

Healing Prayers & Eucharistic Adoration  
Wednesday, May 5, 2021 | 5:30pm EDT

**OPENING SENTENCE**

*The Officiant says*

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

**CONFESSION OF SIN**

*The Officiant says to the people*

Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, so that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together, all kneeling*

***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 alone stands and says*

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

## The Invitatory and Psalter

**VERSICLE**

*All stand*

*Officiant*            O God, make speed to save us.  
*People*              ***O Lord, make haste to help us.***

*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.*

**INVITATORY**

*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.*

**PSALM 119:73-96**

<sup>73</sup>Your hands have made and fashioned me;  
give me understanding that I may learn your commandments.

<sup>74</sup>*Those who fear you shall see me and rejoice,  
because I have hoped in your word.*

<sup>75</sup>I know, O LORD, that your judgments are right,  
and that in faithfulness you have humbled me.

<sup>76</sup>*Let your steadfast love become my comfort  
according to your promise to your servant.*

<sup>77</sup>Let your mercy come to me, that I may live;  
for your law is my delight.

<sup>78</sup>*Let the arrogant be put to shame,  
because they have subverted me with guile;  
as for me, I will meditate on your precepts.*

<sup>79</sup>Let those who fear you turn to me,  
so that they may know your decrees.

<sup>80</sup>*May my heart be blameless in your statutes,  
so that I may not be put to shame.*

<sup>81</sup>My soul languishes for your salvation;  
I hope in your word.

<sup>82</sup>*My eyes fail with watching for your promise;  
I ask, "When will you comfort me?"*

<sup>83</sup>For I have become like a wineskin in the smoke,  
yet I have not forgotten your statutes.

<sup>84</sup>*How long must your servant endure?  
When will you judge those who persecute me?*

<sup>85</sup>The arrogant have dug pitfalls for me;  
they flout your law.

<sup>86</sup>*All your commandments are enduring;  
I am persecuted without cause; help me!*

<sup>87</sup>They have almost made an end of me on earth;  
but I have not forsaken your precepts.

<sup>88</sup>***In your steadfast love spare my life,  
so that I may keep the decrees of your mouth.***

<sup>89</sup>The LORD exists forever;  
your word is firmly fixed in heaven.

<sup>90</sup>***Your faithfulness endures to all generations;  
you have established the earth, and it stands fast.***

<sup>91</sup>By your appointment they stand today,  
for all things are your servants.

<sup>92</sup>***If your law had not been my delight,  
I would have perished in my misery.***

<sup>93</sup>I will never forget your precepts,  
for by them you have given me life.

<sup>94</sup>***I am yours; save me,  
for I have sought your precepts.***

<sup>95</sup>The wicked lie in wait to destroy me,  
but I consider your decrees.

<sup>96</sup>***I have seen a limit to all perfection,  
but your commandment is exceedingly broad.***

*At the end of the Psalm is sung or said*

***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 Lessons

### **FIRST READING: Wisdom 13:1-9**

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the book of Wisdom.

<sup>1</sup>For all people who were ignorant of God were foolish by nature;  
and they were unable from the good things that are seen to know the one who exists,  
nor did they recognize the artisan while paying heed to his works;

<sup>2</sup>but they supposed that either fire or wind or swift air,  
or the circle of the stars, or turbulent water,  
or the luminaries of heaven were the gods that rule the world.

<sup>3</sup>If through delight in the beauty of these things people assumed them to be gods,  
let them know how much better than these is their Lord,  
for the author of beauty created them.

<sup>4</sup>And if people were amazed at their power and working,  
let them perceive from them  
how much more powerful is the one who formed them.

<sup>5</sup>For from the greatness and beauty of created things  
comes a corresponding perception of their Creator.

<sup>6</sup>Yet these people are little to be blamed,

for perhaps they go astray  
while seeking God and desiring to find him.  
<sup>7</sup>For while they live among his works, they keep searching,  
and they trust in what they see, because the things that are seen are beautiful.  
<sup>8</sup>Yet again, not even they are to be excused;  
<sup>9</sup>for if they had the power to know so much  
that they could investigate the world,  
how did they fail to find sooner the Lord of these things?

*Reader*            Here ends the Lesson.

