

## Daily Evening Prayer:

### Rite One

*Friday in the Second Week of Advent*

*December 11, 2020*

#### 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 35** *Judica, Domine*

1 Fight those who fight me, O LORD; \*  
attack those who are attacking me.

2 Take up shield and armor \*  
and rise up to help me.

3 Draw the sword and bar the way against those  
who pursue me; \*  
say to my soul, "I am your salvation."

4 Let those who seek after my life be shamed and humbled; \*  
let those who plot my ruin fall back and be dismayed.

- 5 Let them be like chaff before the wind, \*  
and let the angel of the LORD drive them away.
- 6 Let their way be dark and slippery, \*  
and let the angel of the LORD pursue them.
- 7 For they have secretly spread a net for me without a cause; \*  
without a cause they have dug a pit to take me alive.
- 8 Let ruin come upon them unawares; \*  
let them be caught in the net they hid;  
let them fall into the pit they dug.
- 9 Then I will be joyful in the LORD; \*  
I will glory in his victory.
- 10 My very bones will say, "LORD, who is like you? \*  
You deliver the poor from those who are too strong for them,  
the poor and needy from those who rob them."
- 11 Malicious witnesses rise up against me; \*  
they charge me with matters I know nothing about.
- 12 They pay me evil in exchange for good; \*  
my soul is full of despair.
- 13 But when they were sick I dressed in sack-cloth \*  
and humbled myself by fasting.
- 14 I prayed with my whole heart,  
as one would for a friend or a brother; \*  
I behaved like one who mourns for his mother,  
bowed down and grieving.
- 15 But when I stumbled, they were glad and gathered together;  
they gathered against me; \*  
strangers whom I did not know tore me to pieces and  
would not stop.
- 16 They put me to the test and mocked me; \*  
they gnashed at me with their teeth.

- 17 O Lord, how long will you look on? \*  
rescue me from the roaring beasts,  
and my life from the young lions.
- 18 I will give you thanks in the great congregation; \*  
I will praise you in the mighty throng.
- 19 Do not let my treacherous foes rejoice over me, \*  
nor let those who hate me without a cause  
wink at each other.
- 20 For they do not plan for peace, \*  
but invent deceitful schemes against the  
quiet in the land.
- 21 They opened their mouths at me and said, \*  
"Aha! we saw it with our own eyes."
- 22 You saw it, O LORD; do not be silent; \*  
O Lord, be not far from me.
- 23 Awake, arise, to my cause! \*  
to my defense, my God and my Lord!
- 24 Give me justice, O LORD my God,  
according to your righteousness; \*  
do not let them triumph over me.
- 25 Do not let them say in their hearts,  
"Aha! just what we want!" \*  
Do not let them say, "We have swallowed him up."
- 26 Let all who rejoice at my ruin be ashamed and disgraced; \*  
let those who boast against me be clothed with  
dismay and shame.
- 27 Let those who favor my cause sing out with joy and be glad; \*  
let them say always, "Great is the LORD,  
who desires the prosperity of his servant."

28 And my tongue shall be talking of your righteousness \*  
and of your praise all the day long.

*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 Isaiah  
                            *Chapter 7 verses 10 through 25*

<sup>10</sup> Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz, <sup>11</sup>“Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven.” <sup>12</sup> But Ahaz said, “I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test.” <sup>13</sup> And he said, “Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? <sup>14</sup> Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, a young woman shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Imman’u-el. <sup>15</sup> He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good. <sup>16</sup> For before the child knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good, the land before whose two kings you are in dread will be deserted. <sup>17</sup> The LORD will bring upon you and upon your people and upon your father’s house such days as have not come since the day that E’phraim departed from Judah—the king of Assyria.” <sup>18</sup> In that day the LORD will whistle for the fly which is at the sources of the streams of Egypt, and for the bee which is in the land of Assyria. <sup>19</sup> And they will all come and settle in the steep ravines, and in the clefts of the rocks, and on all the thornbushes, and on all the pastures. <sup>20</sup> In that day the Lord will shave with a razor which is hired beyond the River—with the king of Assyria—the head and the hair of the feet, and it will sweep away the beard also. <sup>21</sup> In that day a man will keep alive a young cow and two sheep; <sup>22</sup> and because of the abundance of milk which they give, he will eat curds; for every one that is left in the land will eat curds and honey. <sup>23</sup> In that day every place where there used to be a thousand vines, worth a thousand shekels of silver, will become briers and thorns. <sup>24</sup> With bow and arrows men will come there, for all the land will be briers and thorns; <sup>25</sup> and as for all the hills which used to be hoed with a hoe, you will not come there for fear of briers and thorns; but they will become a place where cattle are let loose and where sheep tread.

*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 22 verses 14 through 20*

<sup>14</sup> And when the hour came, he sat at table, and the apostles with him. <sup>15</sup> And he said to them, "I have earnestly desired to eat this passover with you before I suffer; <sup>16</sup> for I tell you I shall not eat it until it is fulfilled in the kingdom of God." <sup>17</sup> And he took a cup, and when he had given thanks he said, "Take this, and divide it among yourselves; <sup>18</sup> for I tell you that from now on I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes." <sup>19</sup> And he took bread, and when he had given thanks he broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." <sup>20</sup> And likewise the cup after supper, saying, "This cup which is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood." <sup>21</sup> But behold the hand of him who betrays me is with me on the table. <sup>22</sup> For the Son of man goes as it has been determined; but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed!" <sup>23</sup> And they began to question one another, which of them it was that would do this. <sup>24</sup> A dispute also arose among them, which of them was to be regarded as the greatest. <sup>25</sup> And he said to them, "The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors. <sup>26</sup> But not so with you; rather let the greatest among you become as the youngest, and the leader as one who serves. <sup>27</sup> For which is the greater, one who sits at table, or one who serves? Is it not the one who sits at table? But I am among you as one who serves. <sup>28</sup> "You are those who have continued with me in my trials; <sup>29</sup> and I assign to you, as my Father assigned to me,

a kingdom, <sup>30</sup> that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom, and sit on thrones judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

*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

Merciful God, who sent thy messengers the prophets to preach repentance and prepare the way for our salvation: Give us grace to heed their warnings and forsake our sins, that we may greet with joy the coming of Jesus Christ our Redeemer; 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.*

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*