

HOLY TRINITY

Episcopal Church



Seeking to **Love** with the heart of Christ, to **Think** with the mind of Christ and to **Act** in the world as the body of Christ.

Morning Prayer for Sunday, August 16, 2020

Rite Two

FLOWER DEDICATION

Flowers are given today to the glory of God by Ellen Haase in loving memory of her dear father, Robert A. Eddy.

PRELUDE

All Good Gifts

OPENING SENTENCE (BCP p. 78)

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him. *Habakkuk 2:20*

CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 79)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 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

VERSICLE (BCP p. 80)

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

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.

ANTIPHON (BCP p. 81)

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

INVITATORY S 36 Venite/Psalm 95 (MacFarren) (BCP p. 82)



- 1 Come, let us ^{sing} to the ^{Lord}; *
let us shout for joy to the ^{Rock} of ^{our} sal^{va}tion.
- 2 Let us come before his ^{presence} with thanks^{giving} *
and raise a loud^{shout} to ^{him} with ^{psalms}. [Ant.]
- 3 For the Lord is a ^{great} ^{God}, *
and a great ^{King} a ^{bove} 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. [Ant.]
- 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 to ^{day} you would ^{hearken} to his ^{voice}! [Ant.]

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Psalm 133 *Ecce, quam bonum!*

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



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- 1 Oh, how good and **pleasant it is**, *
when brethren live together in **unity!**
- 2 It is like fine oil upon the **head** *
that runs down upon the **beard**,
- 3 Upon the beard of **Aaron**, *
and runs down upon the collar of his **robe**.
- 4 It is like the dew of **Hermon** *
that falls upon the hills of **Zion**.
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- 5 For there the LORD has ordained the **blessing**: *
life for evermore.

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

FIRST READING: Romans 11:1-2a, 11-24, 29-32

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

¹I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. ²God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. Do you not know what the scripture says of Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel? ¹¹So I ask, have they stumbled so as to fall? By no means! But through their stumbling salvation has come to the Gentiles, so as to make Israel jealous. ¹²Now if their stumbling means riches for the world, and if their defeat means riches for Gentiles, how much more will their full inclusion mean!

¹³Now I am speaking to you Gentiles. Inasmuch then as I am an apostle to the Gentiles, I glorify

my ministry ¹⁴in order to make my own people jealous, and thus save some of them. ¹⁵For if their rejection is the reconciliation of the world, what will their acceptance be but life from the dead!

¹⁶If the part of the dough offered as first fruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; and if the root is holy, then the branches also are holy.

¹⁷But if some of the branches were broken off, and you, a wild olive shoot, were grafted in their place to share the rich root of the olive tree, ¹⁸do not boast over the branches. If you do boast, remember that it is not you that support the root, but the root that supports you. ¹⁹You will say, "Branches were broken off so that I might be grafted in." ²⁰That is true. They were broken off because of their unbelief, but you stand only through faith. So do not become proud, but stand in awe. ²¹For if God did not spare the natural branches, perhaps he will not spare you. ²²Note then the kindness and the severity of God: severity toward those who have fallen, but God's kindness toward you, provided you continue in his kindness; otherwise you also will be cut off. ²³And even those of Israel, if they do not persist in unbelief, will be grafted in, for God has the power to graft them in again. ²⁴For if you have been cut from what is by nature a wild olive tree and grafted, contrary to nature, into a cultivated olive tree, how much more will these natural branches be grafted back into their own olive tree.

²⁹for the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. ³⁰Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, ³¹so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. ³²For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

Reader Here ends the Reading.

The service continues with the Canticle on the following page.

(BCP p. 87)

Canticle 11: The Third Song of Isaiah

Refrain

A - rise, shine, for your light has come, his
glo - ry is up - on you.

Arise, shine, for your light has **come**, *
and the glory of the Lord has dawned **upon you**.
For behold, darkness covers the **land**; *
deep gloom enshrouds the **peoples**. *Refrain*

But over you the Lord shall **rise**, *
and his glory will appear **upon you**.
Nations will stream to your **light**, *
and kings to the brightness of your **dawning**. *Refrain*

Your gates will always be **open**; *
 by day or night they will never be **shut**.
 They will call you, The City of the **Lord**, *
 The Zion of the Holy One of **Israel**. *Refrain*

Violence will no more be heard in your **land**, *
 ruin or destruction within your **borders**.
 You will call your walls, **Salvation**, *
 and all your portals, **Praise**,

† The sun will no more be your light by **day**; *
 by night you will not need the brightness of the **moon**. *Refrain*

SECOND READING: Matthew 15: 21-28

A Reading from Matthew.