*Silence may follow.*

### **FIRST CANTICLE**

Canticle 15: The Song of Mary

*Magnificat*

*Luke 1:46-55*

***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.  
From this day all generations will call me blessed: \*  
the Almighty has done great things for me,  
and holy is his Name.  
He has mercy on those who fear him \*  
in every generation.  
He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
he has scattered the proud in their conceit.  
He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
and has lifted up the lowly.  
He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
and the rich he has sent away empty.  
He has come to the help of his servant Israel, \*  
for he has remembered his promise of mercy,  
The promise he made to our fathers, \*  
to Abraham and his children for ever.  
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.***

### **SECOND READING: Rom. 13:1-14**

*The people sit.*

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

<sup>1</sup>Let every person be subject to the governing authorities; for there is no authority except from God, and those authorities that exist have been instituted by God. <sup>2</sup>Therefore whoever resists

authority resists what God has appointed, and those who resist will incur judgment. <sup>3</sup>For rulers are not a terror to good conduct, but to bad. Do you wish to have no fear of the authority? Then do what is good, and you will receive its approval; <sup>4</sup>for it is God's servant for your good. But if you do what is wrong, you should be afraid, for the authority does not bear the sword in vain! It is the servant of God to execute wrath on the wrongdoer. <sup>5</sup>Therefore one must be subject, not only because of wrath but also because of conscience. <sup>6</sup>For the same reason you also pay taxes, for the authorities are God's servants, busy with this very thing. <sup>7</sup>Pay to all what is due them — taxes to whom taxes are due, revenue to whom revenue is due, respect to whom respect is due, honor to whom honor is due.

<sup>8</sup>Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. <sup>9</sup>The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." <sup>10</sup>Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

<sup>11</sup>Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; <sup>12</sup>the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; <sup>13</sup>let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.

*People*           ***Thanks be to God.***

*Silence may follow.*

## **SECOND CANTICLE**

Canticle 17: The Song of Simeon

*Nunc dimittis*

*Luke 2:29-32*

***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.***

***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.***

## **THIRD READING: Luke 8:16-25**

*The people sit.*

A Reading from Luke.

<sup>16</sup>No one after lighting a lamp hides it under a jar, or puts it under a bed, but puts it on a lampstand, so that those who enter may see the light. <sup>17</sup>For nothing is hidden that will not be disclosed, nor is anything secret that will not become known and come to light. <sup>18</sup>Then pay attention to how you listen; for to those who have, more will be given; and from those who do not have, even what they seem to have will be taken away."

<sup>19</sup>Then his mother and his brothers came to him, but they could not reach him because of the crowd. <sup>20</sup>And he was told, "Your mother and your brothers are standing outside, wanting to see you." <sup>21</sup>But he said to them, "My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and do it."

<sup>22</sup>One day he got into a boat with his disciples, and he said to them, "Let us go across to the other side of the lake." So they put out, <sup>23</sup>and while they were sailing he fell asleep. A windstorm swept down on the lake, and the boat was filling with water, and they were in danger. <sup>24</sup>They went to him and woke him up, shouting, "Master, Master, we are perishing!" And he woke up and rebuked the wind and the raging waves; they ceased, and there was a calm. <sup>25</sup>He said to them, "Where is your faith?" They were afraid and amazed, and said to one another, "Who then is this, that he commands even the winds and the water, and they obey him?"

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.  
*People*            ***Thanks be to God.***

*Silence may follow.*

## **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

*Officiant and People together, all standing.*

***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

*The people stand or kneel*

*Officiant*        The Lord be with you.

*People*            ***And also with you.***

*Officiant*        Let us pray.

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*Officiant and People*

***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.***

## A LITANY OF HEALING

*The Celebrant introduces the Litany with this bidding*

Let us name before God those for whom we offer our prayers.

*The People audibly name those for whom they are interceding.*

In the St. John's family, we pray for Emma, Ferris, William, Karen, Gloria, Susan, Bill, Mary Kay, Mike, Al & Jane, Sharon, David & Nanette, Ted, Ida, and all of our ministries: the Vestry, the altar guild, the buildings and grounds ministry, our children's, youth, and family ministries, the choir, the Shared Ministry Development Team, the finance ministry, for Al, Amy, Kevin, Rev. Pam, and Fr. Curt.

In the Anglican Communion we pray for Justin the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael our Presiding Bishop, the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Eastern Michigan, Skip our Assisting Bishop, and Wayne our Bishop Provisional.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we remember today the Diocese of Buhiga – The Anglican Church of Burundi.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Andrew's, Flint – Jay Gantz, Rector.

From the Diocese of Western Michigan we pray for Holy Trinity, Manistee – Christian Baron and Jodi Baron, Co-Rectors

Locally we pray for our fellow Episcopalians at St. Matthew's and St. Paul, as well as our individual and collective efforts to end food insecurity in Saginaw.

We also pray for our partners in Interfaith Saginaw.

