Monday, November 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.

* 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 <u>by</u> your work; at the works of your hands I <u>sing</u> 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:

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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 80 NRSV

Restore us, LORD God of heavenly forces! Make your face shine so that we can be saved!

Shepherd of Israel, listen!

You, the one who leads Joseph as if he were a sheep.

You, who are enthroned upon the winged heavenly creatures.

Show yourself ² before Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh! Wake up your power!

Come to save us!

³ Restore us, God!

Make your face shine so that we can be saved!

⁴LORD God of heavenly forces, how long will you fume against your people's prayer?

⁵ You've fed them bread made of tears; you've given them tears to drink three times over!

⁶ You've put us at odds with our neighbors; our enemies make fun of us.

⁷ Restore us, God of heavenly forces!Make your face shine so that we can be saved!

8 You brought a vine out of Egypt.You drove out the nations and planted it.

⁹ You cleared the ground for it; then it planted its roots deep, filling the land.

- ¹⁰ The mountains were covered by its shade; the mighty cedars were covered by its branches.
- ¹¹ It sent its branches all the way to the sea; its shoots went all the way to the Euphrates River.
- ¹² So why have you now torn down its walls so that all who come along can pluck its fruit,
- so that any boar from the forest can tear it up, so that the bugs can feed on it?
- ¹⁴ Please come back, God of heavenly forces! Look down from heaven and perceive it! Attend to this vine,
- this root that you planted with your strong hand, this son whom you secured as your very own.
- ¹⁶ It is burned with fire. It is chopped down.
 They die at the rebuke coming from you.
- ¹⁷ Let your hand be with the one on your right side—with the one whom you secured as your own—
- then we will not turn away from you!

 Revive us so that we can call on your name.
- Restore us, LORD God of heavenly forces!
 Make your face shine so that we can be saved!
- Glory to you, O Trinity, most <u>holy</u> and *blessed*, one God, now and for-ever, A-*men*.

Restore us, LORD God of heavenly forces! Make your face shine so that we can be saved!

* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

* 1ST READING: Revelation 18:15-24 NRSV

¹⁵The merchants of these wares, who gained wealth from her, will stand far off, in fear of her torment, weeping and mourning aloud,

'Alas, alas, the great city,
 clothed in fine linen,
 in purple and scarlet,
 adorned with gold,
 with jewels, and with pearls!

¹⁷ For in one hour all this wealth has been laid waste!'

And all shipmasters and seafarers, sailors and all whose trade is on the sea, stood far off ¹⁸and cried out as they saw the smoke of her burning,

'What city was like the great city?'

¹⁹And they threw dust on their heads, as they wept and mourned, crying out,

'Alas, alas, the great city,
where all who had ships at sea
grew rich by her wealth!
For in one hour she has been laid waste.'

20 Rejoice over her, O heaven, you saints and apostles and prophets! For God has given judgement for you against her.

21 Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying,

'With such violence Babylon the great city will be thrown down, and will be found no more;

²² and the sound of harpists and minstrels and of flautists and trumpeters

will be heard in you no more;

and an artisan of any trade

will be found in you no more;

and the sound of the millstone

will be heard in you no more;

²³ and the light of a lamp

will shine in you no more;

and the voice of bridegroom and bride

will be heard in you no more;

for your merchants were the magnates of the earth, and all nations were deceived by your sorcery.

²⁴ And in you was found the blood of prophets and of saints, and of all who have been slaughtered on earth.'

Holy wisdom, holy word.

Thanks be to God!

* SILENCE FOR REFLECTION

* GOSPEL READING: Luke 14:12-24 NRSV

12 He said also to the one who had invited him, 'When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous.'

15 One of the dinner guests, on hearing this, said to him, 'Blessed is anyone who will eat bread in the kingdom of God!' ¹⁶Then Jesus said to him, 'Someone gave a great dinner and invited many. ¹⁷At the time for the dinner he sent his slave to say to those who had been invited, "Come; for everything is ready now." ¹⁸But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, "I have bought a piece of land,

and I must go out and see it; please accept my apologies."

¹⁹Another said, "I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to try them out; please accept my apologies."

²⁰Another said, "I have just been married, and therefore I cannot come." ²¹So the slave returned and reported this to his master. Then the owner of the house became angry and said to his slave, "Go out at once into the streets and lanes of the town and bring in the poor, the crippled, the blind, and the lame." ²²And the slave said, "Sir, what you ordered has been done, and there is still room." ²³Then the master said to the slave, "Go out into the roads and lanes, and compel people to come in, so that my house may be filled. ²⁴For I tell you, none of those who were invited will taste my dinner.""

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 your 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 <u>from</u> 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, <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-<u>ever</u>, 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

* 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.*

* 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, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he 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;
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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