



Maundy Thursday

Maundy Thursday, April 9, 2020

8:00 a.m.

MORNING PRAYER: RITE II

The Service begins on page 75 of The Book of Common Prayer.

PREPARATION FOR THE OFFICE

The Opening Sentences for Holy Week

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way;
and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. *Isaiah 53: 6*

Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by? Look and see if there is any sorrow
like my sorrow which was brought upon me, whom the Lord has afflicted. *Lamentations 1: 12*

A Confession and Absolution

Priest: Let us humbly confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All: **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.**

Priest: 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.

All: **Amen.**

INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Priest: O Lord, open our lips.

People: **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All: **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.**

All: **The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: Come let us adore him.**

Psalm 95: 1-11 (*Venite, Recited by whole verse*)

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Priest: 1 Come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

People: 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

3 For the Lord is a great God,
and a great King above all gods.

4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth,
and the heights of the hills are his also.

5 The sea is his, for he made it,
and his hands have molded the dry land.

- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
- 7 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!
- 8 Harden not your hearts,
as your forebears did in the wilderness,
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,
when they tempted me.
- 9 They put me to the test,
though they had seen my works.
- 10 Forty years long I detested that generation and said,
“This people are wayward in their hearts;
they do not know my ways.”
- 11 So I swore in my wrath,
“They shall not enter into my rest.”

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Psalm 102 (*Recited by whole verse*)

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- 1 Lord, hear my prayer, and let my cry come before you;
hide not your face from me in the day of my trouble.
- 2 Incline your ear to me;
when I call, make haste to answer me,
- 3 For my days drift away like smoke,
and my bones are hot as burning coals.
- 4 My heart is smitten like grass and withered,
so that I forget to eat my bread.
- 5 Because of the voice of my groaning
I am but skin and bones.
- 6 I have become like a vulture in the wilderness,
like an owl among the ruins.
- 7 I lie awake and groan;
I am like a sparrow, lonely on a house-top.
- 8 My enemies revile me all day long,
and those who scoff at me have taken an oath against me.
- 9 For I have eaten ashes for bread
and mingled my drink with weeping.
- 10 Because of your indignation and wrath
you have lifted me up and thrown me away.
- 11 My days pass away like a shadow,
and I wither like the grass.

- 12 But you, O Lord, endure for ever,
and your Name from age to age.
- 13 You will arise and have compassion on Zion,
for it is time to have mercy upon her;
indeed, the appointed time has come.
- 14 For your servants love her very rubble,
and are moved to pity even for her dust.
- 15 The nations shall fear your Name, O Lord,
and all the kings of the earth your glory.
- 16 For the Lord will build up Zion,
and his glory will appear.
- 17 He will look with favor on the prayer of the homeless;
he will not despise their plea.
- 18 Let this be written for a future generation,
so that a people yet unborn may praise the Lord.
- 19 For the Lord looked down from his holy place on high;
from the heavens he beheld the earth;
- 20 That he might hear the groan of the captive
and set free those condemned to die;
- 21 That they may declare in Zion the Name of the Lord,
and his praise in Jerusalem;
- 22 When the peoples are gathered together,
and the kingdoms also, to serve the Lord.
- 23 He has brought down my strength before my time;
he has shortened the number of my days;
- 24 And I said, "O my God,
do not take me away in the midst of my days;
your years endure throughout all generations.
- 25 In the beginning, O Lord, you laid the foundations of the earth,
and the heavens are the work of your hands;
- 26 They shall perish, but you will endure;
they all shall wear out like a garment;
as clothing you will change them,
and they shall be changed;
- 27 But you are always the same,
and your years will never end.
- 28 The children of your servants shall continue,
and their offspring shall stand fast in your sight."