*A Person appointed then leads the Litany*

God the Father, your will for all people is health and salvation;  
***We praise you and thank you, O Lord.***

God the Son, you came that we might have life, and might have it more abundantly;  
***We praise you and thank you, O Lord.***

God the Holy Spirit, you make our bodies the temple of your presence;  
***We praise you and thank you, O Lord.***

Holy Trinity, one God, in you we live and move and have our being;  
***We praise you and thank you, O Lord.***

Lord, grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or disabled, that they may be made whole;  
***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

Grant to all who seek your guidance, and to all who are lonely, anxious, or despondent, a knowledge of your will and an awareness of your presence;  
***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

Mend broken relationships, and restore those in emotional distress to soundness of mind and serenity of spirit;  
***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

Bless physicians, nurses, and all others who minister to the suffering, granting them wisdom and skill, sympathy and patience;  
***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

Grant to the dying peace and a holy death, and uphold by the grace and consolation of your Holy Spirit those who are bereaved;  
***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

Restore to wholeness whatever is broken by human sin, in our lives, in our nation, and in the world;  
***Hear us, O Lord of life.***

You are the Lord who does wonders:  
***You have declared your power among the peoples.***

With you, O Lord, is the well of life:  
***And in your light we see light.***

Hear us, O Lord of life:  
***Heal us, and make us whole.***

Let us pray.

*A period of silence follows.*

*The Celebrant concludes the Prayers with one of the following or some other suitable Collect.*

Gracious God, we give you thanks for your beloved Jesus Christ, in whom you have shared the beauty and pain of human life. Look with compassion upon all for whom we pray, and strengthen us to be your instruments of healing in the world, by the power of the Holy Spirit.  
***Amen.***

## **THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING**

*Officiant and People*

***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**

*Officiant*

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.*

### **CONCLUDING VERSICLE**

Let us bless the Lord, alleluia, alleluia.

*Thanks be to God, alleluia, alleluia.*

### **CONCLUDING SENTENCE**

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*

### **A LITANY OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

*When one has access to a church or chapel where the Sacrament is reserved, it is a good thing to make a point of stopping from time to time to pray in the presence of the Sacrament. God's presence fills the whole earth, and Jesus' promise to be with us always transcends even the grace of the Sacraments, but most of us find that a focus on the Blessed Sacrament may be a helpful reminder. Time spent in contemplation of the Presence will leave one more ready to recognize the hand of God in all places and the image of God in all people. Intercessory prayer, in particular, takes on a special light as we pray for the dispersed Body of Christ in his Church in the immediate presence of the concentrated Body of Christ in the Sacrament.*

Lord, have mercy.

*Christ, have mercy.*

Lord, have mercy.

O Christ, hear us.

*O Christ, graciously hear us.*

God the Father,  
*have mercy on us.*

God the Son,  
*have mercy on us.*

God the Holy Spirit,  
*have mercy on us.*

Holy Trinity, One God,  
*have mercy on us.*

Blessed Jesus, Word of God Incarnate,  
***I worship you.***

Blessed Jesus, Son of God and Son of Mary,  
***I worship you.***

Jesus, whom the heavens cannot contain, yet present on the Altar,  
***I worship you.***

Jesus, adored by the heavenly hosts, yet ready to hear our prayers,  
***I worship you.***

Jesus, veiling your glory that we may come close to you,  
***I worship you.***

Jesus, both priest and sacrifice,  
***I worship you.***

Living Bread, that whoever eats will live forever,  
***evermore give us this bread.***

Jesus, manna in the wilderness,  
***evermore give us this bread.***

Jesus, broken bread that feeds the multitude,  
***evermore give us this bread.***

Jesus, bread that comes down out of heaven,  
***evermore give us this bread.***

Jesus, bread that gives life to the world,  
***evermore give us this bread.***

Jesus, the good shepherd, who laid down your life for your sheep,  
***evermore give us this bread.***

Jesus, giving your own Body and Blood to be our food,  
***evermore give us this bread.***

Jesus, revealed in the breaking of the bread,  
***evermore give us this bread.***

From measuring your omnipotence and grace by our weak understanding,  
***save us and help us.***

From doubts, distractions, and irreverence,  
*save us and help us.*

From unworthy and unfruitful receiving,  
*save us and help us.*

From hardness of heart and ingratitude,  
*save us and help us.*

From all lack of charity and refusing to welcome others as you have welcomed us,  
*save us and help us.*

Hear us, Lord, and grant that we may know your presence,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That we may acknowledge our dependence on you,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That we may seek to know and do your will,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That we may recognize and give thanks for every blessing you give us,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That we may come to you in repentance for the wrongs we have done,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That we may approach this ineffable mystery in perfect charity with all,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That we may be made ready to lead a new life,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That we may walk in the way of your commandments,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That receiving this great gift we may grow in gratitude and trust,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That the wounded may find healing, the despondent, hope, and the fearful, courage,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That we may see your image in one another,  
*hear us, Lord.*

That as we adore you here, we may hereafter be ready to stand in your presence,  
***hear us, Lord.***

Jesus, Lamb of God,  
***have mercy on us.***

Jesus, bearer of our sins,  
***have mercy on us.***

Jesus, redeemer of the world,  
***grant us your peace.***

Let us pray.

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

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