

# Daily Evening Prayer: Rite One

*Tuesday August 4, 2020*

## 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.

## **Psalms 78: Part II** *Quoties exacerbaverunt*

40 How often the people disobeyed him in the wilderness \*  
and offended him in the desert!

41 Again and again they tempted God \*  
and provoked the Holy One of Israel.

42 They did not remember his power \*  
in the day when he ransomed them from the enemy;

43 How he wrought his signs in Egypt \*  
and his omens in the field of Zoan.

44 He turned their rivers into blood, \*  
so that they could not drink of their streams.

- 45 He sent swarms of flies among them, which ate them up, \*  
and frogs, which destroyed them.
- 46 He gave their crops to the caterpillar, \*  
the fruit of their toil to the locust.
- 47 He killed their vines with hail \*  
and their sycamores with frost.
- 48 He delivered their cattle to hailstones \*  
and their livestock to hot thunderbolts.
- 49 He poured out upon them his blazing anger: \*  
fury, indignation, and distress,  
a troop of destroying angels.
- 50 He gave full rein to his anger;  
he did not spare their souls from death; \*  
but delivered their lives to the plague.
- 51 He struck down all the firstborn of Egypt, \*  
the flower of manhood in the dwellings of Ham.
- 52 He led out his people like sheep \*  
and guided them in the wilderness like a flock.
- 53 He led them to safety, and they were not afraid; \*  
but the sea overwhelmed their enemies.
- 54 He brought them to his holy land, \*  
the mountain his right hand had won.
- 55 He drove out the Canaanites before them  
and apportioned an inheritance to them by lot; \*  
he made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents.
- 56 But they tested the Most High God, and defied him, \*  
and did not keep his commandments.

57 They turned away and were disloyal like their fathers; \*  
they were undependable like a warped bow.

58 They grieved him with their hill-altars \*  
they provoked his displeasure with their idols.

59 When God heard this, he was angry \*  
and utterly rejected Israel.

60 He forsook the shrine at Shiloh, \*  
the tabernacle where he had lived among his people.

61 He delivered the ark into captivity, \*  
his glory into the adversary's hand.

62 He gave his people to the sword \*  
and was angered against his inheritance.

63 The fire consumed their young men; \*  
there were no wedding songs for their maidens.

64 Their priests fell by the sword, \*  
and their widows made no lamentation.

65 Then the LORD woke as though from sleep, \*  
like a warrior refreshed with wine.

66 He struck his enemies on the backside \*  
and put them to perpetual shame.

67 He rejected the tent of Joseph \*  
and did not choose the tribe of Ephraim;

68 He chose instead the tribe of Judah \*  
and Mount Zion, which he loved.

69 He built his sanctuary like the heights of heaven, \*  
like the earth which he founded for ever.

70 He chose David his servant, \*  
and took him away from the sheepfolds.

71 He brought him from following the ewes, \*  
to be a shepherd over Jacob his people  
and over Israel his inheritance.

72 So he shepherded them with a faithful and true heart \*  
and guided them with the skillfulness of his hands.

*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 Judges  
                            *Chapter 7 verses 1 through 18*

7 Then Jerubba'al (that is, Gideon) and all the people who were with him rose early and encamped beside the spring of Harod; and the camp of Mid'ian was north of them, by the hill of Moreh, in the valley.

2 The LORD said to Gideon, "The people with you are too many for me to give the Mid'ianites into their hand, lest Israel vaunt themselves against me, saying, 'My own hand has delivered me.' 3 Now therefore proclaim in the ears of the people, saying, 'Whoever is fearful and trembling, let him return home.'" And Gideon tested them;<sup>[a]</sup> twenty-two thousand returned, and ten thousand remained.

4 And the LORD said to Gideon, "The people are still too many; take them down to the water and I will test them for you there; and he of whom I say to you, 'This man shall go with you,' shall go with you; and any of whom I say to you, 'This man shall not go with you,' shall not go." 5 So he brought the people down to the water; and the LORD said to Gideon, "Every one that lapped the water with his tongue, as a dog laps, you shall set by himself; likewise every one that kneels down to drink." 6 And the number of those that lapped, putting their hands to their mouths, was three hundred men; but all the rest of the people knelt down to drink water. 7 And the LORD said to Gideon, "With the three hundred men that lapped I will deliver you, and give the Mid'ianites into your hand; and let all the others go every man to his home." 8 So he took the jars of the people from their hands,<sup>[b]</sup> and their trumpets; and he sent all the rest of Israel every man to his tent, but retained the three hundred men; and the camp of Mid'ian was below him in the valley.

9 That same night the LORD said to him, "Arise, go down against the camp; for I have given it into your hand. 10 But if you fear to go down, go down to the camp with Purah your servant; 11 and you shall hear what they say, and afterward your hands shall be

strengthened to go down against the camp.” Then he went down with Purah his servant to the outposts of the armed men that were in the camp. <sup>12</sup> And the Mid’ianites and the Amal’ekites and all the people of the East lay along the valley like locusts for multitude; and their camels were without number, as the sand which is upon the seashore for multitude. <sup>13</sup> When Gideon came, behold, a man was telling a dream to his comrade; and he said, “Behold, I dreamed a dream; and lo, a cake of barley bread tumbled into the camp of Mid’ian, and came to the tent, and struck it so that it fell, and turned it upside down, so that the tent lay flat.” <sup>14</sup> And his comrade answered, “This is no other than the sword of Gideon the son of Jo’ash, a man of Israel; into his hand God has given Mid’ian and all the host.”

<sup>15</sup> When Gideon heard the telling of the dream and its interpretation, he worshiped; and he returned to the camp of Israel, and said, “Arise; for the LORD has given the host of Mid’ian into your hand.” <sup>16</sup> And he divided the three hundred men into three companies, and put trumpets into the hands of all of them and empty jars, with torches inside the jars. <sup>17</sup> And he said to them, “Look at me, and do likewise; when I come to the outskirts of the camp, do as I do. <sup>18</sup> When I blow the trumpet, I and all who are with me, then blow the trumpets also on every side of all the camp, and shout, ‘For the LORD and for Gideon.’”

<i>Officiant</i>	The Word of the Lord.
<i>People</i>	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 John  
                         *Chapter 1 verses 19 through 28*

<sup>19</sup> And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" <sup>20</sup> He confessed, he did not deny, but confessed, "I am not the Christ." <sup>21</sup> And they asked him, "What then? Are you Eli'jah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" And he answered, "No." <sup>22</sup> They said to him then, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" <sup>23</sup> He said, "I am the voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make straight the way of the Lord,' as the prophet Isaiah said."

<sup>24</sup> Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. <sup>25</sup> They asked him, "Then why are you baptizing, if you are neither the Christ, nor Eli'jah, nor the prophet?" <sup>26</sup> John answered them, "I baptize with water; but among you stands one whom you do not know, <sup>27</sup> even he who comes after me, the thong of whose sandal I am not worthy to untie." <sup>28</sup> This took place in Bethany beyond the Jordan, where John was baptizing.

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

**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 on p 180

O Lord, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and  
defend thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety  
without thy succor, preserve it evermore by thy help and  
goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and  
reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and  
ever. *Amen.*

hA 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*