

Tuesday, May 10, 2022

*Alleluia! Christ is risen.*

*The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

\* **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.***

\* **CANTICLE OF THE RESURRECTION**

*Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;*

*therefore let us keep the feast,*

*not with the old leaven of malice and evil,*

*but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.*

***Christ being raised from the dead***

***will never die again;***

***death no longer has dominion over him.***

***The death he died, he died to sin, once for all,***

***but the life he lives, he lives to God.***

*So consider yourselves dead to sin*

*and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.*

*For as in Adam all die,*

*so also in Christ shall all be made alive.*

*Alleluia!*

\* OSL

\* **MORNING PRAYER**

The Holy One be with you;

***And also with you.***

Let us pray:

***Almighty and everlasting God, in whom we live and move and have our being, you created us for yourself, so that our hearts are restless until they***

***find rest in you. Grant to us such piety of heart and strength of purpose that no selfish passion may hinder us from knowing your will, and no weakness from doing it. In your light may we see life clearly and, in your service, find perfect freedom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.***

St. Augustine

\* **Psalm 45:1-7** NRSV

***You love righteousness and hate wickedness.  
Therefore God,  
has anointed you with the oil of gladness.***

<sup>1</sup> My heart overflows with a goodly theme;  
I address my verses to the king;  
my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe.

<sup>2</sup> You are the most handsome of men;  
grace is poured upon your lips;  
therefore God has blessed you forever.

<sup>3</sup> Gird your sword on your thigh, O mighty one,  
in your glory and majesty.

<sup>4</sup> In your majesty ride on victoriously  
for the cause of truth and to defend the right;  
let your right hand teach you dread deeds.

<sup>5</sup> Your arrows are sharp  
in the heart of the king's enemies;  
the peoples fall under you.

<sup>6</sup> Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever.  
Your royal scepter is a scepter of equity;

<sup>7</sup> you love righteousness and hate wickedness.  
Therefore God, your God, has anointed you  
with the oil of gladness beyond your companions;

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

***You love righteousness and hate wickedness.  
Therefore God,  
has anointed you with the oil of gladness.***

\* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

\* **1<sup>st</sup> READING: 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10** CEB

From Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy.

To the Thessalonians' church that is in God the Father  
and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Grace and peace to all of you.

<sup>2</sup> We always thank God for all of you when we mention you constantly in our prayers. <sup>3</sup> This is because we remember your work that comes from faith, your effort that comes from love, and your perseverance that comes from hope in our Lord Jesus Christ in the presence of our God and Father. <sup>4</sup> Brothers and sisters, you are loved by God, and we know that he has chosen you. <sup>5</sup> We know this because our good news didn't come to you just in speech but also with power and the Holy Spirit and with deep conviction. You know as well as we do what kind of people we were when we were with you, which was for your sake. <sup>6</sup> You became imitators of us and of the Lord when you accepted the message that came from the Holy Spirit with joy in spite of great suffering. <sup>7</sup> As a result you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and Achaia. <sup>8</sup> The message about the Lord rang out from you, not only in Macedonia and Achaia but in every place. The news about your faithfulness to God has spread so that we don't even need to mention it. <sup>9</sup> People tell us about what sort of welcome we had from you and how you turned to God from idols. As a result, you are serving the living and true God, <sup>10</sup> and you are waiting for his Son from heaven. His Son is Jesus, who is the one he raised

from the dead and who is the one who will rescue us from the coming wrath.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

***Thanks be to God!***

\* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

\* **2<sup>nd</sup> READING:** **Matthew 5:11-16** CEB

<sup>11</sup> "Happy are you when people insult you and harass you and speak all kinds of bad and false things about you, all because of me. <sup>12</sup> Be full of joy and be glad, because you have a great reward in heaven. In the same way, people harassed the prophets who came before you.

<sup>13</sup> "You are the salt of the earth. But if salt loses its saltiness, how will it become salty again? It's good for nothing except to be thrown away and trampled under people's feet. <sup>14</sup> You are the light of the world. A city on top of a hill can't be hidden. <sup>15</sup> Neither do people light a

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lamp and put it under a basket. Instead, they put it on top of a lampstand, and it shines on all who are in the house.  
<sup>16</sup> In the same way, let your light shine before people, so they can see the good things you do and praise your Father who is in heaven.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

***Thanks be to God!***

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\* **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*.

\* **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

\* **PRAYERS**

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

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

\* PRAYER FOR RECOVERY OF SICKNESS

O God of heavenly powers, by the might of your command you drive away from our bodies all sickness and all infirmity: Be present in your goodness with those we lift today, that their weaknesses may be banished and their strength restored; and that with health being renewed, all may bless your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
***Amen.***

\* IN THE MORNING

***This is another day, O Lord. I know not what it will bring, but make me ready, Lord, for whatever it may be. If I am to stand up, help me to stand bravely. If I am to sit still, help me to sit quietly. If I am to lie low, help me to do it patiently. And if I am to do nothing, let me do it gallantly. Make these words more than words, and give me the Spirit of Jesus. Amen.***

\* PRAYER FOR THOSE WE LOVE

Almighty God, we entrust all who are dear to us to your never-failing care and love, for this life and the life to come, knowing that you are doing for them better things

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than we can desire or pray for; 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

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people; Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he

leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and 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,

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through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

\* **BLESSING**

“The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace. **Amen.**”

## Morning Prayer

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