²¹Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. ²²Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." ²³But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." ²⁴He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." ²⁵But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." ²⁶He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." ²⁷She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." ²⁸Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

Reader Here ends the Reading.

(BCP p. 93)

Canticle 18: A Song to the Lamb

Introduction *Antiphon*

Splen - dor and hon - or and
 king - ly power are yours by right, — O Lord our God,
 1. Splen - dor and hon - or and king - ly power are yours by right, —

— O Lord our God, 2. For you cre - a - ted ev - ery - thing that
is, and by your will they were cre - a - ted and have their be - ing. [Ant.]

3. And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, for with your
blood you have re - deemed for God, 4. From ev - ery fam - ily, lan - guage,
peo - ple, and na - tion, a king - dom of priests to serve our God. [Ant.]

5. And so, to him who sits up - on the throne, and to Christ the Lamb, 6. Be
wor - ship and praise, do - min - ion and splen - dor, for ev - er and for ev - er - more.
[Ant.]

A REFLECTION

Deacon Noah Stansbury

THE APOSTLES' CREED (BCP p. 96)

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

SALUTATION (BCP p. 97)

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Officiant Let us pray.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (BCP p. 97)

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,
forever and ever. Amen.

SUFFRAGES (BCP p. 98)

V. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.
V. Day by day we bless you;
R. We praise your Name for ever.
V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;
R. Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.
V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;
R. For we put our trust in you.
V. In you, Lord, is our hope;
R. And we shall never hope in vain.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

A COLLECT FOR SUNDAYS (BCP P. 98)

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.*

PRAYER FOR MISSION (BCP p. 100)

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.*

HYMN *There's a wideness in God's mercy (Beecher)* (H 470)

1 There's a wide-ness in God's mer - cy like the wide-ness of the sea;
2 There is no place where earth's sor - rows are more felt than up in heaven;
3 For the love of God is broad - er than the mea - sure of the mind;

there's a kind-ness in his jus - tice, which is more than lib - er - ty.
there is no place where earth's fail - ings have such kind - ly judg - ment given.
and the heart of the E - ter - nal is most won - der - ful - ly kind.

There is wel - come for the sin - ner, and more gra - ces for the good;
 There is plen - ti - ful re - demp - tion in the blood that has been shed;
 If our love were but more faith - ful, we should take him at his word;

there is mer - cy with the Sa - vior; there is heal - ing in his blood.
 there is joy for all the mem - bers in the sor - rows of the Head.
 and our life would be thanks - giv - ing for the good - ness of the Lord.

INTERCESSIONS

Joining our prayers to blessed Mary the Mother of God and all the saints, let us pray to the Lord, aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

Silence follows and free intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered.

We especially pray for those who have asked for our prayers:

Dot and Bill, Violet, Jude, Roy and Charlotte, Zanie Devareaux, Dave, Frieda Wald, Adam and Marilane Carter and family.

For our brothers and sisters in Cange and Bois Joli.

For those who grieve, those who have lost jobs.

For healing for our nation.

For justice and peace.

For the President and all who are in authority.

For health care workers and all first responders.

For hospice care workers.

For all students, faculty and staff of schools and universities.

Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the Church: that believers and nonbelievers may work and talk together, healing the wounds that prejudice and rejection have inflicted upon us all. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for the world: that people may cease to label and exclude one another as foreigners, choosing instead to rejoice in one another's gifts. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for our nation: that we who are divided by religious, ethnic, and racial conflict may seek reconciliation, and that our leaders may be moved to seek the common good. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those whom we encounter on the borders of our lives: that immigrants and refugees, the homeless and the hungry may find from us a ready welcome, transforming strangers into valued neighbors. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us offer thanksgiving for all God's gifts in this life, especially for our new Deacon, Noah Stansbury and his ministry among us. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those who celebrate birthdays this week, especially Sharon Lane, Beth Carney, Crawford Robb, Serena DuBose, Melanie Beddow, and Eric Crouse. Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray for those who have departed this life, that the Lord God may welcome our dead and grant them joy in their eternal home. Lord, in your mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

The Officiant adds this concluding prayer:

O most mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee to you for aid. Deliver us from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use of for their cure; and as we perceive how frail and uncertain our life is, grant that we may turn our hearts unto the heavenly Wisdom which leads to eternal life; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING (BCP p. 101)

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.

CONCLUDING VERSICLE (BCP p. 102)

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

CONCLUDING SENTENCE (BCP p. 102)

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*

POSTLUDE "Farewell I Gladly Bid Thee" - Flor Peeters - organ postlude

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