

Morning Prayer

Friday

From Enriching Our Worship

Opening Hymn – In God Alone

In God a-lone my soul can find rest and peace, in
Mon â - me se re - po - se en paix sur Dieu seul: de

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God my peace and joy. On - ly in God my
lui vient mon sa - lut. Oui, sur Dieu seul mon

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soul can find its rest, find its rest and peace.
â - me se re - po - se, se re - po - se en paix.

Jesus said: “If any of you would come after me, deny yourself and take up your cross and follow me.” *Mark 8:34*

The Deacon says

Let us confess our sins to God.

Silence may be kept.

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.

Absolution

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.*

Officiant O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

People **And your glory all the day long.**

**Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Invitatory Psalm

Psalm 67:1-5 *Deus misereatur*

Antiphon Day by day we bless you; we praise your name for ever.

O God, be merciful to us and bless us, *

show us the light of your countenance and come to us.

Let your ways be known upon earth, *

your saving health among all nations.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *

let all the peoples praise you.

Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *

for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; *

let all the peoples praise you.

Antiphon Day by day we bless you; we praise your name for ever.

The Psalm

Psalm 54 *Deus, in nomine*

1 Save me, O God, by your Name; *

in your might, defend my cause.

2 Hear my prayer, O God; *

give ear to the words of my mouth.

3 For the arrogant have risen up against me,

and the ruthless have sought my life, *

those who have no regard for God.

4 Behold, God is my helper; *

it is the Lord who sustains my life.

5 Render evil to those who spy on me; *

in your faithfulness, destroy them.

6 I will offer you a freewill sacrifice *

and praise your Name, O Lord, for it is good.

7 For you have rescued me from every trouble, *

and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

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The Reading Mark 2:13-22

¹³ Jésus sortit de nouveau du côté du lac. Toute la foule venait à lui et il l'enseignait. ¹⁴ En passant, il vit Lévi, fils d'Alphée, assis au bureau des taxes. Il lui dit: «Suis-moi.» Lévi se leva et le suivit.

¹⁵ Comme Jésus était à table dans la maison de Lévi, beaucoup de collecteurs d'impôts et de pécheurs^[a] se mirent aussi à table avec lui et avec ses disciples, car ils étaient nombreux à le suivre. ¹⁶ Le voyant manger avec les collecteurs d'impôts et les pécheurs, les spécialistes de la loi et les pharisiens^[b] dirent à ses disciples: «Pourquoi mange-t-il avec les collecteurs d'impôts et les pécheurs?» ¹⁷ Jésus, qui avait entendu, leur dit: «Ce ne sont pas les bien portants qui ont besoin de médecin, mais les malades. Je ne suis pas venu appeler des justes, mais des pécheurs, [à changer d'attitude].»

¹⁸ Les disciples de Jean et les pharisiens jeûnaient. Ils vinrent dire à Jésus: «Pourquoi les disciples de Jean et ceux des pharisiens jeûnent-ils, tandis que tes disciples ne jeûnent pas?» ¹⁹ Jésus leur répondit: «Les invités à la noce peuvent-ils jeûner pendant que le marié est avec eux? Aussi longtemps que le marié est avec eux, ils ne peuvent pas jeûner. ²⁰ Les jours viendront où le marié leur sera enlevé, et alors ils jeûneront durant ces jours-là. ²¹ Personne ne coud un morceau de tissu neuf sur un vieil habit, sinon la pièce neuve ajoutée arrache une partie du vieux, et la déchirure devient pire. ²² Et personne ne met du vin nouveau dans de vieilles outres, sinon les outres éclatent, le vin coule et les outres sont perdues; mais [il faut mettre] le vin nouveau dans des outres neuves.»

Le lecteur Voici ce que l'esprit dit au peuple de Dieu

Réponse Nous rendons grâce à Dieu.

The Canticle

A Song of Our True Nature

Julian of Norwich

Christ revealed our frailty and our falling, *
our trespasses and our humiliations.

Christ also revealed his blessed power, *
his blessed wisdom and love.

He protects us as tenderly and as sweetly when we are in greatest need; *
he raises us in spirit

and turns everything to glory and joy without ending.

God is the ground and the substance, the very essence of nature;*

¹³ Jesus went out again beside the sea; the whole crowd gathered around him, and he taught them. ¹⁴ As he was walking along, he saw Levi son of Alphaeus sitting at the tax booth, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. ¹⁵ And as he sat at dinner in Levi's house, many tax collectors and sinners were also sitting with Jesus and his disciples—for there were many who followed him. ¹⁶ When the scribes of the Pharisees saw that he was eating with sinners and tax collectors, they said to his disciples, "Why does he eat with tax collectors and sinners?" ¹⁷ When Jesus heard this, he said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick; I have come to call not the righteous but sinners."

The Question about Fasting

¹⁸ Now John's disciples and the Pharisees were fasting; and people came and said to him, "Why do John's disciples and the disciples of the Pharisees fast, but your disciples do not fast?" ¹⁹ Jesus said to them, "The wedding guests cannot fast while the bridegroom is with them, can they? As long as they have the bridegroom with them, they cannot fast. ²⁰ The days will come when the bridegroom is taken away from them, and then they will fast on that day.

²¹ "No one sews a piece of unshrunk cloth on an old cloak; otherwise, the patch pulls away from it, the new from the old, and a worse tear is made. ²² And no one puts new wine into old wineskins; otherwise, the wine will burst the skins, and the wine is lost, and so are the skins; but one puts new wine into fresh wineskins."

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God

God is the true father and mother of natures.
We are all bound to God by nature, *
and we are all bound to God by grace.
And this grace is for all the world, *
because it is our precious mother, Christ.
For this fair nature was prepared by Christ
for the honor and nobility of all, *
and for the joy and bliss of salvation.

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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.

Officiant Hear our cry, O God.

People And listen to our prayer.

Officiant Let us pray.

Notre Père, qui es aux cieux,
que ton Nom soit sanctifié,
que ton règne vienne.
Que ta volonté soit faite
sur la terre comme au ciel.
Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre pain de ce jour.
Pardonne-nous nos offenses,
comme nous pardonnons aussi
à ceux qui nous ont offensés.
Et ne nous soumet pas à la tentation,
mais délivre-nous du mal.
Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent le règne,
la puissance et la gloire,
dans les siècles des siècles. Amen.

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

The Suffrages

V. Help us, O God our Savior;
R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.
V. Look upon your congregation;

R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.
V. Declare your glory among the nations;
R. And your wonders among all peoples.
V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;
R. Never forget the lives of your poor.
V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;
R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.
V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;
R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

The Collect

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Prayers, intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered either aloud or silently

Officiant

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.*