Tuesday, October 25, 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 45:1-7 NRSV

You love righteousness and hate wickedness. Therefore God,

has anointed you with the oil of gladness.

- My heart overflows with a goodly theme;
 I address my verses to the king;
 my tongue is like the pen of a ready scribe.
- ² You are the most handsome of men; grace is poured upon your lips; therefore God has blessed you forever.
- ³ Gird your sword on your thigh, O mighty one, in your glory and majesty.
- ⁴ In your majesty ride on victoriously for the cause of truth and to defend the right; let your right hand teach you dread deeds.
- ⁵ Your arrows are sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; the peoples fall under you.
- ⁶ Your throne, O God, endures forever and ever. Your royal scepter is a scepter of equity;
- 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 <u>holy</u> and *blessed*, one God, now and for-ever, A-*men*.

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* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

- * 1st READING: Revelation 11:14-19 NRSV
- ¹⁴ The second woe has passed. The third woe is coming very soon.
- ¹⁵ Then the seventh angel blew his trumpet, and there were loud voices in heaven, saying,

'The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord

and of his Messiah, and he will reign for ever and ever.' 16 Then the twenty-four elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces and worshipped God, ¹⁷singing,

'We give you thanks, Lord God Almighty, who are and who were, for you have taken your great power and begun to reign.

The nations raged, but your wrath has come, and the time for judging the dead, for rewarding your servants, the prophets and saints and all who fear your name, both small and great, and for destroying those who destroy the earth.'

¹⁹ Then God's temple in heaven was opened, and the ark of his covenant was seen within his temple; and there were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, and heavy hail.

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God!

* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

* 2nd **READING**: Luke 11:27-36 NRSV

²⁷ While he was saying this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, 'Blessed is the womb that bore you and the breasts that nursed you!' ²⁸But he said, 'Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it!'

²⁹ When the crowds were increasing, he began to say, 'This generation is an evil generation; it asks for a sign, but no sign will be given to it except the sign of Jonah.

³⁰For just as Jonah became a sign to the people of Nineveh, so the Son of Man will be to this generation.

³¹The queen of the South will rise at the judgement with the people of this generation and condemn them, because she came from the ends of the earth to listen to the wisdom of Solomon, and see, something greater than Solomon is here! ³²The people of Nineveh will rise up at the judgement with this generation and condemn it, because they repented at the proclamation of Jonah, and see, something greater than Jonah is here!

33 'No one after lighting a lamp puts it in a cellar, but on the lampstand so that those who enter may see the light.
34Your eye is the lamp of your body. If your eye is healthy, your whole body is full of light; but if it is not healthy, your

body is full of darkness. ³⁵Therefore consider whether the light in you is not darkness. ³⁶If then your whole body is full of light, with no part of it in darkness, it will be as full of light as when a lamp gives you light with its rays.'

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-mong 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 from our *enemies*,

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 <u>holy</u> and *blessed*, one God, now and for-<u>ever</u>, 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*.

* PRAYER FOR PEACE AMONG THE NATIONS

Almighty God our heavenly Father, guide the nations of the world into the way of justice and truth, and establish among them that peace which is the fruit of righteousness, that they may become the kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen.*

* PRAYERS FOR COURTS OF JUSTICE

Almighty God, who sits in the throne judging right: We humbly request you to bless the courts of justice and the judges in all this land; and give unto them the spirit of wisdom and understanding, that they may discern the truth, and impartially administer the law in the fear

of you alone; through him who shall come to be our Judge, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. 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, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you

promise, make us love what you command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and 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;

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and in all we do direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose, 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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