

Morning Prayer
Seventh Sunday
after the Epiphany
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Prelude

Cantilena from "Sonata in D Minor, Op 148, No. 11", Joseph Rheinberger

Hymn 391

Winchester New

1 Be - fore the Lord's e - ter - nal throne, ye
 2 His sov - ereign Power with - out our aid formed
 3 We are his peo - ple, we his care, our
 4 We'll crowd thy gates with thank - ful songs, high
 5 Wide as the world is thy com - mand, vast

1 na - tions, bow with sa - cred joy; know that the Lord is
 2 us of clay and gave us breath; and when like wan - dering
 3 souls, and all our mor - tal frame: what last - ing hon - ors
 4 as the heavens our voic - es raise; and earth, with her ten
 5 as e - ter - ni - ty thy love; firm as a rock thy

1 God a - lone; he can cre - ate, and he des - troy.
 2 sheep we strayed, he saved us from the power of death.
 3 shall we rear, al - might - y Ma - ker, to thy Name?
 4 thou - sand tongues, shall fill thy courts with sound - ing praise.
 5 truth must stand, when roll - ing years shall cease to move.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt.; para. of Psalm 100. Music: *Winchester New*, melody from *Musicalishes Hand-Buch*, 1690; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

The Officiant begins with one or more of sentences of Scripture.

From the rising of the sun to its setting my Name shall be great among the nations, and in every place incense shall be offered to my Name, and a pure offering: for my Name shall be great among the nations, says the Lord of hosts.

Malachi 1:11

I was glad when they said to me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Psalm 122:1

The people are seated.

Anthem (Carol Choir)

Siyahamba, Traditional

Siyahamba ekukhanyen' kwenkhos. We are marching in the light of God.

Confession of Sin

BCP p 79

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The people kneel, as able. Silence may be kept.

**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.**

The Priest says

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

All stand, as able

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Book of Common Prayer, page 80

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.**

Invitatory Psalm

Venite (Psalm 95:1-7)

S 37, Stephen Elvey



- 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 ^{grät} ^{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.]

(Gloria Patri may be added)

Glory to the Father, and ^{to} the ^{Son}, *
and ^{to} the ^{Holy} ^{Spirit}:
As it was in the ^{be} ^{ginning}, is ^{now}, *
and ^{will} be for ^{ever}. A ^{men}. [Ant.]

The people are seated.

Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42

Book of Common Prayer, page 633

- 1 Do not fret yourself because of evildoers; *
do not be jealous of those who do wrong.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, *
and like the green grass fade away.

- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do good; *
dwell in the land and feed on its riches.
- 4 **Take delight in the Lord, ***
and he shall give you your heart's desire.
- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in him, *
and he will bring it to pass.
- 6 **He will make your righteousness as clear as the light ***
and your just dealing as the noonday.
- 7 Be still before the Lord *
and wait patiently for him.
- 8 **Do not fret yourself over the one who prospers, ***
the one who succeeds in evil schemes.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage alone; *
do not fret yourself; it leads only to evil.
- 10 **For evildoers shall be cut off, ***
but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the land.
- 11 In a little while the wicked shall be no more; *
you shall search out their place, but they will not be there.
- 12 **But the lowly shall possess the land; ***
they will delight in abundance of peace.
- 41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the Lord; *
he is their stronghold in time of trouble.
- 42 **The Lord will help them and rescue them; ***
he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them,
because they seek refuge in him.

A reading from the book of Genesis

43:3-11, 15

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, "Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children's children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have.

I will provide for you there--since there are five more years of famine to come--so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'" And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Canticle 9: First Song of Isaiah

Ecce, Deus

Book of Common Prayer, page 86

Isaiah 12:2-6

Surely, it is God who saves me; *

I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, *

and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing *

from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say, *

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples; *

see that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *

and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *

for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: *

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

A reading from the first letter of Paul to the Corinthians

15:35-38, 42-50

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven.

Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Choir Canticle:

Jubilate

Jubilate Deo, John Sanders

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song. Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise. Be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name. For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth from generation to generation. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost. As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

The people are seated for all readings at Morning Prayer.

A reading from the Gospel of Luke

6:27-38

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiven; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

1. I've got peace like a riv - er, I've got peace like a
 2. I've got joy like a foun - tain, I've got joy like a
 3. I've got love like an o - cean, I've got love like an

1. riv - er, I've got peace like a riv - er in my
 2. foun - tain, I've got joy like a foun - tain in my
 3. o - cean, I've got love like an o - cean in my

1. soul; I've got riv - er in my soul.
 2. soul; I've got foun - tain in my soul.
 3. soul; I've got o - cean in my soul.

