Daily Evening Prayer: Rite One

December 1, 2020 Tuesday in the First Week of Advent The Feast of Nicholas Ferrar

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant O God, make speed to save us. People O Lord, make haste to help us.

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 for ever. Amen. Alleluia.

O Gracious Light Phos hilaron

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 thy praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Thou art 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 10 *Ut quid, Domine?*

- 1 Why do you stand so far off, O LORD, * and hide yourself in time of trouble?
- 2 The wicked arrogantly persecute the poor, * but they are trapped in the schemes they have devised.
- 3 The wicked boast of their heart's desire; * the covetous curse and revile the LORD.
- 4 The wicked are so proud that they care not for God; * their only thought is, "God does not matter."

- 5 Their ways are devious at all times; your judgments are far above out of their sight; * they defy all their enemies.
- 6 They say in their heart, "I shall not be shaken; * no harm shall happen to me ever."
- 7 Their mouth is full of cursing, deceit, and oppression; * under their tongue are mischief and wrong.
- 8 They lurk in ambush in public squares and in secret places they murder the innocent; * they spy out the helpless.
- 9 They lie in wait, like a lion in a covert; they lie in wait to seize upon the lowly; * they seize the lowly and drag them away in their net.
- 10 The innocent are broken and humbled before them; * the helpless fall before their power.
- 11 They say in their heart, "God has forgotten; * he hides his face; he will never notice."
- 12 Rise up, O LORD; lift up your hand, O God; * do not forget the afflicted.
- 13 Why should the wicked revile God? *
 why should they say in their heart, "You do not care"?
- 14 Surely, you behold trouble and misery; * you see it and take it into your own hand.
- 15 The helpless commit themselves to you, * for you are the helper of orphans.
- 16 Break the power of the wicked and evil; * search out their wickedness until you find none.

- 17 The LORD is King for ever and ever; * the ungodly shall perish from his land.
- 18 The LORD will hear the desire of the humble; * you will strengthen their heart and your ears shall hear;
- 19 To give justice to the orphan and oppressed, * so that mere mortals may strike terror no more.

Psalm 11 In Domino confido

- 1 In the LORD have I taken refuge; * how then can you say to me, "Fly away like a bird to the hilltop;
- 2 For see how the wicked bend the bow and fit their arrows to the string, * to shoot from ambush at the true of heart.
- 3 When the foundations are being destroyed, * what can the righteous do?"
- 4 The LORD is in his holy temple; * the LORD'S throne is in heaven.
- 5 His eyes behold the inhabited world; * his piercing eye weighs our worth.
- 6 The LORD weighs the righteous as well as the wicked, * but those who delight in violence he abhors.
- 7 Upon the wicked he shall rain coals of fire and burning sulphur; * a scorching wind shall be their lot.
- 8 For the LORD is righteous; he delights in righteous deeds; * and the just shall see his face.

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.

The Lessons

Officiant A Reading from the Book of Isaiah
Chapter 1 verses 21 through 32

How the faithful city has become a harlot, she that was full of justice! Righteousness lodged in her, but now murderers. Your silver has become dross, your wine mixed with water. Your princes are rebels and companions of thieves. Every one loves a bribe and runs after gifts. They do not defend the fatherless, and the widow's cause does not come to them. Therefore the Lord says, the LORD of hosts, the Mighty One of Israel: "Ah, I will vent my wrath on my enemies, and avenge myself on my foes. I will turn my hand against you and will smelt away your dross as with lye and remove all your alloy. And I will restore your judges as at the first, and your counselors as at the beginning. Afterward you shall be called the city of righteousness, the faithful city." Zion shall be redeemed by justice, and those in her who repent, by righteousness. But rebels and sinners shall be destroyed together, and those who forsake the LORD shall be consumed. For you shall be ashamed of the oaks in which you delighted; and you shall blush for the gardens which you have chosen. For you shall be like an oak whose leaf withers, and like a garden without water. And the strong shall become tow, and his work a spark, and both of them shall burn together, with none to quench them.

Officiant The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

The Song of Mary Magnificat

Luke 1:46-55

My soul doth magnify the Lord, * and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Savior. For he hath regarded * the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold from henceforth * all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me, * and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him * throughout all generations. He hath showed strength with his arm; * he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat. * and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things, * and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, *

as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed for ever.

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.

Officiant A Reading from the Gospel of Luke

Chapter 20 verses 9 through 18

⁹ And he began to tell the people this parable: "A man planted a vineyard, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰ When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, that they should give him some of the fruit of the vineyard; but the tenants beat him, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹ And he sent another servant; him also they beat and treated shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹² And he sent yet a third; this one they wounded and cast out. ¹³ Then the owner of the vineyard said, 'What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; it may be they will respect him.' ¹⁴ But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.' ¹⁵ And they cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶ He will come and destroy those tenants, and give the vineyard to others." When they heard this, they said, "God forbid!" ¹⁷ But he looked at them and said, "What then is this that is written: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner'? ¹⁸ Every one who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces; but when it falls on any one it will crush him."

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The Song of Simeon Nunc dimittis

Luke 2:29-32

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, *
according to thy word;
For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, *
which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, *
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.

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.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost, 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 with thy spirit.

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 B

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

That thy holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,

We entreat thee, O Lord.

That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,

We entreat thee, O Lord.

That there may be peace to thy Church and to the whole world.

We entreat thee. O Lord.

That we may depart this life in thy faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,

We entreat thee. O Lord.

That we may be bound together by thy Holy Spirit in the communion of [______ and] all thy saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ, *We entreat thee, O Lord.*

The Officiant then says one or more Collects

Collect of the Day

Lord God, make us worthy of thy perfect love; that, with thy deacon Nicholar Ferrar and his household, we may rule ourselves according to thy Word, and serve thee with our whole heart; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

A Collect for Aid Against Perils on p. 70

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. *Amen*.

A Collect for Mission on p. 71

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give thine 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 thy love's sake. *Amen*.

A Collect for the Unity of the Human Family

O God, thou hast made us in thine own image and redeemed us through thy Son Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace: Give us grace seriously to lay to heart the great dangers we are in by our unhappy and unjust divisions; look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; and work through our struggles and confusion to accomplish thy purposes on earth; that we may be united in one holy bond of truth, and justice, peace, and love; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Officiant then bids personal prayers. After a moment of silence:

Officiant Lord in thy mercy All Hear our prayer.

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.
All Thanks be to God.

Officiant 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