



# GOOD SHEPHERD

EPISCOPAL CHURCH & SCHOOL

TEQUESTA, FLORIDA

## Morning Prayer – Rite Two

Friday | September 19, 2025

*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 one of the following verses of Holy Scripture.*

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. - *Habakkuk 2:20*

The hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and in truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. - *John 4:23*

Thus says the high and lofty One who inhabits eternity, whose name is Holy, "I dwell in the high and holy place and also with the one who has a contrite and humble spirit, to revive the spirit of the humble and to revive the heart of the contrite." - *Isaiah 57:15*

### 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 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.**

**Venite** *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!

*Officiant*

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**Psalms 69:1-23,31-38** *Said in unison*

**69** *Salvum me fac*

- 1 Save me, O God, \*  
for the waters have risen up to my neck.
- 2 I am sinking in deep mire, \*  
and there is no firm ground for my feet.

- 3 I have come into deep waters, \*  
and the torrent washes over me.
- 4 I have grown weary with my crying;  
my throat is inflamed; \*  
my eyes have failed from looking for my God.
- 5 Those who hate me without a cause are more than the hairs  
of my head;  
my lying foes who would destroy me are mighty. \*  
Must I then give back what I never stole?
- 6 O God, you know my foolishness, \*  
and my faults are not hidden from you.
- 7 Let not those who hope in you be put to shame through me,  
Lord GOD of hosts; \*  
let not those who seek you be disgraced because of me,  
O God of Israel.
- 8 Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach, \*  
and shame has covered my face.
- 9 I have become a stranger to my own kindred, \*  
an alien to my mother's children.
- 10 Zeal for your house has eaten me up; \*  
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen upon me.
- 11 I humbled myself with fasting, \*  
but that was turned to my reproach.
- 12 I put on sack-cloth also, \*  
and became a byword among them.
- 13 Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, \*  
and the drunkards make songs about me.
- 14 But as for me, this is my prayer to you, \*  
at the time you have set, O LORD:
- 15 "In your great mercy, O God, \*  
answer me with your unfailing help.
- 16 Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; \*  
let me be rescued from those who hate me  
and out of the deep waters.
- 17 Let not the torrent of waters wash over me,  
neither let the deep swallow me up; \*  
do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon me.
- 18 Answer me, O LORD, for your love is kind; \*  
in your great compassion, turn to me."
- 19 "Hide not your face from your servant; \*  
be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.

- 20 Draw near to me and redeem me; \*  
because of my enemies deliver me.
- 21 You know my reproach, my shame, and my dishonor; \*  
my adversaries are all in your sight."
- 22 Reproach has broken my heart, and it cannot be healed; \*  
I looked for sympathy, but there was none,  
for comforters, but I could find no one.
- 23 They gave me gall to eat, \*  
and when I was thirsty, they gave me vinegar to drink.
- 31 As for me, I am afflicted and in pain; \*  
your help, O God, will lift me up on high.
- 32 I will praise the Name of God in song; \*  
I will proclaim his greatness with thanksgiving.
- 33 This will please the LORD more than an offering of oxen, \*  
more than bullocks with horns and hoofs.
- 34 The afflicted shall see and be glad; \*  
you who seek God, your heart shall live.
- 35 For the LORD listens to the needy, \*  
and his prisoners he does not despise.
- 36 Let the heavens and the earth praise him, \*  
the seas and all that moves in them;
- 37 For God will save Zion and rebuild the cities of Judah; \*  
they shall live there and have it in possession.
- 38 The children of his servants will inherit it, \*  
and those who love his Name will dwell therein.

**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

### 2 Kings 1:2-17

Ahaziah had fallen through the lattice in his upper chamber in Samaria, and lay injured; so he sent messengers, telling them, 'Go, inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron, whether I shall recover from this injury.' But the angel of the Lord said to Elijah the Tishbite, 'Get up, go to meet the messengers of the king of Samaria, and say to them, "Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are going to inquire of Baal-

zebub, the god of Ekron?" Now therefore, thus says the Lord, "You shall not leave the bed to which you have gone, but you shall surely die." ' So Elijah went.

The messengers returned to the king, who said to them, 'Why have you returned?' They answered him, 'There came a man to meet us, who said to us, "Go back to the king who sent

you, and say to him: Thus says the Lord: Is it because there is no God in Israel that you are sending to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron? Therefore you shall not leave the bed to which you have gone, but shall surely die.”  
‘ He said to them, ‘What sort of man was he who came to meet you and told you these things?’ They answered him, ‘A hairy man, with a leather belt around his waist.’ He said, ‘It is Elijah the Tishbite.’

Then the king sent to him a captain of fifty with his fifty men. He went up to Elijah, who was sitting on the top of a hill, and said to him, ‘O man of God, the king says, “Come down.” ’  
But Elijah answered the captain of fifty, ‘If I am a man of God, let fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty.’ Then fire came down from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.

