

Evening Prayer

Tuesday, January 14th, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday after the 1st Sunday of Epiphany



Preface

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

Psalm 141:2

Confession

Leader or Priest Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

ALL God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. *Amen*

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

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Leader O God, make speed to save us.

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

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. Alleluia*

Assigned O gracious light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!
Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of Life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

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.**

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; *
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; *
how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?"
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; *
when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; *
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices *
and put your trust in the LORD.
- 6 Many are saying,
"Oh, that we might see better times!" *
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart, *
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *
for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

- 1 O LORD my God, I take refuge in you; *
save and deliver me from all who pursue me;
- 2 Lest like a lion they tear me in pieces *
and snatch me away with none to deliver me.
- 3 O LORD my God, if I have done these things: *
if there is any wickedness in my hands,
- 4 If I have repaid my friend with evil, *
or plundered him who without cause is my enemy;
- 5 Then let my enemy pursue and overtake me, *
trample my life into the ground,
and lay my honor in the dust.
- 6 Stand up, O LORD, in your wrath; *
rise up against the fury of my enemies.
- 7 Awake, O my God, decree justice; *
let the assembly of the peoples gather round you.
- 8 Be seated on your lofty throne, O Most High; *
O LORD, judge the nations.
- 9 Give judgment for me according to my righteousness, O LORD, *
and according to my innocence, O Most High.
- 10 Let the malice of the wicked come to an end, but establish the righteous; *
for you test the mind and heart, O righteous God.
- 11 God is my shield and defense; *
he is the savior of the true in heart.
- 12 God is a righteous judge; *
God sits in judgment every day.
- 13 If they will not repent, God will whet his sword; *
he will bend his bow and make it ready.
- 14 He has prepared his weapons of death; *
he makes his arrows shafts of fire.
- 15 Look at those who are in labor with wickedness, *
who conceive evil, and give birth to a lie.

- 16 They dig a pit and make it deep *
and fall into the hole that they have made.
- 17 Their malice turns back upon their own head; *
their violence falls on their own scalp.
- 18 I will bear witness that the LORD is righteous; *
I will praise the Name of the LORD Most High.

**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.**

Reading from the Gospel According to Mark

1:14-28

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea-- for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him. They went to Capernaum; and when the sabbath came, he entered the synagogue and taught. They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes. Just then there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit, and he cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are, the Holy One of God." But Jesus rebuked him, saying, "Be silent, and come out of him!" And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying with a loud voice, came out of him. They were all amazed, and they kept on asking one another, "What is this? A new teaching-- with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him." At once his fame began to spread throughout the surrounding region of Galilee.

This is Word of the Lord.

ALL Thanks be to God

The Song of Mary

In Rotation

- 1 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.
- 2 From this day all generations will call me blessed: *
the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

- 3 He has mercy on those who fear him *
in every generation.
- 4 He has shown the strength of his arm, *
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.
- 5 He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, *
and has lifted up the lowly.
- 6 He has filled the hungry with good things, *
and the rich he has sent away empty.
- 9 He has come to the help of his servant Israel, *
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,
- 10 The promise he made to our fathers, *
To Abraham and his children forever.

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 APOSTLES' CREED

Leader Let us profess our faith in the words of the Apostles' Creed

**ALL 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

BCP 121

Leader The Lord be with you.

People **And Also with you.**

Leader Let Us Pray.

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**

The Prayers

continue rotation

1	Show us your mercy, O Lord;
2	And grant us your salvation.
3	Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
4	Let your people sing with joy.
5	Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
6	For only in you can we live in safety.

7	Lord, keep this nation under your care;
8	And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
9	Let your way be known upon earth;
10	Your saving health among all nations.
11	Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
12	Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
13	Create in us clean hearts, O God;
14	And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

A Collect for the 1st Week after Epiphany

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Leader or Alternate Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

A Collect for Protection

BCP 123

Leader or Alternate God of mercy and compassion, of grace and reconciliation, pour your power upon all your children in the Middle East: Jews, Muslims, and Christians, Palestinians, and Israelis. Let hatred be turned into love, fear to trust, despair to hope, oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation, violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces, and peace and justice could be experienced by all. **Amen**

Let the Whole Earth Worship You

BCP 124

Leader or Alternate 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 thanksgiving may be offered.

Leader May God the Father bless, God the Son heal, and God the Holy Spirit give strength to body and soul for you and all those who are afflicted in anyway. May God the holy and undivided Trinity save and bring safely to his heavenly country all those who have died. *Amen.*

Keep Watch

BCP 134

Leader or Alternate Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. *Amen.*

BCP 134

ALL **Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.**

The Song of Simeon *Nunc Dimittis*

Luke 2:29-32 BCP 135

Assigned Lord, you now have set your servant free *
to go in peace as you have promised;
For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, *
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:
A Light to enlighten the nations, *
and the glory of your people Israel.

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 **Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.**

Leader Let us bless the Lord.

ALL **Thanks be to God.**

Leader 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*