

# Morning Prayer Rite II October 25th 2020 The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost Proper 25

*Officiant*

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me,  
and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

*Psalm 43:3*

## **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.

**Venite** *Psalm 95:1-7*

*Officiant and People*

The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*  
 let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
 and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, \*  
 and a great King above all gods.  
 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
 and the heights of the hills are his also.  
 The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
 and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
 and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
 For he is our God,  
 and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.\*  
 Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The earth is the Lord's for he made it: Come let us adore him.

### The Psalm Appointed

Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17 *Domine, refugium*

*Officiant and People*

- 1 Lord, you have been our refuge \*  
 from one generation to another.
- 2 Before the mountains were brought forth,  
 or the land and the earth were born, \*  
 from age to age you are God.

- 3 You turn us back to the dust and say, \*  
 “Go back, O child of earth.”
- 4 For a thousand years in your sight are like yesterday  
 when it is past \*  
 and like a watch in the night.
- 5 You sweep us away like a dream; \*  
 we fade away suddenly like the grass.
- 6 In the morning it is green and flourishes; \*  
 in the evening it is dried up and withered.
- 13 Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? \*  
 be gracious to your servants.
- 14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; \*  
 so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.
- 15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us \*  
 and the years in which we suffered adversity.
- 16 Show your servants your works \*  
 and your splendor to their children.
- 17 May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; \*  
 prosper the work of our hands;  
 prosper our handiwork.

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 Deuteronomy 34:1-12**

Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho, and the Lord showed him the whole land: Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Western Sea, the Negeb, and the Plain—that is, the valley of Jericho, the city of palm trees—as far as Zoar. The Lord said to him, “This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, saying, ‘I will give it to your descendants’; I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not cross over there.” Then Moses, the servant of the Lord, died there in the land of Moab, at the Lord’s command. He was buried in a valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor, but no one knows his burial place to this day. Moses was one hundred twenty years old when he died; his sight was unimpaired and his vigor had not abated. The Israelites wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days; then the period of mourning for Moses was ended.

Joshua son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, because Moses had laid his hands on him; and the Israelites obeyed him, doing as the Lord had commanded Moses.

Never since has there arisen a prophet in Israel like Moses, whom the Lord knew face to face. He was unequalled for all the signs and wonders that the Lord sent him to perform in the land of Egypt, against Pharaoh and all his servants and his entire land, and for all the mighty deeds and all the terrifying displays of power that Moses performed in the sight of all Israel.

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

## **Canticle G       A Song of Ezekiel**

*Ezekiel 36:24-28*

*Officiant and People*

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 Thessalonians 2:1-8**

You yourselves know, brothers and sisters, that our coming to you was not in vain, but though we had already suffered and been shamefully mistreated at Philippi, as you know, we had courage in our God to declare to you the gospel of God in spite of great opposition. For our appeal does not spring from deceit or impure motives or trickery, but just as we have been approved by God to be entrusted with the message of the gospel, even so we speak, not to please mortals, but to please God who tests our hearts. As you know and as God is our witness, we never came with words of flattery or with a pretext for greed; nor did we seek praise from mortals, whether from you or from others, though we might have made demands as apostles of Christ. But we were gentle among you, like a nurse tenderly caring for her own children. So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the gospel of God but also our own selves, because you have become very dear to us.

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

## Canticle Q     A Song of Christ's Goodness

*Anselm of Canterbury*

*Officiant and People*

Jesus, as a mother you gather your people to you; \*  
 you are gentle with us as a mother with her children.  
 Often you weep over our sins and our pride, \*  
 tenderly you draw us from hatred and judgment.  
 You comfort us in sorrow and bind up our wounds, \*  
 in sickness you nurse us and with pure milk you feed us.  
 Jesus, by your dying, we are born to new life; \*  
 by your anguish and labor we come forth in joy.  
 Despair turns to hope through your sweet goodness; \*  
 through your gentleness, we find comfort in fear.  
 Your warmth gives life to the dead, \*  
 your touch makes sinners righteous.  
 Lord Jesus, in your mercy, heal us; \*  
 in your love and tenderness, remake us.  
 In your compassion, bring grace and forgiveness, \*  
 for the beauty of heaven, may your love prepare us.

### **A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew 22:34-46**

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees, they gathered together, and one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question to test him. "Teacher, which commandment in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the greatest and first commandment. And a second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets."

Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them this question: "What do you think of the Messiah? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David by the Spirit calls him Lord, saying,

"The Lord said to my Lord,  
 "Sit at my right hand,  
 until I put your enemies under your feet"?"

If David thus calls him Lord, how can he be his son?" No one was able to give him an answer, nor from that day did anyone dare to ask him any more questions.

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

## The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant and People*

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*

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.

Our Father in heaven,  
 hallowed be your Name,  
 your kingdom come,  
 your will be done,  
 on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.  
 Forgive us our sins  
 as we forgive those  
 who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial,  
 and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power,  
 and the glory are yours,  
 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*

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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.*

*A Collect for Social Justice*

Almighty God, who created us in your own image: Grant us grace fearlessly to contend against evil and to make no peace with oppression; and, that we may reverently use our freedom, help us to employ it in the maintenance of justice in our communities and among the nations, to the glory of your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *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*

*Officiant and People*

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.

*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. Ephesians 3:20,21*