

Morning Prayer Saturday in the Fourth Week of Easter, May 9, 2020

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

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.

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

Christ Our Passover *Pascha Nostrum*

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; *

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with old leaven,

neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness, *

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; *

death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once; *

but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, *

but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ is risen from the dead, *

and become the first fruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death, *

by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, *

even so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

Psalm 55 *Exaudi, Deus*

1 Hear my prayer, O God; *

do not hide yourself from my petition.

2 Listen to me and answer me; *

I have no peace, because of my cares.

3 I am shaken by the noise of the enemy *

and by the pressure of the wicked;

- 4 For they have cast an evil spell upon me *
and are set against me in fury.
- 5 My heart quakes within me, *
and the terrors of death have fallen upon me.
- 6 Fear and trembling have come over me, *
and horror overwhelms me.
- 7 And I said, "Oh, that I had wings like a dove! *
I would fly away and be at rest.
- 8 I would flee to a far-off place *
and make my lodging in the wilderness.
- 9 I would hasten to escape *
from the stormy wind and tempest."
- 10 Swallow them up, O Lord;
confound their speech; *
for I have seen violence and strife in the city.
- 11 Day and night the watchmen make their rounds
upon her walls, *
but trouble and misery are in the midst of her.
- 12 There is corruption at her heart; *
her streets are never free of oppression and deceit.
- 13 For had it been an adversary who taunted me,
then I could have borne it; *
or had it been an enemy who vaunted himself against me,
then I could have hidden from him.
- 14 But it was you, a man after my own heart, *
my companion, my own familiar friend.
- 15 We took sweet counsel together, *
and walked with the throng in the house of God.

16 Let death come upon them suddenly;
let them go down alive to the grave; *
for wickedness is in their dwellings, in their very midst.

17 But I will call upon God, *
and the LORD will deliver me.

18 In the evening, in the morning, and at noonday,
I will complain and lament, *
and he will hear my voice.

19 He will bring me safely back from the battle
waged against me; *
for there are many who fight me.

20 God, who is enthroned of old, will hear me and
bring them down; *
they never change; they do not fear God.

21 My companion stretched forth his hand against his comrade; *
he has broken his covenant.

22 His speech is softer than butter, *
but war is in his heart.

23 His words are smoother than oil, *
but they are drawn swords.

24 Cast your burden upon the LORD,
and he will sustain you; *
he will never let the righteous stumble.

25 For you will bring the bloodthirsty and deceitful *
down to the pit of destruction, O God.

26 They shall not live out half their days, *
but I will put my trust in 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.

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians. Chapter 4 verses 1 – 12.

Finally, brethren, we beseech and exhort you in the Lord Jesus, that as you learned from us how you ought to live and to please God, just as you are doing, you do so more and more. ² For you know what instructions we gave you through the Lord Jesus. ³ For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from unchastity; ⁴ that each one of you know how to take a wife for himself in holiness and honor, ⁵ not in the passion of lust like heathen who do not know God; ⁶ that no man transgress, and wrong his brother in this matter, because the Lord is an avenger in all these things, as we solemnly forewarned you. ⁷ For God has not called us for uncleanness, but in holiness. ⁸ Therefore whoever disregards this, disregards not man but God, who gives his Holy Spirit to you.

⁹ But concerning love of the brethren you have no need to have any one write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love one another; ¹⁰ and indeed you do love all the brethren throughout Macedo'nia. But we exhort you, brethren, to do so more and more, ¹¹ to aspire to live quietly, to mind your own affairs, and to work with your hands, as we charged you; ¹² so that you may command the respect of outsiders, and be dependent on nobody.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

19 The Song of the Redeemed *Magna et mirabilia*

Revelation 15:3.4

O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
great deeds are they that you have done, *
surpassing human understanding.
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, *
O King of all the ages.

Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,
and sing the praises of your Name? *
for you only are the Holy One.
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, *
because your just and holy works have been revealed.

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.

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 A

V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
R. And grant us thy salvation.
V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
R. And make thy chosen people joyful.
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. For only in thee can we live in safety.
V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
V. Let thy way be known upon earth;
R. Thy saving health among all nations.
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.

The Officiant then says one or more Collects

Collect of the Day

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people;
Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who
calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead;
who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one
God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Saturdays on p. 56

Almighty God, who after the creation of the world didst rest
from all thy works and sanctify a day of rest for all thy
creatures: Grant that we, putting away all earthly anxieties,
may be duly prepared for the service of thy sanctuary, and
that our rest here upon earth may be a preparation for the
eternal rest promised to thy people in heaven; through Jesus
Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Collect for Mission on p. 58

O God, who hast made of one blood all the peoples of the
earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to those
who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people
everywhere may seek after thee and find thee; bring the
nations into thy fold; pour out thy Spirit upon all flesh; and
hasten the coming of thy kingdom; through the same thy
Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Parish Prayer list.

I bid your personal prayers here.... [silence for a time].

Lord in thy mercy, hear our prayer.

The General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all men.
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee

in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

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.*