



St. Luke's Episcopal Church

Where all are welcome at the Lord's table

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Daily Morning Prayer: Rite Two

The people's responses are in bold.

Prelude

Adagio from Sonata Op. 65, No. 1

Felix Mendelssohn

I was glad when they said to me," Let us go to the house of the Lord." *Psalm 122:1*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Officiant and People

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.

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Officiant Lord, open our lips.
People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

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.

Officiant Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:
People **Come let us adore him.**

Jubilate *Psalm 100*

Officiant and People
**Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song**

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

**For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

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People **Come let us adore him.**

Anthem

Praise him all you little children

Traditional

The Angel Choir

from Sunday morning, January 26, 2020

THE LESSONS

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah 20:7-13.

O LORD, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the LORD has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the LORD is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O LORD of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the LORD; praise the LORD! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 12 A Song of Creation *Benedicite, omnia opera Domini*

Song of the Three Young Men, 35-65

Glorify the Lord, all you works of the Lord, *

praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, *

praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Let the earth glorify the Lord, *

praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O mountains and hills,

and all that grows upon the earth, *

praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

Glorify the Lord, O springs of water, seas, and streams, *

O whales and all that move in the waters.

All birds of the air, glorify the Lord, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Glorify the Lord, O beasts of the wild, *
and all you flocks and herds.
O men and women everywhere, glorify the Lord, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
Let us glorify the Lord: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.
In the firmament of his power, glorify the Lord, *
praise him and highly exalt him for ever.

A Reading from the Epistle of Paul to the Romans 6:1b-11.

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Anthem

How can I keep from singing
from May 19, 2019 concert

American Hymn
arr. Jeffrey Honoré

A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew 10:24-39.

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

“So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

“Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

“Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one’s foes will be members of one’s own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Sermon

The Rev. Timothy T. Rich

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.

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 with your Holy Spirit.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your lovingkindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart and especially the hearts of the people of this land, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Prayers of the People

Deacon O Lord our God: you hear our prayers before we speak, and answer before we know our need. May your Spirit pray in us, drawing us to you and toward our neighbors.

We pray for the whole creation: may all things work together for good, until, by your design, your children inherit the earth and order it wisely. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the Church of Jesus Christ; that prompted by your Spirit, it may be true, engaging, and active in doing your will. We pray for Michael our presiding bishop, Nicholas our bishop, and for the clergy and lay staff of our parish. We join with communities throughout this diocese and pray for the campers, counselors and staff of the Episcopal Conference Center, recognizing their disappointment and asking for your blessing upon their summer season, whatever it might bring, that they may never lose heart and have all hope encouraged. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for peace in the world. Disarm weapons, silence guns, and put out ancient hate that smolders still or flames in sudden conflict. Empower those who govern, especially Donald our president and Gina our governor, to make, administer, and judge our laws with equity, justice, and mercy. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those members of this community who serve our country in the armed forces. Following Christ's command we pray for our enemies, recognizing that they too are children of God. May we be kept from infectious hate or desire for vengeance. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the whole world in the face of the coronavirus pandemic, and we pray for our nation in the aftermath of George Floyd's death. For all of humanity that we might be relieved of anxiety, fear, and hardness of heart. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those who are hungry, who are housed in cramped places, who struggle to find access to basic human needs, particularly for those who are clothed and fed by our outreach ministries. Increase in us, and all who prosper, concern for the disinherited. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those who suffer pain and cry out for healing: for Aimee Welch, Sue Tingle, Margaret Pinney, James Rugliano, Piero, Shirley Monks, Joan Ruberg, Natalie Cockrell, Bud Cockrell, Margaret Poole, Julian, Brayden Mossey, Larry Baxter, Steve, Leo, Anne, Brian Larkin, Henry Gorko, Helen, Rell, Roz, Baby A & Family, Elaine James, Don, Carolyn H., Maureen Lorenzo, Liz McClintick, Thomas Shiel, Theresa Deiter, Patsy Tracey, Kim Knoll, Dorothy, Thomas Knoll, Rita, Sherry Anderson, Ashley Knoll, Samantha Simas, Erica North and Norma, may they know the healing power of God's love. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who have died and those who will die this week: may they enjoy light, keep dignity, and greet death unafraid. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

Finally, we pray for the choristers in the Angel, St. Cecilia and Canterbury choirs. We give thanks for the beauty our choirs bring to our worship and community life, and during this pandemic, we pray for the time when it is safe to return to choral singing. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for people everywhere: may they come into their own as children of God, and inherit the kingdom prepared in Jesus Christ, the Lord of all, and Saviour of the world. God of love, **hear our prayer.**

Deacon Hear our prayers, almighty God, in the name of Jesus Christ, who prays with us and for us, to whom be praise forever. **Amen.**

A Father's Day Prayer

Gracious God, we call You so many things, including Abba, Father:

We ask that you bless those fathers who have striven to balance the demands of work, marriage, and children with an honest awareness of both joy and sacrifice. We ask that you bless those fathers who by their own account were not always there for their children, but who continue to offer those children, now grown, their love and support. Let us pray for all fathers who continue to deepen their understanding of fatherhood and their relationships with their children. **Abba, please bless them.**

We ask that you bless those fathers who, despite divorce, have remained in their children's lives. Bless too those fathers who, as stepfathers, have freely chosen the obligation of fatherhood and earned their step children's love and respect. And let us praise those fathers whose children are adopted, and whose love and support has offered healing. **Abba, please bless them.**

We ask that you bless those men who have no children, but cherish the next generation as if they were their own. **Abba, please bless them.**

We ask that you bless those men who have "fathered" us in their role as mentors and guides. **Abba, please bless them.**

We ask that you bless those men who are about to become fathers; may they openly delight in their children. **Abba, please bless them.**

Finally, let us pray especially for those fathers who have lost a child to death, and continue to hold the child in their heart and let us give thanks for those fathers who have died, but live on in our memory and whose love continues to nurture us.

To You, our gracious Father, we pray. Amen.

(Author unknown)

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People 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. Ephesians 3:20, 21*

Closing Hymn 420



1 When in our mu - sic God is glo - ri - fied, _____
 2 How of - ten, mak - ing mu - sic, we have found _____
 3 So has the Church, in lit - ur - gy and song, _____
 4 And did not Je - sus sing a psalm that night _____
 5 Let ev - ery in - stru - ment be tuned for praise! _____



1 and a - dor - a - tion leaves no room for pride, _____
 2 a new di - men - sion in the world of sound, _____
 3 in faith and love, through cen - tu - ries of wrong, _____
 4 when ut - most e - vil strove a - gainst the Light? _____
 5 Let all re - joice who have a voice to raise! _____



1 it is as though the whole cre - a - tion cried _____
 2 as wor - ship moved us to a more pro - found _____
 3 borne wit - ness to the truth in ev - ery tongue, _____
 4 Then let us sing, for whom he won the fight, _____
 5 And may God give us faith to sing al - ways _____



— Al - le - lu - ia! — Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

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Participants

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Third Reading	Mike Grady
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