

Evening Prayer

Tuesday, April 1st, 2025, 7:00 p.m.

Fourth Week in Lent

Preface

Worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him. *John 8:12*

Confession

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

or Priest

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.*

O Gracious Light *Phos hilaron*

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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.**

Psalm 94 *Deus ultionum*

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1	O LORD God of vengeance, * O God of vengeance, show yourself.
2	Rise up, O Judge of the world; * give the arrogant their just deserts.
3	How long shall the wicked, O LORD, * how long shall the wicked triumph?
4	They bluster in their insolence; * all evildoers are full of boasting.
5	They crush your people, O LORD, * and afflict your chosen nation.
6	They murder the widow and the stranger * and put the orphans to death.
7	Yet they say, "The LORD does not see, * the God of Jacob takes no notice."
8	Consider well, you dullards among the people; * when will you fools understand?
9	He that planted the ear, does he not hear? * he that formed the eye, does he not see?

10	He who admonishes the nations, will he not punish? * he who teaches all the world, has he no knowledge?
11	The LORD knows our human thoughts; * how like a puff of wind they are.
12	Happy are they whom you instruct, O Lord! * whom you teach out of your law;
13	To give them rest in evil days, * until a pit is dug for the wicked.
14	For the LORD will not abandon his people, * nor will he forsake his own.
15	For judgment will again be just, * and all the true of heart will follow it.
16	Who rose up for me against the wicked? * who took my part against the evildoers?
17	If the LORD had not come to my help, * I should soon have dwelt in the land of silence.
18	As often as I said, "My foot has slipped," * your love, O LORD, upheld me.
19	When many cares fill my mind, * your consolations cheer my soul.
20	Can a corrupt tribunal have any part with you, * one which frames evil into law?
21	They conspire against the life of the just * and condemn the innocent to death.
22	But the LORD has become my stronghold, * and my God the rock of my trust.
23	He will turn their wickedness back upon them and destroy them in their own malice; * the LORD our God will destroy them.

1	Come, let us sing to the LORD; * let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
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.
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 for ever. Amen.**

7 Bringing forth life and giving growth, *
seed for sowing and bread for eating,
8 So is my word that goes forth from my mouth; *
it will not return to me empty;
9 But it will accomplish that which I have purposed, *
and prosper in that for which I sent it.

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

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**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

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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

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- 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 Day

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Leader or Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be
Alternate the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he
may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever. *Amen*

A Collect for Peace

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Leader or Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just
Alternate 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*

Prayer to Love and Serve

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Leader or O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth
Alternate 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.*

ALL O God, your unfailing providence sustains the world we live in and the life we live: Watch over those, both night and day, who work while others sleep, and grant that we may never forget that our common life depends upon each other's toil; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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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

Lord, you now have set your servant free *
to go in peace as you have promised;
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 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