

Monday, June 14, 2021

\* **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**

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.

\* OSL

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

\* **MORNING CANTICLE OF THANKSGIVING**

It is good to give thanks to the *LORD*,  
to sing praises to your name, O Most *High*;  
**to declare your steadfast love in the morning,  
and your faithful-ness by night,**  
to the music of the lute and the *harp*,  
to the melody of the lyre.

**For you, O LORD, have made me glad by your work;  
at the works of your hands I sing for joy.**

How great are your works, O LORD!

Your thoughts are ver-y deep!

Psalm 92:1-5

\* **MORNING PRAYER**

The Holy One\* be with you;

**And also with you.**

Let us pray:

**Oh God, The Holy Spirit,  
come to us, and among us;  
come as the wind, and cleanse us;  
come as the fire, and burn;  
come as the dew, and refresh;  
convict, convert, and consecrate many hearts and lives  
to our great good and to your greater glory;  
and this we ask for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen**

[UM Book of Worship.]

\* **WORD: 1 Samuel 1:1-20** CEB

<sup>1</sup> Now there was a certain man from Ramathaim, a Zuphite from the highlands of Ephraim, whose name was Elkanah. He was from the tribe of Ephraim, and he was the son of

Jeroham son of Elihu son of Tohu son of Zuph. <sup>2</sup> Elkanah had two wives, one named Hannah and the other named Peninnah. Peninnah had children, but Hannah didn't.

<sup>3</sup> Every year this man would leave his town to worship and sacrifice to the LORD of heavenly forces in Shiloh, where Eli's two sons Hophni and Phinehas were the LORD's priests.

<sup>4</sup> Whenever he sacrificed, Elkanah would give parts of the sacrifice to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters. <sup>5</sup> But he would give only one part of it to Hannah, though he loved her, because the LORD had kept her from conceiving. <sup>6</sup> And because the LORD had kept Hannah from conceiving, her rival would make fun of her mercilessly, just to bother her. <sup>7</sup> So that is what took place year after year. Whenever Hannah went to the Lord's house, Peninnah would make fun of her. Then she would cry and wouldn't eat anything.

<sup>8</sup> "Hannah, why are you crying?" her husband Elkanah would say to her. "Why won't you eat? Why are you so sad? Aren't I worth more to you than ten sons?"

<sup>9</sup> One time, after eating and drinking in Shiloh, Hannah got up and presented herself before the LORD. (Now Eli the priest was sitting in the chair by the doorpost of the LORD's temple.) <sup>10</sup> Hannah was very upset and couldn't stop crying as she prayed to the LORD. <sup>11</sup> Then she made this promise:

"LORD of heavenly forces, just look at your servant's pain and remember me! Don't forget your servant! Give her a boy! Then I'll give him to the LORD for his entire life. No razor will ever touch his head."

<sup>12</sup> As she kept praying before the LORD, Eli watched her mouth. <sup>13</sup> Now Hannah was praying in her heart; her lips were moving, but her voice was silent, so Eli thought she was drunk.

<sup>14</sup> "How long will you act like a drunk? Sober up!" Eli told her.

<sup>15</sup> "No sir!" Hannah replied. "I'm just a very sad woman. I haven't had any wine or beer but have been pouring out my heart to the LORD. <sup>16</sup> Don't think your servant is some good-for-nothing woman. This whole time I've been praying out of my great worry and trouble!"

<sup>17</sup> Eli responded, "Then go in peace. And may the God of Israel give you what you've asked from him."

<sup>18</sup> "Please think well of me, your servant," Hannah said. Then the woman went on her way, ate some food, and wasn't sad any longer.

<sup>19</sup> They got up early the next morning and worshipped the LORD. Then they went back home to Ramah. Elkanah had sex with his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her.

<sup>20</sup> So in the course of time, Hannah conceived and gave birth

to a son. She named him Samuel, which means “I asked the LORD for him.”

Holy wisdom, holy word.

***Thanks be to God!***

\* **Psalm 80** NRSV

***Restore us, O God of hosts;***

***let your face shine, that we may be saved.***

<sup>1</sup> Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel,

you who lead Joseph like a flock!

You who are enthroned upon the cherubim, shine forth

<sup>2</sup> before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh.

Stir up your might,

and come to save us!

<sup>3</sup> Restore us, O God;

let your face shine, that we may be saved.

<sup>4</sup> O LORD God of hosts,

how long will you be angry with your people’s prayers?

<sup>5</sup> You have fed them with the bread of tears,

and given them tears to drink in full measure.

<sup>6</sup> You make us the scorn of our neighbors;

our enemies laugh among themselves.

<sup>7</sup> Restore us, O God of hosts;

let your face shine, that we may be saved.

<sup>8</sup> You brought a vine out of Egypt;

you drove out the nations and planted it.

<sup>9</sup> You cleared the ground for it;

it took deep root and filled the land.

<sup>10</sup> The mountains were covered with its shade,

the mighty cedars with its branches;

<sup>11</sup> it sent out its branches to the sea,

and its shoots to the River.

<sup>12</sup> Why then have you broken down its walls,

so that all who pass along the way pluck its fruit?

