#### Morning Prayer for Healing and Wholeness

Aug 2, 2023

#### Opening Hymn Surely the Presence

Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place I can feel His mighty power and His grace I can feel the brush of angel's wings I see glory on each face
Surely the presence of the Lord is in this place

The Officiant says to the people

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence is kept.

Officiant and People together

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,

we have offended against thy holy laws,

we have left undone those things which we ought to have done.

and we have done those things which we ought not to have done.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, spare thou those who confess their faults, restore thou those who are penitent, according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord; and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Officiant says

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant us absolution and remission of all our sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. *Amen.* 

# The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

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 forever. Amen. Alleluia!

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

#### Christ our Passover Pascha nostrum

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22 All read together

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; \*

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with old leaven,

neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness, \*

but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

Christ being raised from the dead dieth no more; \*

death hath no more dominion over him.

For in that he died, he died unto sin once; \*

but in that he liveth, he liveth unto God.

Likewise reckon ye also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, \* but alive unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia.

Christ is risen from the dead, \*

and become the first fruits of them that slept.

For since by man came death, \*

by man came also the resurrection of the dead.

For as in Adam all die, \*

even so in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

#### Jubilate

See attached music and words

#### Psalm 30:1-6

Together

Bless the LORD, O my soul;

And all that is within me, bless His holy name!

<sup>2</sup>Bless the LORD, O my soul,

And forget not all His benefits:

<sup>3</sup>Who forgives all your iniquities,

Who heals all your diseases,

<sup>4</sup>Who redeems your life from destruction,

Who crowns you with lovingkindness and tender mercies,

<sup>5</sup> Who satisfies your mouth with good *things*,

So that your youth is renewed like the eagle's.

<sup>6</sup>The LORD executes righteousness

And justice for all who are oppressed.

<sup>7</sup>He made known His ways to Moses,

His acts to the children of Israel.

<sup>8</sup> The LORD is merciful and gracious,

Slow to anger, and abounding in mercy.

Glory to the Father, and the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

# The Lessons

## A Reading from Malachi 4:2-6

**Context:** In chapter 3 of Malachi God tells the Hebrew people He is sending a messenger, and He gives a portrait of sorts of His messenger. Indeed, Handel uses portions of this chapter for his Messiah. Chapter 4 references the great day of God. Malachi gives the Hebrew people examples of what God will do on that day.

But to you who fear My name
The Sun of Righteousness shall arise
With healing in His wings;
And you shall go out
And grow fat like stall-fed calves.
3 You shall trample the wicked,
For they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet
On the day that I do this,"

Says the Lord of hosts.

4 "Remember the Law of Moses, My servant,
Which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel,
With the statutes and judgments.
5 Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet
Before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.
6 And he will turn
The hearts of the fathers to the children,
And the hearts of the children to their fathers...

The Word of the Lord.

Answer Thanks be to God.

#### The Song of Simeon Nunc dimittis

Luke 2:29 32 In unison

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word;.

For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, which thou hast prepared before the face of all people,.

To be a light to the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy 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.

## A Reading from the Gospel of Luke 4: 16-21

**Context:** Jesus has now come to his hometown. The prophet returns to his home, and the question has to be: "how will he be received?" Jesus tells them straight out who He is.

<sup>16</sup> So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. <sup>17</sup> And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written:

<sup>18</sup> "The Spirit of the LORD *is* upon Me,
Because He has anointed Me
To preach the gospel to *the* poor;
He has sent Me [a] to heal the brokenhearted,
To proclaim liberty to *the* captives
And recovery of sight to *the* blind, *To* set at liberty those who are [b] oppressed;

<sup>19</sup> To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD."

<sup>20</sup> Then He closed the book, and gave *it* back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. <sup>21</sup> And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing."

The Word of the Lord.

Answer Thanks be to God.

#### The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty. From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,

# The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you. People And with thy spirit.

and the life everlasting. Amen.

Officiant Let us pray.

Song of Preparation
Hide me Lord in Your holiness; every fear I now confess.
Praise to You forgiving Lord.
Hide me in Your holiness.
Hide me in Your holiness.

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,

for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Suffrage A

The people respond with the bolded verse

- V. O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
- R. And grant us thy salvation.
- V. Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
- R. And make thy chosen people joyful.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in thee can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let thy way be known upon earth;
- R. Thy saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.

From Max Lucado's CBN Interview on his book: You'll Get Through This

I'm sure that as a pastor you have heard this over and over again through the years. Often, people are impatient in waiting for things to happen in God's timing. For these folks, God's timing translates to six months. When what they were praying for didn't happen in their prescribed amount of time,

# they become bitter and angry at God. Why is avoiding anger and bitterness so important in going through hard times?

Boy, you're nailing it. I can remember having a house on the market, saying, "Lord, you just sell this when you're ready." I was ready, though, at the end of the prayer. I didn't realize that I was actually telling God what to do. It took forever to sell that house, and I don't know why. I'm wondering if God was just saying, "Okay, trust Me." And sometimes we will wait, and wait, and wait, and when it finally happens, we think, "Why did it take so long?" Again, the story of Joseph is the classic here. He's in prison for two years. What was going on in there? Part of learning to trust is trusting God's timing. I think "waiting on the Lord", which is a real common phrase of the Bible, means that we just twiddle our thumbs and do nothing. I think we do everything we can while we're waiting, but waiting really means hoping in the Lord. You need to say, "I'm doing my part, but I'm hoping in You, I trust You ultimately and I'm not going to get bitter and angry..."

#### **Intercessory Prayer for Healing**

O God of heavenly powers, by the might of your command you drive away from the bodies of Your children all sickness and all infirmity: Be present in your holiness and the power of Your Spirit to touch and heal:

Take away their suffering, illness and pain and may they be banished and their strength restored; and that, their health being renewed, they may bless your holy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen* 

The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we thine unworthy servants do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all men.

We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up ourselves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!* 

Officiant

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians 3:20* 

Closing Hymn Open Our Eyes Lord

Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus To reach out and touch Him, and tell Him we love Him Open our ears Lord, and help us to listen Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus

**Attach Jubilate** 

