



GOOD SHEPHERD

EPISCOPAL CHURCH & SCHOOL

TEQUESTA, FLORIDA

Morning Prayer – Rite Two

Friday | September 24, 2021

*Join us weekday mornings 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!

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People **Come let us adore him.**

Psalms 88 *Said in unison*

88 *Domine, Deus*

1 O LORD, my God, my Savior, *
 by day and night I cry to you.

2 Let my prayer enter into your presence; *
 incline your ear to my lamentation.

- 3 For I am full of trouble; *
my life is at the brink of the grave.
- 4 I am counted among those who go down to the Pit; *
I have become like one who has no strength;
- 5 Lost among the dead, *
like the slain who lie in the grave,
- 6 Whom you remember no more, *
for they are cut off from your hand.
- 7 You have laid me in the depths of the Pit, *
in dark places, and in the abyss.
- 8 Your anger weighs upon me heavily, *
and all your great waves overwhelm me.
- 9 You have put my friends far from me;
you have made me to be abhorred by them; *
I am in prison and cannot get free.
- 10 My sight has failed me because of trouble; *
LORD, I have called upon you daily;
I have stretched out my hands to you.
- 11 Do you work wonders for the dead? *
will those who have died stand up and give you thanks?
- 12 Will your loving-kindness be declared in the grave? *
your faithfulness in the land of destruction?
- 13 Will your wonders be known in the dark? *
or your righteousness in the country where all
is forgotten?
- 14 But as for me, O LORD, I cry to you for help; *
in the morning my prayer comes before you.
- 15 LORD, why have you rejected me? *
why have you hidden your face from me?
- 16 Ever since my youth, I have been wretched and at the
point of death; *
I have borne your terrors with a troubled mind.
- 17 Your blazing anger has swept over me; *
your terrors have destroyed me;
- 18 They surround me all day long like a flood; *
they encompass me on every side.
- 19 My friend and my neighbor you have put away from me, *
and darkness is my only companion.

**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 9:17-37

In Jezreel, the sentinel standing on the tower spied the company of Jehu arriving, and said, 'I see a company.' Joram said, 'Take a horseman; send him to meet them, and let him say, "Is it peace?"' So the horseman went to meet him; he said, 'Thus says the king, "Is it peace?"' Jehu responded, 'What have you to do with peace? Fall in behind me.' The sentinel reported, saying, 'The messenger reached them, but he is not coming back.' Then he sent out a second horseman, who came to them and said, 'Thus says the king, "Is it peace?"' Jehu answered, 'What have you to do with peace? Fall in behind me.' Again the sentinel reported, 'He reached them, but he is not coming back. It looks like the driving of Jehu son of Nimshi; for he drives like a maniac.'

Joram said, 'Get ready.' And they got his chariot ready. Then King Joram of Israel and King Ahaziah of Judah set out, each in his chariot, and went to meet Jehu; they met him at the property of Naboth the Jezreelite. When Joram saw Jehu, he said, 'Is it peace, Jehu?' He answered, 'What peace can there be, so long as the many whoredoms and sorceries of your mother Jezebel continue?' Then Joram reined about and fled, saying to Ahaziah, 'Treason, Ahaziah!' Jehu drew his bow with all his strength, and shot Joram between the shoulders, so that the arrow pierced his heart; and he sank in his chariot. Jehu said to his aide Bidkar, 'Lift him out, and throw him on the plot of ground belonging to Naboth the Jezreelite; for remember, when you and I rode side by side behind his father Ahab, how the Lord uttered this oracle against him: "For the blood of Naboth and for the blood of his children that I saw yesterday, says the Lord, I

swear I will repay you on this very plot of ground." Now therefore lift him out and throw him on the plot of ground, in accordance with the word of the Lord.'

When King Ahaziah of Judah saw this, he fled in the direction of Beth-haggan. Jehu pursued him, saying, 'Shoot him also!' And they shot him in the chariot at the ascent to Gur, which is by Ibleam. Then he fled to Megiddo, and died there. His officers carried him in a chariot to Jerusalem, and buried him in his tomb with his ancestors in the city of David.

In the eleventh year of Joram son of Ahab, Ahaziah began to reign over Judah.

When Jehu came to Jezreel, Jezebel heard of it; she painted her eyes, and adorned her head, and looked out of the window. As Jehu entered the gate, she said, 'Is it peace, Zimri, murderer of your master?' He looked up to the window and said, 'Who is on my side? Who?' Two or three eunuchs looked out at him. He said, 'Throw her down.' So they threw her down; some of her blood splattered on the wall and on the horses, which trampled on her. Then he went in and ate and drank; he said, 'See to that cursed woman and bury her; for she is a king's daughter.' But when they went to bury her, they found no more of her than the skull and the feet and the palms of her hands. When they came back and told him, he said, 'This is the word of the Lord, which he spoke by his servant Elijah the Tishbite, "In the territory of Jezreel the dogs shall eat the flesh of Jezebel; the corpse of Jezebel shall be like dung on the field in the territory of Jezreel, so that no one can say, This is Jezebel."'

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

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 7:1-9

Now concerning the matters about which you wrote: 'It is well for a man not to touch a woman.' But because of cases of sexual immorality, each man should have his own wife and each woman her own husband. The husband should give to his wife her conjugal rights, and likewise the wife to her husband. For the wife does not have authority over her own body, but the husband does; likewise the husband does not have authority over his own body, but the wife does. Do not deprive one another except perhaps by agreement for a set time, to devote yourselves to prayer, and then

come together again, so that Satan may not tempt you because of your lack of self-control. This I say by way of concession, not of command. I wish that all were as I myself am. But each has a particular gift from God, one having one kind and another a different kind.

To the unmarried and the widows I say that it is well for them to remain unmarried as I am. But if they are not practicing self-control, they should marry. For it is better to marry than to be aflame with passion.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be 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 20)

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Collect to Commemorate Anna Ellison Butler Alexander, Deaconess and Teacher, 1947

Loving God, who called Anna Alexander as a deaconess in your church: Grant us the wisdom to teach the gospel of Christ to whomever we meet, by word and by example, that all may come to the enlightenment that you intend for your people; through Jesus Christ, our Teacher and Savior. **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 for Guidance

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with your most gracious favor, and further us with your continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in you, we may glorify your holy Name, and finally, by your mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

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

The Diocese of Central Florida (Episcopal) The Rt Revd Gregory Brewer, Bishop; and

The Diocese of Southeast Florida (Episcopal) The Rt Revd Peter Eaton, Bishop.

We pray also for the Episcopal Church, The Most Revd Michael B. Curry, 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:

Carlos, Jessica, Maggie, Nancy, Arnie, Tammy, Amanda, Brian and family, Dale Anne, Howard, Kathryn, Kimberley, Melissa, Philip, Allison, Bob and Audrey, Cliff, Rob, Roger, Richard, Phil, Keith, Patricia, Grace, Karen, George, Joan, Wendy, Mirabelle, Ric, Bunny, and Ali.

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

The South Florida Haiti Project, that the children of Bon Samaritan School and the people of Bondeau Haiti may be provided for both physically and spiritually; 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.**

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

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*

