

# Morning Prayer May 17th 2020

*Officiant and People*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

*The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

## **Confession of Sin**

*The Officiant says to the people*

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us be in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Silence is kept.*

*Officiant and People together*

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Officiant*

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

## The Invitatory and Psalter

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.  
*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your 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.

**Christ our Passover** *Pascha nostrum 1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22*

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Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*  
therefore let us keep the feast,  
Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \*  
but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \*  
death no longer has dominion over him.  
The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \*  
but the life he lives, he lives to God.  
So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \*  
and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ has been raised from the dead, \*  
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.  
For since by a man came death, \*  
by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead.  
For as in Adam all die, \*  
so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

## The Psalm Appointed

Psalm 66:7-18 *Jubilate Deo*

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- 7 O God, when you went forth before your people, \*  
when you marched through the wilderness,
- 8 The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,  
at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, \*  
at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

- 9 You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance; \*  
you refreshed the land when it was weary.
- 10 Your people found their home in it; \*  
in your goodness, O God, you have made provision  
for the poor.
- 11 The Lord gave the word; \*  
great was the company of women who bore the tidings:
- 12 “Kings with their armies are fleeing away; \*  
the women at home are dividing the spoils.”
- 13 Though you lingered among the sheepfolds, \*  
you shall be like a dove whose wings are covered with silver,  
whose feathers are like green gold.
- 14 When the Almighty scattered kings, \*  
it was like snow falling in Zalmon.
- 15 O mighty mountain, O hill of Bashan! \*  
O rugged mountain, O hill of Bashan!
- 16 Why do you look with envy, O rugged mountain,  
at the hill which God chose for his resting place? \*  
truly, the Lord will dwell there for ever.
- 17 The chariots of God are twenty thousand,  
even thousands of thousands; \*  
the Lord comes in holiness from Sinai.
- 18 You have gone up on high and led captivity captive;  
you have received gifts even from your enemies, \*  
that the Lord God might dwell among them.

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

**A reading from Acts. 17:22-31**

*Answer*                    The word of the Lord.  
                                  Thanks be to God.

**Canticle G** A Song of Ezekiel *Ezekiel 36:24-28*

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I will take you from among all nations; \*  
and gather you from all lands to bring you home.  
I will sprinkle clean water upon you; \*  
and purify you from false gods and uncleanness.  
A new heart I will give you \*  
and a new spirit put within you.  
I will take the stone heart from your chest \*  
and give you a heart of flesh.  
I will help you walk in my laws \*  
and cherish my commandments and do them.  
You shall be my people, \*  
and I will be your God.

**A Reading from 1<sup>st</sup> Peter.** *3:13-22*

*Answer*                   The word of the Lord.  
                                  Thanks be to God.

**Canticle S** A Song of True Nature *Julian of Norwich*

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Christ revealed our frailty and our falling, \*  
our trespasses and our humiliations.  
Christ also revealed his blessed power, \*  
his blessed wisdom and love.  
He protects us as tenderly and as sweetly when we are in greatest need; \*  
he raises us in spirit  
and turns everything to glory and joy without ending.  
God is the ground and the substance, the very essence of nature; \*  
God is the true father and mother of natures.  
We are all bound to God by nature, \*  
and we are all bound to God by grace.  
And this grace is for all the world, \*  
because it is our precious mother, Christ.  
For this fair nature was prepared by Christ  
for the honor and nobility of all, \*  
and for the joy and bliss of salvation.

## A Reading from the Gospel of John. 14:15-21

*Answer*            The Word of the Lord.  
                          Thanks be to God.

## Sermon

### The Apostles' Creed

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I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
    creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
    He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
    and born of the Virgin Mary.  
    He 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,  
    and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
    He will come again 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

*Officiant*        The Lord be with you.  
*People*            And also with you.  
*Officiant*        Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

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| Our Father, who art in heaven,<br>hallowed be thy Name,<br>thy kingdom come,<br>thy will be done,<br>on earth as it is in heaven.<br>Give us this day our daily bread. | Our Father in heaven,<br>hallowed be your Name,<br>your kingdom come,<br>your will be done,<br>on earth as in heaven.<br>Give us today our daily bread. |
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| And forgive us our trespasses,<br>as we forgive those<br>who trespass against us.      | Forgive us our sins<br>as we forgive those<br>who sin against us.                  |
| And lead us not into temptation,<br>but deliver us from evil.                          | Save us from the time of trial,<br>and deliver us from evil.                       |
| For thine is the kingdom,<br>and the power, and the glory,<br>for ever and ever. Amen. | For the kingdom, the power,<br>and the glory are yours,<br>now and for ever. Amen. |

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. And grant us your salvation.  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. Let your people sing with joy.  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
R. For only in you can we live in safety.  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
R. Your 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 your Holy Spirit.

*Officiant*

*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 Collect for Sundays*

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

*A Collect for Mission*

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

*Prayers, and thanksgivings may now be offered.*

*Officiant*

O God, in our global distress we pray earnestly to you.

God our Sanctuary,  
gather us when separated into your presence.

God our Physician,  
heal those who have contracted the virus.

God our Comforter,  
embrace all who mourn the dead.

God our Homeland,  
mother all who are quarantined.

God our Friend,  
accompany all who are alone or afraid.

God our Guardian,  
protect physicians and nurses.

God our Hope,  
assist researchers searching for a vaccine.

God our Mighty Fortress,  
preserve our societies from devastation.

God our Governor,  
guide the leaders of nations toward wise policies.

God of Everlasting Arms,  
in you we live and move and have our being.

God our Creator,  
make once again a world of sabbath rest.

God our Savior,  
redeem the suffering world by your cross.

God our Light,  
shine your radiant peace into our darkness.

O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit,  
bless and preserve us. Amen.

*The General Thanksgiving*

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Almighty God, Father of all mercies,  
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks  
for all your goodness and loving-kindness  
to us and to all whom you have made.  
We bless you for our creation, preservation,  
and all the blessings of this life;  
but above all for your immeasurable 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 pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,  
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,  
not only with our lips, but in our lives,  
by giving up our selves to your service,  
and by walking before you  
in holiness and righteousness all our days;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,  
be honor and glory throughout all ages. *Amen.*

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

*Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.*

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. Ephesians 3:20,21*