



# GOOD SHEPHERD

EPISCOPAL CHURCH & SCHOOL

TEQUESTA, FLORIDA

## Morning Prayer – Rite Two

Monday | September 15, 2025

**Holy Cross Day (transferred)**

*Join us at 9:00 AM as we pray together.  
Or use this Order of Service for your own devotional time each day.*

### Opening Sentence

*Officiant says the following verse of Holy Scripture.*

Jesus said, "If anyone will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me." - Mark 8:34

### 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 render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy 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 kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*A few moments of silence are observed to prepare our hearts for confession.*

*Officiant and People*

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 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.**

## 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 forever. Amen. Alleluia.**

*Officiant* The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:  
*People* **Come let us adore him.**

### **Psalms 95** *Said in unison*

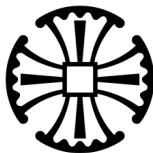
Come, let us sing to the Lord; \*  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

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!

Harden not your hearts,  
as your forebears did in the wilderness, \*  
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,  
when they tempted me.  
They put me to the test, \*  
though they had seen my works.  
Forty years long I detested that generation and said, \*  
"This people are wayward in their hearts;  
they do not know my ways."  
So I swore in my wrath, \*  
"They shall not enter into my rest."

*Officiant* The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:  
*People* **Come let us adore him.**



**Psalm 98**    *Said in unison*

**98**    *Cantate Domino*

- 1        Sing to the LORD a new song, \*  
          for he has done marvelous things.
- 2        With his right hand and his holy arm \*  
          has he won for himself the victory.
- 3        The LORD has made known his victory; \*  
          his righteousness has he openly shown in  
          the sight of the nations.
- 4        He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to  
          the house of Israel, \*  
          and all the ends of the earth have seen the  
          victory of our God.
- 5        Shout with joy to the LORD, all you lands; \*  
          lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6        Sing to the LORD with the harp, \*  
          with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7        With trumpets and the sound of the horn \*  
          shout with joy before the King, the LORD.
- 8        Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, \*  
          the lands and those who dwell therein.
- 9        Let the rivers clap their hands, \*  
          and let the hills ring out with joy before the LORD,  
          when he comes to judge the earth.
- 10      In righteousness shall he judge the world \*  
          and the peoples with equity.

**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.**

**First Lesson**

**Isaiah 45:20-25**

Assemble yourselves and come together,  
draw near, you survivors of the nations!  
They have no knowledge—  
those who carry about their wooden idols,  
and keep on praying to a god  
that cannot save.  
Declare and present your case;  
let them take counsel together!

Who told this long ago?  
Who declared it of old?  
Was it not I, the Lord?  
There is no other god besides me,  
a righteous God and a Savior;  
there is no one besides me.

Turn to me and be saved,  
all the ends of the earth!  
For I am God, and there is no other.  
By myself I have sworn,  
from my mouth has gone forth  
in righteousness  
a word that shall not return:  
'To me every knee shall bow,  
every tongue shall swear.'

Only in the Lord, it shall be said of me,  
are righteousness and strength;  
all who were incensed against him  
shall come to him and be ashamed.  
In the Lord all the offspring of Israel  
shall triumph and glory.

*Reader*                    The Word of the Lord.  
*People*                    **Thanks be to God.**

**A Song of Penitence**    *Said in unison*

O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven, \*  
God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,  
and of all their righteous offspring:  
You made the heavens and the earth, \*  
with all their vast array.  
All things quake with fear at your presence; \*  
they tremble because of your power.  
But your merciful promise is beyond all measure; \*  
it surpasses all that our minds can fathom.  
O Lord, you are full of compassion, \*  
long-suffering, and abounding in mercy.  
You hold back your hand; \*  
you do not punish as we deserve.  
In your great goodness, Lord,  
you have promised forgiveness to sinners, \*  
that they may repent of their sin and be saved.  
And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart, \*  
and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness.  
I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, \*  
and I know my wickedness only too well.  
Therefore I make this prayer to you: \*  
Forgive me, Lord, forgive me.  
Do not let me perish in my sin, \*  
nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.  
For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent, \*  
and in me you will show forth your goodness.  
Unworthy as I am, you will save me,  
in accordance with your great mercy, \*  
and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life.  
For all the powers of heaven sing your praises, \*  
and yours is the glory to ages of ages. Amen.



## Second Lesson

### Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you  
that was in Christ Jesus,  
who, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
as something to be exploited,  
but emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
being born in human likeness.  
And being found in human form,  
he humbled himself  
and became obedient to the point of death—  
even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him  
and gave him the name  
that is above every name,  
so that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,  
and every tongue should confess  
that Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

*Reader*            The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

### The Song of the Redeemed    *Said in unison*

O ruler of the universe, Lord God,  
great deeds are they that you have done, \*  
surpassing human understanding.  
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, \*  
O King of all the ages.  
Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,  
and sing the praises of your Name? \*  
for you only are the Holy One.  
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, \*  
because your just and holy works have been revealed.  
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

*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

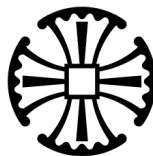
*Officiant*        The Lord be with you.  
*People*            **And also with you.**  
*Officiant*        Let us pray.

*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.

## Suffrages A

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.**



## The Collects

*Prayed by Officiant*

### *The Collect for Holy Cross Day*

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ was lifted high upon the cross that he might draw the whole world to himself: Mercifully grant that we, who glory in the mystery of our redemption, may have grace to take up our cross and follow him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

### *A Collect for Peace*

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### *A Prayer attributed to St. Francis*

Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. **Amen.**

We pray for our brothers and sisters in Christ, and particularly those throughout the Anglican communion, remembering today especially:

The Diocese of Omu-Aran (Nigeria) The Rt Revd Philip Adeyemo, Bishop.

We pray also for our Diocese of Southeast Florida and our Bishop, The Rt Revd Peter Eaton; and our companion dioceses, remembering today especially the Diocese of the Bahamas & The Turks and Caicos Islands, The Rt Revd Laish Zane Boyd Sr., Bishop.

### *A Prayer for Mission*

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

We pray for our own parish family, and those dear to them, remembering today especially:

Michael and Joan, Marguerite, Ricardo, Bev, Ben, Jennie, Joan, Rick, Emily, Bettina and Paul, Gloria, and Melissa.

We pray also today for our Worship ministries, remembering especially:

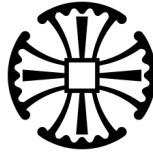
Vergers, that by their leadership and attention to detail, our worship services may proceed seamlessly, that all who worship at Good Shepherd may feel the presence of the Holy Spirit; and

Lectors, that the Word of God may be heard, read, marked, learned and inwardly digested by those who worship with us.

### *A Prayer for the Parish*

Almighty and everliving God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth, hear our prayers for this parish family. Strengthen the faithful, arouse the careless, and restore the penitent. Grant us all things necessary for our common life, and bring us all to be of one heart and mind within your holy Church; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*At this time, we invite your prayers of petition, intercession and thanksgiving, either shared with all or held in the silence of your hearts.*



## **A General Thanksgiving**

*Officiant and People*

Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.

We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.

We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.

We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.

Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.

Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know Christ and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.

<i>Officiant</i>	Let us bless the Lord.
<i>People</i>	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** 2 Corinthians 13:14