Again the king sent to him another captain of fifty with his fifty. He went up and said to him, ‘O man of God, this is the king’s order: Come down quickly!’ But Elijah answered them, ‘If I am a man of God, let fire come down from heaven and consume you and your fifty.’ Then

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

the fire of God came down from heaven and consumed him and his fifty.

Again the king sent the captain of a third fifty with his fifty. So the third captain of fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees before Elijah, and entreated him, ‘O man of God, please let my life, and the life of these fifty servants of yours, be precious in your sight. Look, fire came down from heaven and consumed the two former captains of fifty men with their fifties; but now let my life be precious in your sight.’ Then the angel of the Lord said to Elijah, ‘Go down with him; do not be afraid of him.’ So he set out and went down with him to the king, and said to him, ‘Thus says the Lord: Because you have sent messengers to inquire of Baal-zebub, the god of Ekron,—is it because there is no God in Israel to inquire of his word?—therefore you shall not leave the bed to which you have gone, but you shall surely die.’

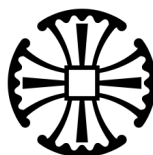
So he died according to the word of the Lord that Elijah had spoken. His brother Jehoram succeeded him as king in the second year of King Jehoram son of Jehoshaphat of Judah, because Ahaziah had no son.

### **A Song of Praise**    *Said in unison*

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \*  
    you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \*  
    we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \*  
    on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.  
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \*  
    we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths; \*  
    in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*  
    we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.



## Second Lesson

### 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple.

Do not deceive yourselves. If you think that you are wise in this age, you should become fools so that you may become wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God.

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

For it is written,  
'He catches the wise in their craftiness',  
and again,  
'The Lord knows the thoughts of the wise,  
that they are futile.'

So let no one boast about human leaders. For all things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future—all belong to you, and you belong to Christ, and Christ belongs to God.

### A Song to the Lamb    *Said in unison*

Splendor and honor and kingly power \*  
are yours by right, O Lord our God,  
For you created everything that is, \*  
and by your will they were created and have their being;  
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, \*  
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,  
From every family, language, people, and nation, \*  
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.  
And so, to him who sits upon the throne, \*  
and to Christ the Lamb,  
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, \*  
for ever and for evermore.

## 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

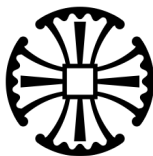
*Officiant*        The Lord be with you.  
*People*           **And also with you.**  
*Officiant*        Let us pray.

*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 of the Day (Proper 19)*

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Ember Day Collect: For the Choice of Fit Persons for the Ministry*

O God, you led your holy apostles to ordain ministers in every place: Grant that your Church, under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, may choose suitable persons for the ministry of Word and Sacrament, and may uphold them in their work for the extension of your kingdom; through him who is the Shepherd and Bishop of our souls, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*A Collect to Commemorate Theodore of Tarsus, Archbishop of Canterbury, 690*

Almighty God, who gave your servant Theodore of Tarsus gifts of grace and wisdom to establish unity where there had been division and order where there had been chaos: Create in your church, by the operation of the Holy Spirit, such godly union and concord that it may proclaim, both by word and example, the Gospel of the Prince of Peace; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*A Collect for Fridays*

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through 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 Eastern Oregon (Episcopal) The Rt Revd Patrick Bell, Bishop; and

The Diocese of Orlu (Nigeria) The Most Revd Bennett C. I. Okoro, Bishop.

We pray also for our Diocese of Southeast Florida and our Bishop, The Rt Revd Peter Eaton; and the Episcopal Church, The Most Revd Sean Rowe, Presiding Bishop and Primate.

*A Prayer for Mission*

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

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

Toni, Carolyn, Mary Ella, Bob and Beth, Kiki and Russell, Christy, Don, George, Mirabelle, Terri, Grant, Kyle, Dylan, Nick, Gabriel, Michael, Rhett, and Brett.



We pray also today for ministries of current activity, remembering especially:

Sunday Forum, that the members of Good Shepherd may explore topics relevant to faith and of interest to our church and community between the Sunday services; and

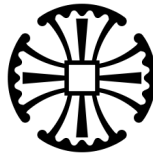
The Food Pantry, that through nourishing the bodies and spirits of our neighbors in need, we may be a beacon of faith, hope and love in this community.

*Good Shepherd Parish Prayer*

Almighty and everlasting God, make our parish of Good Shepherd truly a community of prayer and belonging. Raise up in our midst the resources and leadership which will enable us to act upon what you would have us do, in this place and in a ministry of love and concern for others. *Open my mind and heart to discern what you would have me do; 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 Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

*Prayed by Officiant*

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.***

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

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*

