

# Morning Prayer

## Rite II



**Last Sunday after Pentecost**

**November 22nd, 2020**

**10:00 AM**

# MORNING PRAYER: RITE TWO

**Prelude**

Amazing Grace

**Processional Hymn #450 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”**

*Coronation*

*Priest:* Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead us, and bring us to  
your holy hill, and to your dwelling. *Psalm 43:3 (adapted)*

## **Confession of Sin**

**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.**

## **THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER**

*Priest:* Lord, open our lips.

***Response:* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**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.**

## **Psalm 95:1-7a**

- 1 Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*  
**let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
**and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**
- 3 For the Lord is a great God, \*  
**and a great King above all gods.**
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*  
**and the heights of the hills are his also.**
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, \*  
**and his hands have molded the dry land.**
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*  
**and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**
- 7 For he is our God,  
**and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.**

## **THE LESSONS**

### **The First Reading**

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

*Lector: The Word of the Lord.*

***People: Thanks be to God.***

## **Canticle 10 – The Second Song of Isaiah**

**Seek the Lord while he wills to be found; \*  
call upon him when he draws near.  
Let the wicked forsake their ways \*  
and the evil ones their thoughts;  
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion \*  
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, \*  
nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, \*  
so are my ways higher than your ways,  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.  
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens \*  
and return not again, but water  
Bringing forth life and giving growth, \*  
seed for sowing and bread for eating,  
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth; \*  
it will not return to me empty;  
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed, \*  
and prosper in that for which I sent it.**

## The Second Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

*Lector: The Word of the Lord.*

*People: Thanks be to God.*

## Sequence Hymn #494 “Crown him with many crowns”

*Diademata*

## The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

*Deacon: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*

*People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’

And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

*Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord.*

*People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

**Sermon**

**The Rev. Garrett M. Mettler**

## **The Apostles’ Creed**

**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

*Deacon:* The Lord be with you.

***Response:* And also with you.**

*Deacon:* Let us pray.

**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.**

For all who seek you in faith, reverence, and love. For all bishops, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, Presiding Bishop, and Andrew, Allen and Mary, our bishops; for all priests and deacons; and for the people of God in every place. Fill us with your Spirit,

**And help our words and actions honor you.**

For the world and its leaders, our nation and its people. Help us overcome barriers that divide us and raise up in their place new bonds of trust and cooperation for the benefit of the entire human family. Transform us through your Spirit,

**And move the hearts of people everywhere to respond with care for their neighbors.**

We pray for hope, for your blessings and sustaining energy to all people who are working for justice together, standing up for what is right, stepping in when something's wrong, shouldering each other's burdens, holding each other accountable, righting the wrongs we've done, and speaking truth to power. We pray for lasting change, for protection for protesters and allies, for a de-escalation of violence and for government leaders who are responsive to cries for a new and deep valuing of all human lives. Convict us in your Spirit,

**And lead us to reconciliation in places where relationships are badly broken.**

For all those in need, especially Sue, Brian, Barbara, James, Elaine, Vincent, Bob, Joan, Kate, Ashley, Nada, Joseph, Ariana, Susie, Sander, Sara, Hannah, John R., Vincent B., Carolyn, John C., Toni, Avery, Dorothy, Bryn, Libby, Judith, Kevin, Joe, Bea, Jerry, Miriam, Audrey, Inez, Lee, Virginia, Bob and Fran, Rosemarie, Marilyn, Robin, Ann-Marie, Norbert, Monica, Beth, John, Patty, Michelle, Eric, Dawn, Joe, Robyn, Bennett and Family, Clara and Susan, the Salas Family, William and Family and for all who suffer in body, mind or spirit; Bring relief through your Spirit,

**And lift up all whose hope has been lost.**

We also remember this day Robert Herber, who died on October 30<sup>th</sup>. Though we cannot gather together in person at this time to commend him to you, we thank you for giving him to us to know as a companion on our earthly pilgrimage. We pray that he may now know you fully and dwell with you in the land of light and joy, where sorrow and pain are no more, neither sighing, but life everlasting. Give to us also, faith to see in death the gate of eternal life, so that in quiet confidence we may continue our course on earth,

**Until, by your call, we are reunited with those who have gone before.**

For all who serve the needs of others; for caregivers, public safety workers, retail and service workers, and all whose labor puts them in harm's way. Grant them courage and protection as they give of themselves. Surround them with your Spirit,

**And shower them with your grace.**

We give you thanks for all of the things and people that bless us, especially \_\_\_\_\_ . Keep us ever mindful of how you shower us with blessings continually.

**God of joy, in you we live and move and have our being.**

In continual thanksgiving for renewed inspiration and purpose through the Holy Spirit, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ.  
**To you, O Lord our God.**

Blessed are you, God of the cosmos, who sends us the Spirit of truth. Open our eyes and ears to see and hear your responses to the prayers we offer this day and accept your calling upon our lives. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

## **Announcements**

**Offertory Hymn “Holy, holy, holy is the Lord”**

## **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

**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.**

*Priest:* Let us bless the Lord; alleluia, alleluia!

*People:* Thanks be to God; alleluia, alleluia!

**Closing Processional #460 “Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”** *Hyfrydol*

*The Deacon concludes with*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *Romans 15:13*

## **Service Participants**

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