

## Daily Evening Prayer:

### Rite One

*Thursday, June 10, 2021*

*The Feast of St. Ephrem of Edessa*

### The Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant* O God, make speed to save us.

*People* O Lord, make haste to help us.

*Officiant and People*

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

### **O Gracious Light** *Phos hilaron*

O gracious Light,  
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,  
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!

Now as we come to the setting of the sun,  
and our eyes behold the vesper light,  
we sing thy praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thou art worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,  
O Son of God, O Giver of life,  
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

### **Psalm 74** *Ut quid, Deus?*

- 1 O God, why have you utterly cast us off? \*  
why is your wrath so hot against the sheep of your pasture?
- 2 Remember your congregation that you purchased long ago, \*  
the tribe you redeemed to be your inheritance,  
and Mount Zion where you dwell.
- 3 Turn your steps toward the endless ruins; \*  
the enemy has laid waste everything in your sanctuary.
- 4 Your adversaries roared in your holy place; \*  
they set up their banners as tokens of victory.

- 5 They were like men coming up with axes to a grove of trees; \*  
they broke down all your carved work with hatchets  
and hammers.
- 6 They set fire to your holy place; \*  
they defiled the dwelling-place of your Name  
and razed it to the ground.
- 7 They said to themselves, "Let us destroy them altogether." \*  
They burned down all the meeting-places of God  
in the land.
- 8 There are no signs for us to see;  
there is no prophet left; \*  
there is not one among us who knows how long.
- 9 How long, O God, will the adversary scoff? \*  
will the enemy blaspheme your Name for ever?
- 10 Why do you draw back your hand? \*  
why is your right hand hidden in your bosom?
- 11 Yet God is my King from ancient times, \*  
victorious in the midst of the earth.
- 12 You divided the sea by your might \*  
and shattered the heads of the dragons upon the waters;
- 13 You crushed the heads of Leviathan \*  
and gave him to the people of the desert for food.
- 14 You split open spring and torrent; \*  
you dried up ever-flowing rivers.
- 15 Yours is the day, yours also the night; \*  
you established the moon and the sun.
- 16 You fixed all the boundaries of the earth; \*  
you made both summer and winter.

- 17 Remember, O LORD, how the enemy scoffed, \*  
how a foolish people despised your Name.
- 18 Do not hand over the life of your dove to wild beasts; \*  
never forget the lives of your poor.
- 19 Look upon your covenant; \*  
the dark places of the earth are haunts of violence.
- 20 Let not the oppressed turn away ashamed; \*  
let the poor and needy praise your Name.
- 21 Arise, O God, maintain your cause; \*  
remember how fools revile you all day long.
- 22 Forget not the clamor of your adversaries, \*  
the unending tumult of those who rise up against you.

*Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.*

## The Lessons

*Officiant*      A Reading from the Book of Ecclesiasticus  
*Chapter 44 verse 19 through Chapter 45 verse 5*

Abraham was the great father of a multitude of nations, and no one has been found like him in glory; he kept the law of the Most High, and was taken into covenant with him; he established the covenant in his flesh, and when he was tested he was found faithful. Therefore the Lord assured him by an oath that the nations would be blessed through his posterity; that he would multiply him like the dust of the earth, and exalt his posterity like the stars, and cause them to inherit from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth. To Isaac also he gave the same assurance for the sake of Abraham his father. The blessing of all men and the covenant he made to rest upon the head of Jacob; he acknowledged him with his blessings, and gave him his inheritance; he determined his portions, and distributed them among twelve tribes. From his descendants the Lord brought forth a man of mercy, who found favor in the sight of all flesh and was beloved by God and man, Moses, whose memory is blessed. He made him equal in glory to the holy ones, and made him great in the fears of his enemies. By his words he caused signs to cease; the Lord glorified him in the presence of kings. He gave him commands for his people, and showed him part of his glory. He sanctified him through faithfulness and meekness; he

chose him out of all mankind. He made him hear his voice, and led him into the thick darkness, and gave him the commandments face to face, the law of life and knowledge, to teach Jacob the covenant, and Israel his judgments.

*Officiant*        The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

**The Song of Mary**    *Magnificat*

*Luke 1:46-55*

My soul doth magnify the Lord, \*  
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior.  
For he hath regarded \*  
the lowliness of his handmaiden.  
For behold from henceforth \*  
all generations shall call me blessed.  
For he that is mighty hath magnified me, \*  
and holy is his Name.  
And his mercy is on them that fear him \*  
throughout all generations.  
He hath showed strength with his arm; \*  
he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.  
He hath put down the mighty from their seat, \*  
and hath exalted the humble and meek.  
He hath filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he hath sent empty away.  
He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, \*  
as he promised to our forefathers,  
Abraham and his seed for ever.  
  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

*Officiant*        A Reading from the Gospel of Luke  
*Chapter 19 verses 28 through 40*

When he drew near to Beth'phage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, "Go into the village opposite, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat; untie it and bring it here. If any one asks you, 'Why are you untying it?' you shall say this, 'The Lord has need of it.'" So those who were sent went away and found it as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, "Why are you untying the colt?" And they said, "The Lord has need of it." And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their garments on the colt they set Jesus upon it. And as he rode along, they spread their garments on the road. As he was now

drawing near, at the descent of the Mount of Olives, the whole multitude of the disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, "Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!" And some of the Pharisees in the multitude said to him, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples." He answered, "I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out."

*Officiant*        The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            Thanks be to God.

**The Song of Simeon**    *Nunc dimittis*  
*Luke 2:29-32*

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, \*  
    according to thy word;  
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, \*  
    which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,  
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, \*  
    and to be the glory of thy people Israel.  
  
Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \*  
    as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

**The Apostles' 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 Ghost,  
    born of the Virgin Mary,  
    suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
    was crucified, dead, and buried.  
    He descended into hell.  
  
    The third day he rose again from the dead.  
    He ascended into heaven,  
    and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.  
    From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Ghost,  
    the holy catholic Church,  
    the communion of saints,  
    the forgiveness of sins,  
    the resurrection of the body,  
    and the life everlasting. Amen.

## The Prayers

*Officiant*      The Lord be with you.

*People*          And with thy spirit.

*Officiant*      Let us pray.

### *Officiant and People*

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, and the power, and the glory,  
    for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Suffrages B**

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

That thy holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

That there may be peace to thy Church and to the whole world,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

That we may depart this life in thy faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

That we may be bound together by thy Holy Spirit in the communion of [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all thy saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,  
*We entreat thee, O Lord.*

*The Officiant then says one or more Collects*

Collect of the Day

Pour out upon us, O Lord, that same Spirit by which thy deacon Ephrem rejoiced to proclaim in sacred song the mysteries of faith; and so gladden our hearts that we, like him, may be devoted to thee alone; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for the Presence of Christ on p. 70

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know thee as thou art revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of thy love. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission on p. 70

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship thee, all nations obey thee, all tongues confess and bless thee, and men and women everywhere love thee and serve thee in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*The Officiant then bids personal prayers. After a moment of silence:*

*Officiant* Lord in thy mercy  
*All* Hear our prayer.

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.  
*All* Thanks be to God.

*Officiant* Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen.*