
EVENING PRAYER ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP
 WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2020
 6:30 PM IN THE CHAPEL LIVESTREAM
 Presider — The Rev. Emily Zimbrick-Rogers

*We invite you to a time of silence and prayer
 before the service so that we may center our hearts on God.*

God is Spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and in truth.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and People

***God of all mercy,
 we confess that we have sinned against you,
 opposing your will in our lives.
 We have denied your goodness in each other,
 in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
 We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
 the evil we have done,
 and the evil done on our behalf.
 Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
 through our Savior Jesus Christ,
 that we may abide in your love
 and serve only your will. Amen.***

The Minister says

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all your sins through the grace of 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 O God, make speed to save us.

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

***All Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
 as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.***

O Gracious Light *Phos hilaron* Read in unison

*O gracious light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!*

*Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*

*You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of Life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.*

Psalm 119:121-144 Read in unison

¹²¹*I have done what is just and right; *
do not deliver me to my oppressors.*

¹²²*Be surety for your servant's good; *
let not the proud oppress me.*

¹²³*My eyes have failed from watching for your salvation *
and for your righteous promise.*

¹²⁴*Deal with your servant according to your loving-kindness *
and teach me your statutes.*

¹²⁵*I am your servant; grant me understanding, *
that I may know your decrees.*

¹²⁶*It is time for you to act, O Lord, *
for they have broken your law.*

¹²⁷*Truly, I love your commandments *
more than gold and precious stones.*

¹²⁸*I hold all your commandments to be right for me; *
all paths of falsehood I abhor.*

¹²⁹*Your decrees are wonderful; *
therefore I obey them with all my heart.*

¹³⁰*When your word goes forth it gives light; *
it gives understanding to the simple.*

¹³¹*I open my mouth and pant; *
I long for your commandments.*

¹³²*Turn to me in mercy, *
as you always do to those who love your Name.*

¹³³*Steady my footsteps in your word; **
let no iniquity have dominion over me.
¹³⁴*Rescue me from those who oppress me, **
and I will keep your commandments.
¹³⁵*Let your countenance shine upon your servant **
and teach me your statutes.
¹³⁶*My eyes shed streams of tears, **
because people do not keep your law.

¹³⁷*You are righteous, O Lord, **
and ¹³⁸*You have issued your decrees **
with justice and in perfect faithfulness.
¹³⁹*My indignation has consumed me, **
because my enemies forget your words.
¹⁴⁰*Your word has been tested to the uttermost, **
and your servant holds it dear.
¹⁴¹*I am small and of little account, **
yet I do not forget your commandments.
¹⁴²*Your justice is an everlasting justice **
and your law is the truth.
¹⁴³*Trouble and distress have come upon me, **
yet your commandments are my delight.
¹⁴⁴*The righteousness of your decrees is everlasting; **
grant me understanding, that I may live.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

The First Lesson *John 4:1-26*

¹Now when Jesus learned that the Pharisees had heard, 'Jesus is making and baptizing more disciples than John' ²although it was not Jesus himself but his disciples who baptized ³he left Judea and started back to Galilee. ⁴But he had to go through Samaria. ⁵So he came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

⁷A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'. ⁸(His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, 'How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?' (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, 'If you knew the

gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, “Give me a drink”, you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water.’ ¹¹The woman said to him, ‘Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? ¹²Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?’ ¹³Jesus said to her, ‘Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life.’ ¹⁵The woman said to him, ‘Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.’

¹⁶Jesus said to her, ‘Go, call your husband, and come back.’ ¹⁷The woman answered him, ‘I have no husband.’ Jesus said to her, ‘You are right in saying, “I have no husband”; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!’ ¹⁹The woman said to him, ‘Sir, I see that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our ancestors worshipped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem.’ ²¹Jesus said to her, ‘Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshippers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth.’ ²⁵The woman said to him, ‘I know that Messiah is coming’ (who is called Christ). ‘When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us.’ ²⁶Jesus said to her, ‘I am he, the one who is speaking to you.’

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Song of Simeon *Nunc Dimittis* *Luke 2:29-32* *Read in unison*

*Lord, you now have set your servant free
to go in peace as you have promised;
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior,
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
A Light to enlighten the nations,
and the glory of your people Israel.*

*Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.*

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.

*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.*

That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,
We entreat you, O Lord.

That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in the communion of St. David and all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,
We entreat you, O Lord.

A Collect for Peace

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgements, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior. ***Amen.***

A Collect for the Presence of Christ

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. ***Amen.***

A Collect for Mission

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. ***Amen.***

I bid your prayers for yourselves and others.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

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.

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. ***Amen.***