The Sermon

The Reverend Emily Mellott

The Apostles' Creed

Book of Common Prayer, page 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

Officiant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

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.**

Suffrages B

Book of Common Prayer, page 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 upon 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 Collects

Our collects for Preschool Sunday were written with the help of friends in the Yellow and Blue Rooms.

A Collect for Community

Dear God, we thank you for the places we belong to, like our school and our country. Please help us to make new friends, and be good friends, and always have people to play with us. Please help us learn to be good listeners, to write our names, cut with scissors, to read and to count to 100. Please help the President and all the leaders to be good listeners, and make good decisions, because you are in charge. **Amen.**

A Collect for Families

Dear God, we thank you for the people and the animals we love. For our families: for moms and dads and sisters and brothers and grandparents and cousins and everyone who loves us. Help us to help our families by cleaning up our toys, making our beds, helping clean the kitchen and make treats, because you love it when we help and when we love. **Amen.**

A Collect for Healing

Dear God, we thank you for helping people who are sick or hurt, and for doctors and everyone who helps us when we get sick. Help us, too, to help people who are sick, and help people get up when they fall down. Thank you for medicine and bandaids and fruit and Gatorade and watching TV and all the other things that help us feel better. Help everyone who is sick to rest, and get energy, because you always want us to be healthy. **Amen.**

A Collect of Thanksgiving

Dear God, we thank you for all the things that make us happy. Thank you for cereal, and movies, and brushing our teeth, and airplanes, and presents, and a new hoverboard. Thank you for when we come to school and learn to read. Thank you for our friends and brothers and sisters and parents who play with us, because we know you love us and want us to be happy. **Amen.**

A Collect for Mission

Dear God, we thank you that when Jesus dies, he comes back alive. We praise you and love you and serve you, and ask you to help us to do hard things, and to do the things you love, like helping people and saying thank you, because we know you never leave us. **Amen.**

Exchange of Peace

Then the Officiant says to the people:

The peace of Christ be always with you.

People: **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements may be made about matters of interest to the congregation

Preschool Song

“Praise Him, Praise Him”

At 8 a.m. there is a collection plate near the entrance to make your weekly gift or regular pledge offering.

At 10 a.m., a collection of financial gifts for the work of the church is received during the singing of the anthem.

Or, at either service, scan the QR code to make a gift electronically.



Offertory Anthem

Steal Away, Spiritual, arr. Nicholas White

Steal away, steal away, steal away to Jesus. Steal away, steal away home, I ain't got long to stay here. My Lord, he calls me, he calls me by the thunder; the trumpet sounds within-a my soul, I ain't got long to stay here. Steal away... Green trees are bendin', poor sinners stand a-tremblin'; the trumpet sounds within-a my soul, I ain't got long to stay here. Steal away...

Hymn at the Presentation

Old Hundredth

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

CONCLUDING PRAYERS AND SENDING FORTH

The General Thanksgiving

Book of Common Prayer, page 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.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Benediction

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Ephesians 3:20,21

Hymn 372

Leoni

1 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name
2 Form - less, all love - ly forms de - clare his love - li - ness;
3 His Spi - rit flow - eth free, high surg - ing where it will;
4 E - ter - nal life hath he im - plant - ed in the soul;

who was, and is, and is to be for ay the same.
ho - ly, no ho - li - ness of earth can his ex - press.
in pro - phet's word he spoke of old; he speak - eth still.
his love shall be our strength and stay while a - ges roll.

The one e - ter - nal God ere aught that now ap - pears:
 Lo, he is Lord of all. Cre - a - tion speaks his praise,
 Es - tab - lished is his law, and change - less it shall stand,
 Praise to the liv - ing God! All prais - ed be his Name

the first, the last, be - yond all thought his time - less years!
 and ev - ery - where a - bove, be - low, his will o - beys.
 deep writ up - on the hu - man heart, on sea, on land.
 who was, and is, and is to be, for ay the same.

Words: Medieval Jewish liturgy; tr. Max Landsberg (1845-1928) and Newton M. Mann (1836-1926)
 Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

The Dismissal

The people are dismissed to go forth into the world.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

"Little" Fugue in G Minor, BWV 578, J. S. Bach



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