

# A PUBLIC SERVICE OF HEALING

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**“A traditional Episcopal Church where you can worship God with a sense of belonging.”**

Celebrant Grace and peace be with you, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

**People And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says*

O God of peace, you have taught us that in returning and rest we shall be saved, in quietness and confidence shall be our strength: By the might of your Spirit lift us, we pray, to your presence, where we may be still and know that you are God; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The Collect of the Day.**

God of all times and seasons: Give us grace that we, after the example of your servant Hildegard, may both know and make known the joy and jubilation of being part of your creation, and show forth your glory, not only with our lips but in our lives; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The Lessons Ecclesiasticus 43-1-2, 6-7, 9-12, 27-28**

The pride of the higher realms is the clear vault of the sky, as glorious to behold as the sight of the heavens. The sun, when it appears, proclaims as it rises what a marvelous instrument it is, the work of the Most High. It is the moon that marks the changing seasons, governing the times, their everlasting sign. From the moon comes the sign for festal days, a light that wanes when it completes its course. The glory of the stars is the beauty of heaven, a glittering array in the heights of the Lord. On the orders of the Holy One they stand in their appointed places; they never relax in their watches. Look at the rainbow, and praise him who made it; it is exceedingly beautiful in its brightness. It encircles the sky with its glorious arc; the hands of the Most High have stretched it out. We could say more but could never say enough; let the final word be: "He is the all." Where can we find the strength to praise him? For he is greater than all his works.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Psalm: 104:25-34**

- <sup>25</sup> O Lord, how manifold are your works! \*  
in wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.
- <sup>26</sup> Yonder is the great and wide sea  
with its living things too many to number, \*  
creatures both small and great.
- <sup>27</sup> There move the ships,  
and there is that Leviathan, \*  
which you have made for the sport of it.
- <sup>28</sup> All of them look to you \*  
to give them their food in due season.
- <sup>29</sup> You give it to them; they gather it; \*  
you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- <sup>30</sup> You hide your face, and they are terrified; \*  
you take away their breath,  
and they die and return to their dust.
- <sup>31</sup> You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; \*  
and so you renew the face of the earth.
- <sup>32</sup> May the glory of the Lord endure for ever; \*  
may the Lord rejoice in all his works.
- <sup>33</sup> He looks at the earth and it trembles; \*  
he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- <sup>34</sup> I will sing to the Lord as long as I live; \*  
I will praise my God while I have my being.

**Gospel:**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

**Glory to you, Lord Christ**

**John 3:16-21**

‘For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ‘Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Those who believe in him are not condemned; but those who do not believe are condemned already, because they have not believed in the name of the only Son of God. And this is the judgement, that the light has come into the world, and people loved darkness rather than light because their deeds were evil. For all who do evil hate the light and do not come to the light, so that their deeds may not be exposed. But those who do what is true come to the light, so that it may be clearly seen that their deeds have been done in God.’

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you Lord Christ.**

*For the Prayers of the People a Litany of Healing, as follows, may be used.*

## **Litany of Healing**

*The Celebrant introduces the Litany with this bidding:*

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

Jeff and Pam Ray, Leon Stricklen, Carole Warner, Evelyn Wright, Monika Potter, Nancy Pyle, Sharon Miller, Ruth Pawliczak, Toni, Donna Pfister, Penny Pfister, David Easter, Kathy Easter, Pat Joyce, Margo Odom, Police Officers, Ruth Chester, Linda Shreve, Brandon, Jerry Fields, Firefighters, Our Vestry, St. Thomas Church, Kirt Gillum, and Bruce Rispoli.

*(Please note: Intercessory prayer will be offered for 4 weeks for each person, then assuming a healing, they will be moved from the prayer list. If you would like someone added back onto the list, simply call the church office or drop their name in the collection plate. Thank you! This will keep our prayer list current.)*

*The People audibly name those for whom they are interceding. A Person appointed then leads the Litany.*

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation.

**We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly.

**We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence.

**We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being.

**We praise you and thank you, O Lord.**

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole.

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence.

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Mend broken relationships and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit.

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience.

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved.

**Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;

**People: Hear us, O Lord of life.**

Minister: You are the Lord who does wonders

**People: You have declared your power among the peoples.**

Minister: With you, O Lord, is the well of life.

**People: And in your light we see light.**

Minister: Hear us, O Lord of life:

**People: Heal us and make us whole.**

Minister: Let us pray.

*A period of silence follows.*

*The Celebrant concludes the Prayers with the following:*

Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick, and upon those who minister to them, that all weakness may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*A Confession of Sin follows .*

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister 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.**

*The Priest or Deacon alone stands and says*

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.**

Savior of the world, by your cross and precious blood you have redeemed us. **Save us, and help us, we humbly beseech you, O Lord.**

*The Celebrant says the following blessing.*

The Almighty Lord, who is a strong tower to all who put their trust in him, to whom all things in heaven, on earth, and under the earth bow and obey: Be now and evermore your defense, and make you know and feel that the only Name under heaven given for health and salvation is the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

The Peace

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**People      And also with you.**

*Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **Eucharistic Prayer B- The Great Thanksgiving**

The Lord be with you.

**And also, with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with their endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Heaven and earth are full, of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord,  
Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil,

and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with Thomas and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **Amen**

*The Lord's Prayer is said, the Celebrant first saying*

Let us pray in the words our Savior Christ has taught us.



**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.**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
**Therefore let us keep the peace**

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*After Communion, the Celebrant and people say*

**Gracious Father, we give you praise and thanks for this Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of your beloved Son Jesus Christ, the pledge of our redemption; and we pray that it may bring us forgiveness of our sins, strength in our weakness, and everlasting salvation; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

*The Celebrant pronounces this blessing*

May God the Father bless you, God the Son heal you, God the Holy Spirit give you strength. May God the holy and undivided Trinity guard your body, save your soul, and bring you safely to his heavenly country; where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*A Deacon or Celebrant dismisses the people with these words*

Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

**People    Thanks be to God.**