All: **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

THE LESSONS

Reader: A Reading from The Book of Lamentations. (2: 10-18)

The elders of daughter Zion sit on the ground in silence; they have thrown dust on their heads and put on sackcloth; the young girls of Jerusalem have bowed their heads to the ground. My eyes are spent with weeping; my stomach churns; my bile is poured out on the ground because of the destruction of my people, because infants and babes faint in the streets of the city. They cry to their mothers, "Where is bread and wine?" as they faint like the wounded in the streets of the city, as their life is poured out on their mothers' bosom. What can I say for you, to what compare you, O daughter Jerusalem? To what can I liken you, that I may comfort you, O virgin daughter Zion? For vast as the sea is your ruin; who can heal you? Your prophets have seen for you false and deceptive visions; they have not exposed your iniquity to restore your fortunes, but have seen oracles for you that are false and misleading. All who pass along the way clap their hands at you; they hiss and wag their heads at daughter Jerusalem; "Is this the city that was called the perfection of beauty, the joy of all the earth?" All your enemies open their mouths against you; they hiss, they gnash their teeth, they cry: "We have devoured her! Ah, this is the day we longed for; at last we have seen it!" The Lord has done what he purposed, he has carried out his threat; as he ordained long ago, he has demolished without pity; he has made the enemy rejoice over you, and exalted the might of your foes. Cry aloud to the Lord! O wall of daughter Zion! Let tears stream down like a torrent day and night! Give yourself no rest, your eyes no respite!

Reader: Here ends the reading.

Canticle 8 (*The Song of Moses, Exodus 15: 1-6, 11-13, 17-18, Recited by whole verse*)

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I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted;
the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.
The Lord is my strength and my refuge;
the Lord has become my Savior.
This is my God and I will praise him,
the God of my people and I will exalt him.
The Lord is a mighty warrior;
Yahweh is his Name.
The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea;
the finest of those who bear armor have been drowned in the Red Sea.
The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them;
they sank into the depths like a stone.
Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might;
your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy.
Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods?
who is like you, glorious in holiness,
awesome in renown, and worker of wonders?
You stretched forth your right hand;
the earth swallowed them up.
With your constant love you led the people you redeemed;
with your might you brought them in safety to your holy dwelling.
You will bring them in and plant them
on the mount of your possession,
The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord,
the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established.
The Lord shall reign
for ever and for ever.

**All: 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.**

Reader: A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians. (10: 14-17, 11: 27-32)

Therefore, my dear friends, flee from the worship of idols. I speak as to sensible people; judge for yourselves what I say. The cup of blessing that we bless, is it not a sharing in the blood of Christ? The bread that we break, is it not a sharing in the body of Christ? Because there is one bread, we who are many are one body, for we all partake of the one bread. Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord. Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup. For all who eat and drink without discerning the body, eat and drink judgment against themselves. For this reason many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. But if we judged ourselves, we would not be judged. But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

Reader: Here ends the reading.

Canticle 19 (*The Song of the Redeemed, Revelation 15: 3-4, Recited by whole verse*)

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O ruler of the universe, Lord God,
great deeds are they that you have done,
surpassing human understanding.
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth,
O King of all the ages.

Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,
and sing the praises of your Name?
for you only are the Holy One.
All nations will draw near and fall down before you,
because your just and holy works have been revealed.

**All: 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 PRAYERS

The Lord's Prayer

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**All: 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.**

Priest: Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People: **And grant us your salvation.**
 Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
Let your people sing with joy.
 Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
For only in you can we live in safety.
 Lord, keep this nation under your care;
And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
 Let your way be known upon earth;
Your saving health among all nations.
 Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
 Create in us clean hearts, O God;
And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

The Collect of the Day – *Maundy Thursday*

Almighty Father, whose dear Son, on the night before he suffered, instituted the Sacrament of his Body and Blood: Mercifully grant that we may receive it thankfully in remembrance of Jesus Christ our Lord, who in these holy mysteries gives us a pledge of eternal life; and who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Collect for The Human Family

O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: 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; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers of Petition, Intercession and Thanksgiving

The Blessing

Priest: Let us bless the Lord.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Officiant may conclude with one of the following:

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

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**
Romans 15:13

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