

# Daily Evening Prayer: Rite One

*Tuesday, February 9, 2021*

## 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 Isaiah  
                            *Chapter 59 verses 1 through 15a*

Behold, the LORD's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save, or his ear dull, that it cannot hear; but your iniquities have made a separation between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you so that he does not hear. For your hands are defiled with blood and your fingers with iniquity; your lips have spoken lies, your tongue mutters wickedness. No one enters suit justly, no one goes to law honestly; they rely on empty pleas, they speak lies, they conceive mischief and bring forth iniquity. They hatch adders' eggs, they weave the spider's web; he who eats their eggs dies, and from one which is crushed a viper is hatched. Their webs will not serve as clothing; men will not cover themselves with what they make. Their works are works of iniquity, and deeds of violence are in their hands. Their feet run to evil, and they make haste to shed innocent blood; their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity, desolation and destruction are in their highways. The way of peace they know not, and there is no justice in their paths; they have made their roads crooked, no one who goes in them knows peace. Therefore justice is far from us, and righteousness does not overtake us; we look for light, and behold, darkness, and for brightness, but we walk in gloom. We grope for the wall like the blind, we grope like those who have no eyes; we stumble at noon as in the twilight, among those in full vigor we are like dead men. We all growl like bears, we moan and moan like doves; we look for justice, but there is none; for salvation, but it is far from us. For our transgressions are multiplied before thee, and our sins testify against us; for our transgressions are with us, and we know our iniquities: transgressing, and denying the LORD, and turning away from following our God, speaking oppression and revolt, conceiving and uttering from the heart lying words. Justice is turned back, and righteousness stands afar off; for truth has fallen in the public squares, and uprightness cannot enter. Truth is lacking, and he who departs from evil makes himself a prey.

*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 Mark  
                            *Chapter 9 verses 42 through 50*

“Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in me to sin, it would be better for him if a great millstone were hung round his neck and he were thrown into the sea. And if your hand causes you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than with two hands to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to sin, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than with two feet to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than with two eyes to be thrown into hell, where their worm does not die, and the fire is not quenched. For every one will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if the salt has lost its saltiness, how will you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.”

*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**

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins and give us, we beseech thee, the liberty of that abundant life which thou hast manifested to us in thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

#### **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.*