

# Morning Prayer – Rite Two

Wednesday | July 31, 2024

# *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.* Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. - *Philippians* 1:2

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord." - Psalm 122:1

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. - *Psalm* 19:14

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling. - *Psalm* 43:3

# Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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

OfficiantLord, open our lips.PeopleAnd 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 earth is the Lord's for he made it:
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!

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#### Psalm 72 Said in unison

#### 72 Deus, judicium

- 1 Give the King your justice, O God, \* and your righteousness to the King's son;
- 2 That he may rule your people righteously \* and the poor with justice.
- 3 That the mountains may bring prosperity to the people, \* and the little hills bring righteousness.
- 4 He shall defend the needy among the people; \* he shall rescue the poor and crush the oppressor.
- 5 He shall live as long as the sun and moon endure, \* from one generation to another.

6	He shall come down like rain upon the mown field, * like showers that water the earth.
7	In his time shall the righteous flourish; * there shall be abundance of peace till the moon shall be no more.
8	He shall rule from sea to sea, * and from the River to the ends of the earth.
9	His foes shall bow down before him, * and his enemies lick the dust.
10	The kings of Tarshish and of the isles shall pay tribute, * and the kings of Arabia and Saba offer gifts.
11	All kings shall bow down before him, * and all the nations do him service.
12	For he shall deliver the poor who cries out in distress, * and the oppressed who has no helper.
13	He shall have pity on the lowly and poor; * he shall preserve the lives of the needy.
14	He shall redeem their lives from oppression and violence, * and dear shall their blood be in his sight.
15	Long may he live! and may there be given to him gold from Arabia; * may prayer be made for him always, and may they bless him all the day long.
16	May there be abundance of grain on the earth, growing thick even on the hilltops; * may its fruit flourish like Lebanon, and its grain like grass upon the earth.
17	May his Name remain for ever and be established as long as the sun endures; * may all the nations bless themselves in him and call him blessed.
18	Blessed be the Lord GOD, the God of Israel, * who alone does wondrous deeds!
19	And blessed be his glorious Name for ever! * and may all the earth be filled with his glory. Amen. Amen.

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

## Judges 3:12-30

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord; and the Lord strengthened King Eglon of Moab against Israel, because they had done what was evil in the sight of the Lord. In alliance with the Ammonites and the Amalekites, he went and defeated Israel; and they took possession of the city of palms. So the Israelites served King Eglon of Moab for eighteen years.

But when the Israelites cried out to the Lord, the Lord raised up for them a deliverer, Ehud son of Gera, the Benjaminite, a left-handed man. The Israelites sent tribute by him to King Eglon of Moab. Ehud made for himself a sword with two edges, a cubit in length; and he fastened it on his right thigh under his clothes. Then he presented the tribute to King Eglon of Moab. Now Eglon was a very fat man. When Ehud had finished presenting the tribute, he sent the people who carried the tribute on their way. But he himself turned back at the sculptured stones near Gilgal, and said, 'I have a secret message for you, O king.' So the king said, 'Silence!' and all his attendants went out from his presence. Ehud came to him, while he was sitting alone in his cool roof-chamber, and said, 'I have a message from God for you.' So he rose from his seat. Then Ehud reached with his left hand, took the sword from his right thigh, and thrust it into

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Eglon's belly; the hilt also went in after the blade, and the fat closed over the blade, for he did not draw the sword out of his belly; and the dirt came out. Then Ehud went out into the vestibule, and closed the doors of the roofchamber on him, and locked them.

After he had gone, the servants came. When they saw that the doors of the roof-chamber were locked, they thought, 'He must be relieving himself in the cool chamber.' So they waited until they were embarrassed. When he still did not open the doors of the roofchamber, they took the key and opened them. There was their lord lying dead on the floor.

Ehud escaped while they delayed, and passed beyond the sculptured stones, and escaped to Seirah. When he arrived, he sounded the trumpet in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites went down with him from the hill country, having him at their head. He said to them, 'Follow after me; for the Lord has given your enemies the Moabites into your hand.' So they went down after him, and seized the fords of the Jordan against the Moabites, and allowed no one to cross over. At that time they killed about ten thousand of the Moabites, all strong, able-bodied men; no one escaped. So Moab was subdued that day under the hand of Israel. And the land had rest for eighty years.

## The Third Song of Isaiah Said in unison

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 all 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 for ever. Amen.

# Second Lesson

#### Matthew 27:45-54

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice, 'Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?' that is, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, 'This man is calling for Elijah.' At once one of them ran and got a sponge, filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink. But the others said, 'Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him.' Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice and breathed his last. At that

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#### The Song of Zechariah Said in unison

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \* he has come to his people and set them free. He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \* born of the house of his servant David. Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, \* from the hands of all who hate us. He promised to show mercy to our fathers \* and to remember his holy covenant. This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham, \* to set us free from the hands of our enemies, Free to worship him without fear, \* holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \* for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, To give his people knowledge of salvation \* by the forgiveness of their sins. In the tender compassion of our God \* the dawn from on high shall break upon us, To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, \* and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. The earth shook, and the rocks were split. The tombs also were opened, and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised. After his resurrection they came out of the tombs and entered the holy city and appeared to many. Now when the centurion and those with him, who were keeping watch over Jesus, saw the earthquake and what took place, they were terrified and said, 'Truly this man was God's Son!' 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.

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- 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 12)*

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through 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 Ignatius of Loyola, Mystic, Educator, Preacher and Founder of the Jesuits, 1556 Almighty God, who called Ignatius of Loyola to the service of your Divine Majesty and to seek you in all things; Give us also the grace to labor without counting the cost and to seek no reward other than knowing that we do your will; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

#### A Collect for Guidance

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; 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 Honduras (Épiscopal) The Rt Revd Lloyd Allen, 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 Haiti, The Rt Revd Jean Zaché Duracin, 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: Cindy, Jacqui and Harry, Kisan, JD, Fran, Tom, Lisa, and Taylor.

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

- Good Shepherd Episcopal School, that pre-Kindergarten through fifth grade children in our community may build a firm, Christ-centered foundation for life in a safe learning environment; and
- The Rector's Round Table, that the members of Good Shepherd may discuss challenging issues within the context of the Christian faith.

#### A Prayer for Clergy and People

Almighty and everlasting God, from whom comes every good and perfect gift: Send down upon our bishops, and other clergy, and upon the congregations committed to their charge, the healthful Spirit of your grace: and, that they may truly please you, pour upon them the continual dew of your blessing. Grant this, O Lord, for the honor of our Advocate and Mediator, Jesus Christ. *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.* 

OfficiantLet us bless the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

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