

Episcopal Church



Evening Prayer, Rite II
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
in Holy Week 2020
Love with the heart of Christ,
Think with the mind of Christ,
Act in the world as the Body of Christ

### MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK

## **OPENING SENTENCE**

Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. *Psalm 141:2* 

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PSALM 36:5-11

5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, \* and your faithfulness to the clouds.

6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains, your justice like the great deep; \* you save both man and beast, O Lord.

7 How priceless is your love, O God! \* your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; \* you give them drink from the river of your delights.

9 For with you is the well of life, \* and in your light we see light.

10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, \* and your favor to those who are true of heart.

11 Let not the foot of the proud come near me, \* nor the hand of the wicked push me aside.

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## NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Hebrews 9:11-15

When Christ came as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation), he entered once for all into the Holy Place, not with the blood of goats and calves, but with his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption. For if the blood of goats and bulls, with the sprinkling of the ashes of a heifer, sanctifies those who have been defiled so that their flesh is purified, how much more will the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify our conscience from dead works to worship the living God!

For this reason he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, because a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions under the first covenant.

THE SONG OF MARY Magnificat

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; \* for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed: \* the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name. He has mercy on those who fear him \* in every generation. He has shown the strength of his arm, \* he has scattered the proud in their conceit. He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \* and has lifted up the lowly. He has filled the hungry with good things, \* and the rich he has sent away empty. He has come to the help of his servant Israel, \* for he has remembered his promise of mercy, The promise he made to our fathers, \* to Abraham and his children for ever.

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THE GOSPEL 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.

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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**.

## A COLLECT FOR PEACE

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgements, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior. *Amen*.

### A COLLECT FOR MISSION

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship you, all nations obey you, all tongues confess and bless you, and men and women everywhere love you and serve you in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

Intercessions and thanksgivings follow.

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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.

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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

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Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." *John 8:12* 

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PSALM 71:1-14

1 In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; \* let me never be ashamed. 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \* incline your ear to me and save me. 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \* you are my crag and my stronghold. 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \* from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor. 5 For you are my hope, O Lord God, \* my confidence since I was young. 6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb vou have been my strength; \* my praise shall be always of you. 7 I have become a portent to many; \* but you are my refuge and my strength. 8 Let my mouth be full of your praise \* and your glory all the day long. 9 Do not cast me off in my old age; \* forsake me not when my strength fails. 10 For my enemies are talking against me, \* and those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together. 11 They say, "God has forsaken him; go after him and seize him; \* because there is none who will save." 12 O God, be not far from me; \* come quickly to help me, O my God. 13 Let those who set themselves against me be put to shame and be disgraced; \* let those who seek to do me evil be covered with scorn and reproach. 14 But I shall always wait in patience, \* and shall praise you more and more.

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# NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart."

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

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THE GOSPEL John 12:20-36

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say-- `Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light."

After Jesus had said this, he departed and hid from them.

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O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen**.

### A COLLECT FOR PROTECTION

O God, the life of all who live, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labor, and the repose of the dead: We thank you for the blessings of the day that is past, and humbly ask for your protection through the coming night. Bring us in safety to the morning hours; through him who died and rose again for us, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen**.

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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

### WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK

## **OPENING SENTENCE**

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall. *Psalm 16:7,8* 

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PSALM Psalm 70

1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; \*
O Lord, make haste to help me.
2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed
and altogether dismayed; \*
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be disgraced.
3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, \*
because they are ashamed.
4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; \*
let those who love your salvation say for ever,
"Great is the Lord!"
5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; \*
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### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Hebrews 12:1-3

Since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Consider him who endured such hostility against himself from sinners, so that you may not grow weary or lose heart.

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At supper with his friends, Jesus was troubled in spirit, and declared, "Very truly, I tell you, one of you will betray me." The disciples looked at one another, uncertain of whom he was speaking. One of his disciples-- the one whom Jesus loved-- was reclining next to him; Simon Peter therefore motioned to him to ask Jesus of whom he was speaking. So while reclining next to Jesus, he asked him, "Lord, who is it?" Jesus answered, "It is the one to whom I give this piece of bread when I have dipped it in the dish." So when he had dipped the piece of bread, he gave it to Judas son of Simon Iscariot. After he received the piece of bread, Satan entered into him. Jesus said to him, "Do quickly what you are going to do." Now no one at the table knew why he said this to him. Some thought that, because Judas had the common purse, Jesus was telling him, "Buy what we need for the festival"; or, that he should give something to the poor. So, after receiving the piece of bread, he immediately went out. And it was night.

When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once."

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## A COLLECT FOR THE PRESENCE OF CHRIST

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed inScripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. **Amen**.

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*Ephesians 3:20,21*