

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

MORNING PRAYER – RITE II *(pg. 76 BCP)*

MONDAY, JANUARY 11, 2021

L: I will give you as a light to the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.

L: Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor.

P: 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 you 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.

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

L: Lord, open our lips

P: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise

All: Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen. Alleluia!

L: The earth is the Lord's for he made it:

P: Come let us adore him.

VENITE *(pg. 82 BCP)*

**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!**

L: The earth is the Lord's for he made it:

P: Come let us adore him.

PSALM 1 (pg. 585 BCP)

**1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**
**2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.**
**3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.**
**4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.**
**5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when
judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.**
**6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.**

All: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

ISAIAH 40:12-23

¹² Who has measured the waters in the hollow of his hand
and marked off the heavens with a span,
enclosed the dust of the earth in a measure,
and weighed the mountains in scales
and the hills in a balance?
¹³ Who has directed the spirit of the LORD,
or as his counsellor has instructed him?
¹⁴ Whom did he consult for his enlightenment,
and who taught him the path of justice?
Who taught him knowledge,
and showed him the way of understanding?
¹⁵ Even the nations are like a drop from a bucket,
and are accounted as dust on the scales;
see, he takes up the isles like fine dust.
¹⁶ Lebanon would not provide fuel enough,
nor are its animals enough for a burnt-offering.
¹⁷ All the nations are as nothing before him;
they are accounted by him as less than nothing and emptiness.
¹⁸ To whom then will you liken God,
or what likeness compare with him?
¹⁹ An idol? —A workman casts it,
and a goldsmith overlays it with gold,

and casts for it silver chains.
20 As a gift one chooses mulberry wood*
—wood that will not rot—
then seeks out a skilled artisan
to set up an image that will not topple.
21 Have you not known? Have you not heard?
Has it not been told you from the beginning?
Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth?
22 It is he who sits above the circle of the earth,
and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers;
who stretches out the heavens like a curtain,
and spreads them like a tent to live in;
23 who brings princes to naught,
and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing.

L: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 9 THE FIRST SONG OF ISAIAH *(pg. 86 BCP)*

**Surely, it is God who saves me; *
I will trust in him and not be afraid.
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *
and he will be my Savior.
Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *
from the springs of salvation.
And on that day you shall say, *
Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
Make his deeds known among the peoples; *
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *
and this is known in all the world.
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of 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 forever. Amen.**

THE APOSTLES' CREED *(pg. 96 BCP)*

All: 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 *(pg. 97 BCP)*

L: The Lord be with you

P: And also with you

L: Let us pray

All: 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** *(pg. 97 BCP)*

L: Show us your mercy, O Lord;

P: And grant us your salvation.

L: Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

P: Let your people sing with joy.

L: Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

P: For only in you can we live in safety.

L: Lord, keep this nation under your care;

P: And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

L: Let your way be known upon earth;

P: Your saving health among all nations.

L: Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

P: Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

L: Create in us clean hearts, O God;

P: And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

COLLECT OF THE DAY – FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY *(pg. 214 BCP)*

L: Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

P: Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE DEPARTED *(pg. 253 BCP)*

L: Eternal Lord God, you hold all souls in life: Give to your whole Church in paradise and on earth your light and your peace; and grant that we, following the good examples of those who have served you here and are now at rest, may at the last enter with them into your unending joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

P: Amen

COLLECT FOR PEACE *(pg. 258 BCP)*

L: Almighty God, kindle, we pray, in every heart the true love of peace, and guide with your wisdom those who take counsel for the nations of the earth, that in tranquility your dominion may increase until the earth is filled with the knowledge of your love; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

P: Amen.

COLLECT FOR THE SICK *(pg. 260 BCP)*

L: Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those (or N., or NN.) for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

P: Amen.

Please pause to offer your own prayers, petitions and thanksgivings.

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING *(pg. 101 BCP)*

**All: 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 ourselves 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.**

PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM *(pg. 102 BCP)*

L: Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O

Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

L: Let us bless the Lord.

P: **Thanks be to God.**

L: May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit.

P: **Amen.**