

Daily Evening Prayer:  
Rite One

*Tuesday, February 16, 2021*

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 36** *Dixit injustus*

- 1 There is a voice of rebellion deep in the heart of the wicked; \*  
there is no fear of God before his eyes.
- 2 He flatters himself in his own eyes \*  
that his hateful sin will not be found out.
- 3 The words of his mouth are wicked and deceitful; \*  
he has left off acting wisely and doing good.
- 4 He thinks up wickedness upon his bed  
and has set himself in no good way; \*  
he does not abhor that which is evil.
- 5 Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, \*  
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

- 6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,  
your justice like the great deep; \*  
you save both man and beast, O LORD.
- 7 How priceless is your love, O God! \*  
your people take refuge under the  
shadow of your wings.
- 8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; \*  
you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- 9 For with you is the well of life, \*  
and in your light we see light.
- 10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, \*  
and your favor to those who are true of heart.
- 11 Let not the foot of the proud come near me, \*  
nor the hand of the wicked push me aside.
- 12 See how they are fallen, those who work wickedness! \*  
they are cast down and shall not be able to rise.

**Psalm 39**     *Dixi, Custodiam*

- 1 I said, "I will keep watch upon my ways, \*  
so that I do not offend with my tongue.
- 2 I will put a muzzle on my mouth \*  
while the wicked are in my presence."
- 3 So I held my tongue and said nothing; \*  
I refrained from rash words;  
but my pain became unbearable.
- 4 My heart was hot within me;  
while I pondered, the fire burst into flame; \*  
I spoke out with my tongue:
- 5 LORD, let me know my end and the number of my days, \*  
so that I may know how short my life is.

6 You have given me a mere handful of days,  
and my lifetime is as nothing in your sight; \*  
truly, even those who stand erect are but a puff of wind.

7 We walk about like a shadow,  
and in vain we are in turmoil; \*  
we heap up riches and cannot tell who will gather them.

8 And now, what is my hope? \*  
O Lord, my hope is in you.

9 Deliver me from all my transgressions \*  
and do not make me the taunt of the fool.

10 I fell silent and did not open my mouth, \*  
for surely it was you that did it.

11 Take your affliction from me; \*  
I am worn down by the blows of your hand.

12 With rebukes for sin you punish us;  
like a moth you eat away all that is dear to us; \*  
truly, everyone is but a puff of wind.

13 Hear my prayer, O LORD,  
and give ear to my cry; \*  
hold not your peace at my tears.

14 For I am but a sojourner with you, \*  
a wayfarer, as all my forebears were.

15 Turn your gaze from me, that I may be glad again, \*  
before I go my way and am no more.

*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 Deuteronomy  
*Chapter 6 verses 16 through 25*

“You shall not put the LORD your God to the test, as you tested him at Massah. You shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies, and his statutes, which he has commanded you. And you shall do what is right and good in the sight of the LORD, that it may go well with you, and that you may go in and take possession of the good land which the LORD swore to give to your fathers by thrusting out all your enemies from before you, as the LORD has promised. “When your son asks you in time to come, ‘What is the meaning of the testimonies and the statutes and the ordinances which the LORD our God has commanded you?’ then you shall say to your son, ‘We were Pharaoh’s slaves in Egypt; and the LORD brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand; and the LORD showed signs and wonders, great and grievous, against Egypt and against Pharaoh and all his household, before our eyes; and he brought us out from there, that he might bring us in and give us the land which he swore to give to our fathers. And the LORD commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as at this day. And it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to do all this commandment before the LORD our God, as he has commanded us.’

*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 John  
                          *Chapter 1 verses 19 through 28*

And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed, he did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." And they asked him, "What then? Are you Eli'jah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" And he answered, "No." They said to him then, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" He said, "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said." Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, "Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Eli'jah, nor the prophet?" John answered them, "I baptize with water; but among you stands one whom you do not know, even he who comes after me, the thong of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." This took place in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

*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

O God, who before the passion of thy only-begotten Son  
didst reveal his glory upon the holy mount: Grant unto us  
that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may  
be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his  
likeness from glory to glory; through the same Jesus Christ  
our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy  
Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Aid Against Perils on p. 70

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy  
great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this  
night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.  
*Amen.*

A Collect for Mission on p. 71

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or  
weep this night, and give thine angels charge over those who  
sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless  
the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the  
joyous; and all for thy love's sake. *Amen.*

A Collect for the Unity of the Human Family

O God, thou hast made us in thine own image and redeemed us  
through thy Son Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace: Give us grace  
seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy  
and unjust divisions; look with compassion on the whole human  
family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts;  
break down the walls that separate us; and work through our struggles

and confusion to accomplish thy purposes on earth; that we may be united in one holy bond of truth, and justice, peace, and love; 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.*