

# Morning Prayer Rite II

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#### Welcome

## Preparation

O Lord, open our lips

and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

In your resurrection, O Christ,

let heaven and earth rejoice. Alleluia.

Blessed are you, Lord God of our salvation, to you be praise and glory for ever. As once you ransomed your people from Egypt and led them to freedom in the promised land, so now you have delivered us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of your risen Son. May we, the first fruits of your new creation, rejoice in this new day you have made, and praise you for your mighty acts. Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

#### Blessed be God for ever.

#### Easter Anthem

- 1 Christ our passover has been sacrificed for us: so let us celebrate the feast,
- 2 not with the old leaven of corruption and wickedness: but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.
- 3 Christ once raised from the dead dies no more: death has no more dominion over him.
- 4 In dying he died to sin once for all: ◆ in living he lives to God.
- 5 See yourselves therefore as dead to sin: and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord.
- 6 Christ has been raised from the dead: the first fruits of those who sleep.
- 7 For as by man came death: by man has come also the resurrection of the dead;
- for as in Adam all die: even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

# Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

The night has passed, and the day lies open before us; let us pray with one heart and mind.

#### Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence, O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever. *Amen*.

# The Word of God

#### Psalm 66

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; \* make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, \* and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; \* you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; \* you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads; we went through fire and water; \* but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings and will pay you my vows, \* which I promised with my lips and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts with the smoke of rams; \*
  I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, \* and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth, \* and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, \*
  the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; \*
  he has attended to the voice of my prayer.

18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, \* nor withheld his love from me.

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning is now and shall be for ever. Amen.

In your unfailing love, O Lord, you lead the people whom you have redeemed. Alleluia.

## **Canticle A Song of New Creation**

I will make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.

- 1 'I am the Lord, your Holy One, ♦ the Creator of Israel, your King.'
- 2 Thus says the Lord, who makes a way in the sea, ♦ a path in the mighty waters,
- 3 'Remember not the former things, ♦ nor consider the things of old.
- 4 'Behold, I am doing a new thing; ♦ now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
- 5 'I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert, ♦ to give drink to my chosen people,
- 6 'The people whom I formed for myself, ♦ that they might declare my praise.'

Isaiah 43.15,16,18,19,20c,21

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#### A reading from the Book of Acts

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, "Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, 'To an unknown god.' What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For 'In him we live and move and have our being'; as even some of your own poets have said, 'For we too are his offspring.' Since we are God's offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of

human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead."

## Response

Death is swallowed up in victory.

**All** Where, O death, is your sting?

Christ is risen from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

**All** Death is swallowed up in victory.

The trumpet will sound and the dead shall be raised.

All Where, O death, is your sting?

We shall not all sleep, but we shall be changed.

All Death is swallowed up in victory. Where, O death, is your sting?

### A reading from First Peter

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

#### Benedictus

The Lord is risen from the tomb who for our sakes hung upon the tree. Alleluia.

- Blessed be the Lord the God of Israel, ◆ who has come to his people and set them free.
- 2 He has raised up for us a mighty Saviour, born of the house of his servant David.
- 3 Through his holy prophets God promised of old ◆ to save us from our enemies, from the hands of all that hate us,
- 4 To show mercy to our ancestors, ◆ and to remember his holy covenant.
- 5 This was the oath God swore to our father Abraham: to set us free from the hands of our enemies.
- 6 Free to worship him without fear, ◆
  holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life.
- 7 And you, child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, ◆ for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way,
- 8 To give his people knowledge of salvation by the forgiveness of all their sins.
- 9 In the tender compassion of our God ◆ the dawn from on high shall break upon us,
- 10 To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, ◆ and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1.68-79

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## A reading from John

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

## Homily

Meditation "Praise the Spirit"

Vocalists: Grant Holsinger and Jennifer Smith

Flute: Jennifer Smith Piano: Trish Rooney

Words Michael Hewlitt

Music David Hurd

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe 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; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

# **The Prayers**

In this day that the Lord has made, let us pray for the people he has redeemed.

That we may live as those who believe in the triumph of the cross:

All Lord, graciously hear us.

That all people may receive the good news of his victory:

All Lord, graciously hear us.

That those born to new life in the waters of baptism may know the power of his resurrection:

All Lord, graciously hear us.

That those who suffer pain and anguish may find healing and peace in the wounds of Christ: especially Amber, Delbert, Erick, Jayson, Jessica, Jenifer, Jody, Jordan, Linnea, Lisa, Micky, Molly, Nancy, Nic, Peg, Rob, Eli, Jim, Wil and Trisha

All Lord, graciously hear us.

That in the undying love of Christ we may be united with all who have died in the faith of Christ:

All Lord, graciously hear us.

Let us commend the world, in which Christ rose from the dead, to the mercy and protection of God. For those who celebrate their birthdays Ginny, Stan, Julie, Dennis, Sean, Jody, Janet

#### The Collect of the Day

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, for all the benefits you have given me, for all the pains and insults you have borne for me. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, I ask you to come spiritually into my heart. O most merciful redeemer, friend and brother, may I know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day. Amen.

# A Prayer for all Those Affected by Coronavirus

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy. Sustain and support the anxious, be with those who care for the sick, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may find comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. Amen.

# The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence as our Saviour has taught us

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; thy kingdom come; thy will be done; on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever.
Amen.

#### The Conclusion

May the risen Christ grant us the joys of eternal life.

Amen.

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

Postlude Come Away to the Skies Arranger: Michael Larkin

Piano: Trish Rooney