Tuesday, October 13, 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 <u>Ho</u>-ly *One*; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of <u>our</u> sal-vation. **Let us come before God's presence <u>with</u> thanks-giving,***

and raise a loud shout with *psalms*.

For you, O God, <u>are a</u> great *God*,*

you are great a-bove all gods.

In your hand are the <u>caverns</u> of the *earth*,* and the heights of the hills <u>are</u> 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:

We give you hearty thanks for the rest of the past night and for the gift of a new day, with its opportunities of pleasing you. Grant that we may so pass its hours in the perfect freedom of your service, that at eventide we may again give thanks unto you. *Amen.*

[UM Book of Worship]

+ Psalm 34 NRSV

Antiphon:

The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry.

- ¹ I will bless the LORD at all times; his praise shall continually be in my mouth.
- ² My soul makes its boast in the LORD; let the humble hear and be glad.
- ³ O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.
- ⁴I sought the LORD, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears.
- ⁵ Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed.
- ⁶ This poor soul cried, and was heard by the LORD, and was saved from every trouble.
- ⁷ The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him, and delivers them.
- ⁸ O taste and see that the LORD is good; happy are those who take refuge in him.
- ⁹ O fear the LORD, you his holy ones, for those who fear him have no want.

- ¹⁰ The young lions suffer want and hunger, but those who seek the LORD lack no good thing.
- 11 Come, O children, listen to me;I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
- Which of you desires life, and covets many days to enjoy good?
- ¹³ Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit.
- ¹⁴ Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it.
- ¹⁵ The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry.
- ¹⁶ The face of the LORD is against evildoers, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.
- ¹⁷ When the righteous cry for help, the LORD hears, and rescues them from all their troubles.
- ¹⁸ The LORD is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit.
- ¹⁹ Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the LORD rescues them from them all.
- ²⁰ He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken.
- ²¹ Evil brings death to the wicked,

and those who hate the righteous will be condemned.

22 The LORD redeems the life of his servants;
none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

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

The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry.

+ SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

+ WORD: Philippians 3:13-4:1 CEV

¹³ My friends, I don't feel that I have already arrived. But I forget what is behind, and I struggle for what is ahead.

¹⁴ I run toward the goal, so that I can win the prize of being called to heaven. This is the prize that God offers because of what Christ Jesus has done. ¹⁵ All of us who are mature should think in this same way. And if any of you think differently, God will make it clear to you. ¹⁶ But we must keep going in the direction that we are now headed.

¹⁷ My friends, I want you to follow my example and learn from others who closely follow the example we set for you. ¹⁸ I often warned you that many people are living as enemies of the cross of Christ. And now with tears in my eyes, I warn you again ¹⁹ that they are headed for hell! They worship their stomachs and brag about the disgusting things they do. All they can think about are the things of this world.

²⁰ But we are citizens of heaven and are eagerly waiting for our Savior to come from there. Our Lord Jesus Christ ²¹ has power over everything, and he will make these poor bodies of ours like his own glorious body.

Dear friends, I love you and long to see you. Please keep on being faithful to the Lord. You are my pride and joy.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God!

+ SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

+ CANTICLE OF ZECHARIAH

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

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

This is the promise you swore to our <u>an</u>-cestor, *Abraham*, to make us <u>un</u>-a-*fraid*, to rescue us <u>from</u> our *enemies*, to serve before you, holy and just, all the days <u>of</u> 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, <u>God</u> our *God*,
the dawn from on <u>high</u> shall *visit us*,
to shine on those kept in dungeons and the <u>shadows</u> of *death*and to guide our feet onto the <u>path</u> of *peace*. [LUKE 1:68-79;]

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

+ COMMEMORATION: Gilbert of Sempringham

Not physically fit enough to enter the military and not a good student in school, Gilbert had a religious experience that changed his life during his studies in France. On his return home to Lincolnshire England (about 70 miles from John Wesley's birthplace six centuries later), Gilbert began teaching the local children of the neighborhood and ministering to their needs. Interestingly, he neither liked school nor wanted to become a church leader – but was called to do both. The creation of the "Gilbertine Order provided a rare opportunity for poor people from rural areas to live out a calling to monasticism."

* For All The Saints

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+ SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

+ COLLECT OF THE DAY: Gilbert of Sempringham
O Gracious God, our Shepherd, we thank you for raising up Gilbert of Sempringham as pastor and abbot in your church. Remember Gilbert of Sempringham's faithfulness and care, fill all shepherds of your church with truth in doctrine, fidelity in Word and Sacrament, and boldness and vision in leading the people, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

* For All the Saints

+ PRAYERS

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

Let us pray:

+ SILENT PRAYER

+ FOR HEALTH OF BODY AND SOUL

For those we have lifted up today, may God the Father bless you, God the Son heal you, God the Holy Spirit give you strength. May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to his heavenly country; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

+ 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.

+ FOR PROTECTION

Assist us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of thy servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life,

they may ever be defended by thy gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

+ PRAYERS FOR UNITY OF THE CHURCH

Almighty Father, whose blessed Son before his passion prayed for his disciples that they might be one, even as you and he are one: Grant that your Church, being bound together in love and obedience to you, may be united in one body by the one Spirit, that the world may believe in him whom you did send, the same your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the same Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *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

Before us it is blessed, behind us it is blessed, below us it is blessed, above us it is blessed, around us it is blessed as we set out with Christ.

Our speech is blessed as we set out for God.

With beauty before us, with beauty behind us, with beauty below us, with beauty above us, with beauty around us, we set out for a holy place indeed. *Amen.*TRDITIONAL NAVAHO PRAYER, ALT.)

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