<sup>13</sup> The boar from the forest ravages it,

and all that move in the field feed on it.

<sup>14</sup> Turn again, O God of hosts;

look down from heaven, and see;

have regard for this vine,

<sup>15</sup> the stock that your right hand planted.

<sup>16</sup> They have burned it with fire, they have cut it down;

may they perish at the rebuke of your countenance.

<sup>17</sup> But let your hand be upon the one at your right hand,

the one whom you made strong for yourself.

<sup>18</sup> Then we will never turn back from you;

give us life, and we will call on your name.

<sup>19</sup> Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;  
let your face shine, that we may be saved.

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

***Restore us, O God of hosts;  
let your face shine, that we may be saved.***

\* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

\* **WORD: Luke 20:9-19** CEB

<sup>9</sup> Jesus told the people this parable: “A certain man planted a vineyard, rented it to tenant farmers, and went on a trip for a long time. <sup>10</sup> When it was time, he sent a servant to collect from the tenants his share of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants sent him away, beaten and empty-handed. <sup>11</sup> The man sent another servant. But they beat him, treated him disgracefully, and sent him away empty-handed as well. <sup>12</sup> He sent a third servant. They wounded this servant and threw him out. <sup>13</sup> The owner of the vineyard said, ‘What should I do? I’ll send my son, whom I love dearly. Perhaps they will respect him.’ <sup>14</sup> But when they saw him, they said to each other, ‘This is the heir. Let’s kill him so the inheritance will be ours.’ <sup>15</sup> They threw him out of the vineyard and killed

him. What will the owner of the vineyard do to them? <sup>16</sup> He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.”

When the people heard this, they said, “May this never happen!”

<sup>17</sup> Staring at them, Jesus said, “Then what is the meaning of this text of scripture: *The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone?* <sup>18</sup> Everyone who falls on that stone will be crushed. And the stone will crush the person it falls on.” <sup>19</sup> The legal experts and chief priests wanted to arrest him right then because they knew he had told this parable against them. But they feared the people.

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*,

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*.

Glory to you, O Trinity, most holy and *blessed*,

one God, now and for-ever, *A-men*.

\* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

\* **THE APOSTLE'S CREED**

*I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.*

*And in Jesus Christ,*

*his only Son, our Lord;*

*who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,*

*born of the virgin Mary,*

*suffered under Pontius Pilate,*

*was crucified, died, and was buried;*

*the third day he rose from the dead;*

*he ascended into heaven,*

*and sits at the right hand of the Father Almighty.*

*From there he shall come again to judge*

*the living and the dead.*

*I believe in the Holy Spirit,*

*the holy catholic Church,*

*the communion of saints,*

*the forgiveness of sins,*

*the resurrection of the body,*

*and the life everlasting. Amen.*

\* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

\* **COMMEMORATION:** **Basil the Great** (379)

Basil was born into an aristocratic family in the Roman province of Cappadocia. His family was Christian, largely because of the conversion of his grandmother Macrina. He was educated in Constantinople and Athens and returned home to take up the profession of a teacher of rhetoric. His sister Macrina (see July 19) persuaded Basil to abandon his work in order to pursue a life of asceticism. After a variety of experiments in solitary and communal ascetic living (including visits to Christian ascetics in Syria and Egypt), Basil began to form small communities of ascetics who strove to live what they believed was the authentic life of discipleship. His communities were an urban phenomenon and remained closely associated with the urban churches of Cappadocia. In Basil's Ascetic Discourse, Longer Rules, and Shorter Rules, he applies the precepts of the New Testament writings to these communities. Basil never refers to his ascetics as monks in these writings. He simply calls them Christians.

\* For All the Saints

\* **PRAYERS**

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

Let us pray: *(stop and pray for those on your heart today)*

\* **COLLECT:** **Basil the Great**

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 Basil the Great, 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.

\* For All the Saints

\* PRAYERS FOR THOSE WHO MOURN

***Gracious God, as your son wept with Mary and Martha at the tomb of Lazarus, look with compassion this day on those who grieve. Grant them the assurance of your presence now and faith in your eternal goodness, that in them may be fulfilled the promise that those who mourn shall be comforted; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

United Methodist Hymnal – *adapted*

\* FOR JOY IN GOD'S CREATION

O heavenly Father, who hast filled the world with beauty:  
Open our eyes to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works;  
that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, we may learn to serve  
thee with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all  
things were made, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

\* FOR YOUNG PERSONS

**God our Father, you see your children growing up in an  
unsteady and confusing world: Show them that your  
ways give more life than the ways of the world, and that  
following you is better than chasing after selfish goals.  
Help them to take failure, not as a measure of their  
worth, but as a chance for a new start. Give them  
strength to hold their faith in you, and to keep alive their  
joy in your creation; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
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.**

\* COLLECT OF THE WEEK

Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast  
faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your  
truth with boldness, and minister your justice with  
compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who  
lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now  
and for ever. **Amen.**

\* PRAYER OF JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

**Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with  
one accord to make our common supplication to you; and  
you have promised through your well-beloved Son that**

*when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. 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**

And now may the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you now and always. **Amen**

## Morning Prayer

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