise a loud shout with *psalms*.

For you, O God, are a great God,*

you are great a-bove all gods.

In your hand are the caverns of the *earth*,*

and the heights of the hills are yours also.

The sea is yours, for you made it,*

and your hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down and bend the *knee*,*

and kneel before God, our Maker.

For you are our God,

and we are the people of your pasture

and the sheep of your hand.*

Oh, that today we would hearken to your voice!

PSALM 95:1-7

+ MORNING PRAYER

The Holy One* be with you;

And also with you.

Let us pray:

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Give us, O Lord, steadfast hearts, which no unworthy thought can drag downward, unconquered hearts, which no tribulation can wear out, upright hearts, which no unworthy purpose may tempt aside. Bestow upon us also, O Lord our God, understanding to know you, diligence to seek you, wisdom to find you, and a faithfulness that may finally embrace you; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(SAINT THOMAS, ITALY, 13TH CENT., ALT.)

+ **Psalm 96:1-9** NRSV

Antiphon

For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;

he is to be revered above all gods.

¹ O sing to the LORD a new song;

sing to the LORD, all the earth.

² Sing to the LORD, bless his name;

tell of his salvation from day to day.

³ Declare his glory among the nations,

his marvelous works among all the peoples.

⁴ For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;

he is to be revered above all gods.

⁵ For all the gods of the peoples are idols,

but the LORD made the heavens.

⁶ Honor and majesty are before him;

strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.

⁷ Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,

ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

⁸ Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;

bring an offering, and come into his courts.

⁹ Worship the LORD in holy splendor;

tremble before him, all the earth.

Glory to you, O Trinity, most holy and *blessed*,
one God, now and for-ever, *A-men*.

For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised;

he is to be revered above all gods.

Silence

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+ **WORD:** 3 John 9-12 CEV

⁹ I wrote to the church. But Diotrephes likes to be the number-one leader, and he won't pay any attention to us.

¹⁰ So if I come, I will remind him of how he has been attacking us with gossip. Not only has he been doing this, but he refuses to welcome any of the Lord's followers who come by. And when other church members want to welcome them, he puts them out of the church.

¹¹ Dear friend, don't copy the evil deeds of others! Follow the example of people who do kind deeds. They are God's children, but those who are always doing evil have never seen God.

¹² Everyone speaks well of Demetrius, and so does the true message that he teaches. I also speak well of him, and you know what I say is true.

Holy wisdom, holy word.
Thanks be to God!

+SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

+ **CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH**

We bless you, Adonai, God of *Israel*,
for you come to visit us and ransom us from *bondage*.
You have brought forth a strong De-liverer
in the house of your child *David*.

**This is what your holy prophets an-nounced:
deliverance from enemies
and from the hand of all who hate *us*;
mercy a-mong our *ancestors*,
and remembrance of your ho-ly *covenant*.**

This is the promise you swore

to our an-cestor, *Abraham*,
to make us un-a-*fraid*,
to rescue us from our *enemies*,
to serve before you, holy and just,
all the days of our *lives*.

**And this, my little child,
shall be called prophet of the Most *High*,
going before you, Adonai, to pre-pare your *paths*,
making your people know de-liverance
by the forgiveness of their *sins*.**

Through your merciful compassions, God our *God*,

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the dawn from on high shall *visit us*,
to shine on those kept in dungeons
and the shadows of *death*
and to guide our feet onto the path of *peace*.

LUKE 1:68-79

Glory to you, O Trinity, most holy and *blessed*,
one God, now and for-ever, *A-men*.

+ **COMMEMORATION:** Teresa of Avila

“In *The Interior Castle*, Teresa shares her method of
‘mental’ prayer with her sister nuns, describing the
soul as a castle and how the inward journey into it
yields union with the Incarnate Christ. Her greatest
contribution to Western spirituality is her treatment of
the entire journey of prayer, from meditation to
mystical union.”

* For All The Saints

+SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

+ COLLECT OF THE DAY: Teresa of Avila

God our Teacher, from whom comes all true
knowledge: So bind your words to our lives and
write them on the tablets of our hearts, that we may
not be swayed by false winds; and grant us faithful
guides like your servant Teresa of Avila, that our
path to you be made straight and sure through
Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you
and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Amen.

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Click for more information: [Link #1](#) and [Link #2](#)

+ **PRAYERS**

The Holy One be with you,
and also with you.

Let us pray:

+ SILENT PRAYER

Requests known to you

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+ FOR A SICK PERSON

O Father of mercies and God of all comfort, our only help in time of need: We humbly beseech you to behold, visit, and relieve your sick servants for whom our prayers are desired. Look upon them with the eyes of your mercy; comfort them with a sense of your goodness; preserve them from the temptations of the enemy; and give them patience under their affliction. In your good time, restore them to health, and enable them to live the remainder of their lives in your awe, and to your glory; and grant that finally they may dwell with you in life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

[BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER] adapted

+ COLLECT OF THE WEEK

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

+ PRAYER FOR the President of the United States and all in Civil Authority

O Lord our Governor, whose glory is in all the world: We commend this nation to your merciful care, that, being guided by your Providence, we may dwell secure in your peace. Grant to the President of the United States, the Governor of this State, and to all in authority, wisdom and strength to know and to do your will. Fill them with the love of truth and righteousness, and make them ever mindful of their calling to serve this people in your fear; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end.

Amen.

+ FOR ALL SORTS AND CONDITIONS OF MEN

O God, the creator and preserver of all mankind, we humbly beseech you for all sorts and conditions of men; that thou would be pleased to make your ways known unto them, your saving health unto all nations. More especially we pray for your holy Church universal; that it

may be so guided and governed by your good Spirit, that all who profess and call themselves Christians may be led into the way of truth, and hold the faith in unity of spirit, in the bond of peace, and in righteousness of life. Finally, we commend to your fatherly goodness all those who are in any ways afflicted or distressed, in mind, body, or estate, that it may please you to comfort and relieve them according to their several necessities, giving them patience under their sufferings, and a happy issue out of all their afflictions. And this we beg for Jesus Christ's sake. **Amen.**

+ **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

***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.
Save us from the time of trial***

***and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours
now and forever. Amen.***

+ **CONCLUDING PRAYER**

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father,
You have brought us in safety to this new day:
preserve us with your mighty power,
that we may not fall into sin,
nor be overcome by adversity;
and in all we do direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose,
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

+ **BLESSING**

May God grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, ¹⁷ and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love.

Ephesians 3:16-17

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