

**Morning Prayer: Rite Two**  
**Monday, March 25, 2024**  
**Monday in Holy Week**

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*Officiant 1* 'Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights,' says the Lord; 'I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations.'  
*Isaiah 42:1*

*Officiant 2* Jesus said, "If anyone will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me."  
*Mark 8:34*

**Confession of Sin**

*Officiant 1* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence*

*Officiant 1* 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.

*Officiant 2* 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.

**The Invitatory and Psalter**

*Officiant 1* Lord, open our lips.

*Officiant 2* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

*Officiant 1* Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:

*Officiant 2* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

*Officiant 1* The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:

*Officiant 2* Come let us adore him.

**Venite** *Psalm 95:1-7 Said responsively breaking at the half verse*

Come let us sing to the Lord; \*

**let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \*

**and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

For the Lord is a great God, \*

**and a great King above all gods.**

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \*

**and the heights of the hills are his also.**

The sea is his, for he made it, \*

**and his hands have molded the dry land.**

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \*

**and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.\*

**Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

*Officiant 1* The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:

*Officiant 2* Come let us adore him.

**Psalm 36:5-11**

*Said responsively breaking at the half verse*

Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, \*

**and your faithfulness to the clouds.**

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,  
your justice like the great deep; \*

**you save both man and beast, O Lord.**

How priceless is your love, O God! \*

**your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.**

They feast upon the abundance of your house; \*

**you give them drink from the river of your delights.**

For with you is the well of life, \*

**and in your light we see light.**

Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, \*

**and your favor to those who are true of heart.**

Let not the foot of the proud come near me, \*

**nor the hand of the wicked push me aside.**

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 1* **A Reading from the Prophet Isaiah**

*Isaiah 42:1-9*

Here is my servant, whom I uphold, my chosen, in whom my soul delights; I have put my spirit upon him; he will bring forth justice to the nations. He will not cry or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street; a bruised reed he will not break, and a dimly burning wick he will not quench; he will faithfully bring forth justice. He will not grow faint or be crushed until he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his teaching.

Thus says God, the Lord, who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and what comes from it, who gives breath to the people upon it and spirit to those who walk in it: I am the Lord, I have called you in righteousness, I have taken you by the hand and kept you; I have given you as a covenant to the people, a light to the nations, to open the eyes that are blind, to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness. I am the Lord, that is my name; my glory I give to no other, nor my praise to idols. See, the former things have come to pass, and new things I now declare; before they spring forth, I tell you of them.

*Officiant 1* The Word of the Lord

*Officiant 2* Thanks be to God

Canticle **A Song of the Wilderness**

*Isaiah 35:1-7,10*

*Said responsively breaking at the half verse*

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, \*

**the desert shall rejoice and blossom;**

It shall blossom abundantly, \*

**and rejoice with joy and singing.**

They shall see the glory of the Lord, \*

**the majesty of our God.**

Strengthen the weary hands, \*

**and make firm the feeble knees.**

Say to the anxious, "Be strong, do not fear! \*

**Here is your God, coming with judgment to save you."**

Then shall the eyes of the blind be opened, \*

**and the ears of the deaf be unstopped.**

Then shall the lame leap like a deer, \*

**and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy.**

For waters shall break forth in the wilderness \*

**and streams in the desert;**

The burning sand shall become a pool \*

**and the thirsty ground, springs of water.**

The ransomed of God shall return with singing, \*

**with everlasting joy upon their heads.**

Joy and gladness shall be theirs, \*

**and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.**

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 2 **A Reading from the Gospel according to John**

*John 12:1-11*

Six days before the Passover Jesus came to Bethany, the home of Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. There they gave a dinner for him. Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at the table with him. Mary took a pound of costly perfume made of pure nard, anointed Jesus' feet, and wiped them with her hair. The house was filled with the fragrance of the perfume. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (the one who was about to betray him), said, "Why was this perfume not sold for three hundred denarii and the money given to the poor?" (He said this not because he cared about the poor, but because he was a thief; he kept the common purse and used to steal what was put into it.) Jesus said, "Leave her alone. She bought it so that she might keep it for the day of my burial. You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well, since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.

Officiant 2 The Word of the Lord

Officiant 1 Thanks be to God

## The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant 1*

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 2* The Lord be with you.

*Officiant 1* And also with you.

*Officiant 2* 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.

## Suffrages A

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;

R. **And grant us your salvation.**

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

R. **Let your people sing with joy.**

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**

V. Let your way be known upon earth;

R. **Your saving health among all nations.**

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. **And sustain us by your Holy Spirit.**

*Officiant 1* Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

*The Collect of the Day*

*Officiant 2* Jesus the anointed, teach us to honour those who need our help, and we shall give without condescension, and receive with humility. Hear this prayer for your love's sake. Amen.

*The Collect of the Day, A New Zealand Prayerbook*

*Officiant 1* O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*A Collect for the Renewal of Life*

*Officiant 2* Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

*Prayer for Mission*

### **The Peace and Greetings**

*Officiant 2* The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

*Officiant 1* **And also with you**

The worshippers exchange the Peace and greet one another.

*One of the Officiants prays Thanksgivings and Intercessions shared in Chat.*

### **Closing Prayers**

*Officiant 2* Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

*The General Thanksgiving*

*Officiant 1* 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.

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom*

*Officiant 1* Let us bless the Lord.

*Officiant 2* Thanks be to God.

*Officiant 1* The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen.

*2 Corinthians 13:14*