

Tuesday, June 7, 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.  
***Satisfy us in the morning  
with your steadfast love, O God,  
that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.***

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**\* MORNING CANTICLE OF PRAISE**

Come, let us sing to the Holy One;  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
***Let us come before God's presence  
with thanksgiving,  
and raise a loud shout with psalms.***

For you, O God, are a great God,  
you are great above 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:

***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 62](#) NRSV

***Trust in him at all times, O people;  
pour out your heart before him;  
God is a refuge for us.***

<sup>1</sup> For God alone my soul waits in silence;  
from him comes my salvation.

<sup>2</sup> He alone is my rock and my salvation,  
my fortress; I shall never be shaken.

<sup>3</sup> How long will you assail a person,  
will you batter your victim, all of you,  
as you would a leaning wall, a tottering fence?

<sup>4</sup> Their only plan is to bring down a person of prominence.  
They take pleasure in falsehood;  
they bless with their mouths,  
but inwardly they curse. *Selah*

<sup>5</sup> For God alone my soul waits in silence,  
for my hope is from him.

<sup>6</sup> He alone is my rock and my salvation,  
my fortress; I shall not be shaken.

<sup>7</sup> On God rests my deliverance and my honor;  
my mighty rock, my refuge is in God.

<sup>8</sup> Trust in him at all times, O people;  
pour out your heart before him;  
God is a refuge for us. *Selah*

<sup>9</sup> Those of low estate are but a breath,  
those of high estate are a delusion;  
in the balances they go up;  
they are together lighter than a breath.

<sup>10</sup> Put no confidence in extortion,  
and set no vain hopes on robbery;  
if riches increase, do not set your heart on them.

<sup>11</sup> Once God has spoken;  
twice have I heard this:  
that power belongs to God,

<sup>12</sup> and steadfast love belongs to you, O Lord.  
For you repay to all  
according to their work.

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

***Trust in him at all times, O people;  
pour out your heart before him;  
God is a refuge for us.***

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\* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

\* **1<sup>st</sup> READING: Galatians 4:21-31** CEB

<sup>21</sup> Tell me—those of you who want to be under the Law—don't you listen to the Law? <sup>22</sup> It's written that Abraham had two sons, one by the slave woman and one by the free woman. <sup>23</sup> The son by the slave woman was conceived the normal way, but the son by the free woman was conceived through a promise. <sup>24</sup> These things are an allegory: the women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, which gives birth to slave children; this is Hagar. <sup>25</sup> Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia, and she corresponds to the present-day Jerusalem, because the city is in slavery with her children. <sup>26</sup> But the Jerusalem that is above is free, and she is our mother. <sup>27</sup> It's written:

*Rejoice, barren woman, you who have not given birth.*

*Break out with a shout, you who have not suffered labor pains;*

*because the woman who has been deserted will have many more children*

*than the woman who has a husband.*

<sup>28</sup> Brothers and sisters, you are children of the promise like Isaac. <sup>29</sup> But just as it was then, so it is now also: the one who was conceived the normal way harassed the one who was conceived by the Spirit. <sup>30</sup> But what does the scripture say? *Throw out the slave woman and her son, because the slave woman's son won't share the inheritance with the free woman's son.* <sup>31</sup> Therefore, brothers and sisters, we aren't the slave woman's children, but we are the free woman's children.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

***Thanks be to God!***

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\* **2<sup>nd</sup> READING: Matthew 15:29-39** CEB

<sup>29</sup> Jesus moved on from there along the shore of the Galilee Sea. He went up a mountain and sat down.

<sup>30</sup> Large crowds came to him, including those who were paralyzed, blind, injured, and unable to speak, and many others. They laid them at his feet, and he healed them.

<sup>31</sup> So the crowd was amazed when they saw those who

had been unable to speak talking, and the paralyzed cured, and the injured walking, and the blind seeing. And they praised the God of Israel.

<sup>32</sup> Now Jesus called his disciples and said, “I feel sorry for the crowd because they have been with me for three days and have nothing to eat. I don’t want to send them away hungry for fear they won’t have enough strength to travel.”

<sup>33</sup> His disciples replied, “Where are we going to get enough food in this wilderness to satisfy such a big crowd?”

<sup>34</sup> Jesus said, “How much bread do you have?”

They responded, “Seven loaves and a few fish.”

<sup>35</sup> He told the crowd to sit on the ground. <sup>36</sup> He took the seven loaves of bread and the fish. After he gave thanks, he broke them into pieces and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. <sup>37</sup> Everyone ate until they were full. The disciples collected seven baskets full of leftovers. <sup>38</sup> Four thousand men ate, plus women and children. <sup>39</sup> After dismissing the crowds, Jesus got into the boat and came to the region of Magadan.

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*.

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)*

\* **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.**

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\* PRAYER FOR CONSERVATION of Natural Resources

*Almighty God, in giving us dominion over things on earth, you made us fellow workers in your creation: Give us wisdom and reverence so to use the resources of nature, that no one may suffer from our abuse of them, and that generations yet to come may continue to praise you for your bounty; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

\* PRAYERS FOR CITIES

Heavenly Father, in your Word you have given us a vision of that Holy City to which the nations of the world bring their glory: Behold and visit, we pray, the cities of the earth. Renew the ties of mutual regard which form our civic life. Send us honest and able leaders. Enable us to eliminate poverty, prejudice, and oppression, that peace may prevail with righteousness, and justice with order, and that men and women from different cultures and with differing talents may find with one another the fulfillment of their humanity; 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, who on this past Sunday taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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,  
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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