Tuesday, June 14, 2022

* 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 PRAISE

Come, let us sing to the <u>Ho</u>ly *One*;
let us shout for joy to the Rock of <u>our</u> salvation.

Let us come before God's presence

with thanksgiving,

and raise a loud shout with psalms.

For you, O God, <u>are a great God</u>, you are great a<u>bove</u> all gods. In your hand are the <u>caverns</u> of the earth, and the heights of the hills are yours also.

The sea is yours, <u>for</u> you made it, and your hands have molded <u>the</u> dry land. **Come, let us bow down and <u>bend</u> the knee, and kneel before <u>God</u>, 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!

* 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.

* Psalm 78:1-8 NRSV

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.

- ¹ Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth.
- ² I will open my mouth in a parable;I will utter dark sayings from of old,
- ³ things that we have heard and known, that our ancestors have told us.
- ⁴ We will not hide them from their children; we will tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.
- ⁵ He established a decree in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our ancestors to teach to their children;
 ⁶ that the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and rise up and tell them to their children,
 ⁷ so that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments;

- 8 and that they should not be like their ancestors, a stubborn and rebellious generation,
- a generation whose heart was not steadfast, whose spirit was not faithful to God.
- Glory to you, O Trinity, most <u>holy</u> and *blessed*, one God, now and for-<u>ever</u>, A-*men*.

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* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

* 1st READING: Romans 1:16-25 CEB

¹⁶ I'm not ashamed of the gospel: it is God's own power for salvation to all who have faith in God, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ God's righteousness is being revealed in the gospel, from faithfulness for faith, as it is written, *The righteous person will live by faith*.

¹⁸ God's wrath is being revealed from heaven against all the ungodly behavior and the injustice of human beings who silence the truth with injustice. ¹⁹ This is because what is known about God should be plain to them

because God made it plain to them. ²⁰ Ever since the creation of the world, God's invisible qualities—God's eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, because they are understood through the things God has made. So humans are without excuse. ²¹ Although they knew God, they didn't honor God as God or thank him. Instead, their reasoning became pointless, and their foolish hearts were darkened. ²² While they were claiming to be wise, they made fools of themselves. ²³ They exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images that look like mortal humans: birds, animals, and reptiles. ²⁴ So God abandoned them to their hearts' desires, which led to the moral corruption of degrading their own bodies with each other. ²⁵ They traded God's truth for a lie, and they worshipped and served the creation instead of the creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God!

* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

* 2nd READING: Matthew 17:22-27 CEB

²² When the disciples came together in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Human One is about to be delivered over into human hands. ²³ They will kill him. But he will be raised on the third day." And they were heartbroken.

²⁴ When they came to Capernaum, the people who collected the half-shekel temple tax came to Peter and said, "Doesn't your teacher pay the temple tax?"

²⁵ "Yes," he said.

But when they came into the house, Jesus spoke to Peter first. "What do you think, Simon? From whom do earthly kings collect taxes, from their children or from strangers?"

26 "From strangers," he said.

Jesus said to him, "Then the children don't have to pay.

27 But just so we don't offend them, go to the lake, throw out a fishing line and hook, and take the first fish you catch. When you open its mouth, you will find a shekel coin. Take it and pay the tax for both of us."

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*.

Glory to you, O Trinity, most <u>holy</u> 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)

* 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*.

* FOR THOSE CELEBRATING BRTHDAYS TODAY

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

* FOR THOSE WHO LIVE ALONE

Almighty God, whose Son had nowhere to lay his head: Grant that those who live alone may not be lonely in their solitude, but that, following in his steps, they may find fulfillment in loving you and their neighbors; 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

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, 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 wellbeloved 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

The amazing grace of the Master, Jesus Christ, the extravagant love of God, the intimate friendship of the Holy Spirit, be with all of you. *Amen.*

Morning Prayer

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