

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL

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

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 13, 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.

1 Happy are they whose way is blameless, *
who walk in the law of the Lord!

2 Happy are they who observe his decrees *
and seek him with all their hearts!

3 Who never do any wrong, *
but always walk in his ways.

4 You laid down your commandments, *
that we should fully keep them.

5 Oh, that my ways were made so direct *
that I might keep your statutes!

6 Then I should not be put to shame, *
when I regard all your commandments.

7 I will thank you with an unfeigned heart, *
when I have learned your righteous judgments.

8 I will keep your statutes; *
do not utterly forsake me.

9 How shall a young man cleanse his way? *
By keeping to your words.

10 With my whole heart I seek you; *
let me not stray from your commandments.

11 I treasure your promise in my heart, *
that I may not sin against you.

12 Blessed are you, O Lord; *
instruct me in your statutes.

13 With my lips will I recite *
all the judgments of your mouth.

14 I have taken greater delight in the way of your decrees *
than in all manner of riches.

15 I will meditate on your commandments *
and give attention to your ways.

16 My delight is in your statutes; *
I will not forget your word.

17 Deal bountifully with your servant, *
that I may live and keep your word.

18 Open my eyes, that I may see *
the wonders of your law.

19 I am a stranger here on earth; *
do not hide your commandments from me.

20 My soul is consumed at all times *
with longing for your judgments.

21 You have rebuked the insolent; *
cursed are they who stray from your commandments!

22 Turn from me shame and rebuke, *
for I have kept your decrees.

23 Even though rulers sit and plot against me, *
I will meditate on your statutes.

24 For your decrees are my delight, *

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 41:1-16

Listen to me in silence, O coastlands;
let the peoples renew their strength;
let them approach, then let them speak;
let us together draw near for judgement.

² Who has roused a victor from the east,
summoned him to his service?

He delivers up nations to him,
and tramples kings under foot;
he makes them like dust with his sword,
like driven stubble with his bow.

³ He pursues them and passes on safely,
scarcely touching the path with his feet.

⁴ Who has performed and done this,
calling the generations from the beginning?

I, the LORD, am first,
and will be with the last.

⁵ The coastlands have seen and are afraid,
the ends of the earth tremble;
they have drawn near and come.

⁶ Each one helps the other,
saying to one another, 'Take courage!'

⁷ The artisan encourages the goldsmith,
and the one who smooths with the hammer encourages the one who strikes the anvil,
saying of the soldering, 'It is good';
and they fasten it with nails so that it cannot be moved.

⁸ But you, Israel, my servant,
Jacob, whom I have chosen,
the offspring of Abraham, my friend;

⁹ you whom I took from the ends of the earth,
and called from its farthest corners,
saying to you, 'You are my servant,
I have chosen you and not cast you off';

¹⁰ do not fear, for I am with you,
do not be afraid, for I am your God;
I will strengthen you, I will help you,
I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

¹¹ Yes, all who are incensed against you
shall be ashamed and disgraced;
those who strive against you
shall be as nothing and shall perish.

¹² You shall seek those who contend with you,
but you shall not find them;
those who war against you

shall be as nothing at all.
13 For I, the LORD your God,
hold your right hand;
it is I who say to you, 'Do not fear,
I will help you.'
14 Do not fear, you worm Jacob,
you insect* Israel!
I will help you, says the LORD;
your Redeemer is the Holy One of Israel.
15 Now, I will make of you a threshing-sledge,
sharp, new, and having teeth;
you shall thresh the mountains and crush them,
and you shall make the hills like chaff.
16 You shall winnow them and the wind shall carry them away,
and the tempest shall scatter them.
Then you shall rejoice in the LORD;
in the Holy One of Israel you shall glory.

L: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
P: **Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 11 THE THIRD SONG OF ISAIAH *(pg. 87 BDP)*

**Arise, shine, for your light has come,*
and the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you.
For behold, darkness covers the land;*
deep gloom enshrouds the peoples.
But over you the Lord will rise,*
and his glory will appear upon you.
Nations will stream to your light,*
and kings to the brightness of your dawning.
Your gates will always be open;*
By day or night they will never be shut.
They will call you, The City of the Lord,*
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence will no more be heard in your land,*
ruin or destruction within your borders.
You will call your walls, Salvation,*
and your portals, Praise.
The sun will no more be your light by day;*
by night you will not need the brightness of the moon.
The Lord will be your everlasting light,*
and your God will be your glory.**

**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.