Morning Prayer for Healing and Wholeness

November 8, 2023

Opening Hymns Holy Ground

This is holy ground; we're standing on holy ground. For the Lord is present, and where He is is holy. This is holy ground; we're standing on holy ground. For the Lord is present, and where He is is holy.

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

(p 41) 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 (p. 42)

OfficiantO Lord, open thou our lips.PeopleAnd 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!

(p. 43) The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

Jubilate (p. 45)

See attached music and words

Christ our Passover Pascha nostrum (p. 46)

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.

Psalm 73:21:26

Together

Thus my heart was grieved, And I was ^[f]vexed in my mind. ²² I was so foolish and ignorant; I was *like* a beast before You. ²³ Nevertheless I *am* continually with You; You hold *me* by my right hand. ²⁴ You will guide me with Your counsel, And afterward receive me *to* glory. ²⁵ Whom have I in heaven *but You*? And *there is* none upon earth *that* I desire besides You. ²⁶ My flesh and my heart fail; *But* God *is* the ^[g]strength of my heart and my portion forever.

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 Jeremiah 30:15-20

Context: At the beginning of Chapter 30 God tells Jeremiah to write down specific words concerning His people...that He will return them to their lands from captivity. God says that He will save His seed from afar and the nations that took them into captivity will come to an end. But, Israel and Judah will not go totally unpunished.

Why do you cry about your affliction? Your sorrow is incurable. Because of the multitude of your iniquities, Because your sins have increased, I have done these things to you.

16 'Therefore all those who devour you shall be devoured; And all your adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; Those who plunder you shall become plunder, And all who prey upon you I will make a prey.

17 For I will restore health to you And heal you of your wounds,' says the Lord, 'Because they called you an outcast saying: "This is Zion; No one seeks her." '
18 "Thus says the Lord: 'Behold, I will bring back the captivity of Jacob's tents, And have mercy on his dwelling places; The city shall be built upon its own mound, And the palace shall remain according to its own plan.

19 Then out of them shall proceed thanksgiving And the voice of those who make merry; I will multiply them, and they shall not diminish; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small.

20 Their children also shall be as before, And their congregation shall be established before Me; And I will punish all who oppress them.

Answer The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

5 The Song of Simeon *Nunc dimittis* (p. 51)

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 forever. Amen.

A Reading from the Gospel of Luke 5: 17-25

Context: Just prior to these verses, Jesus heals a leper and tells him not to tell anyone, but word gets out and the crowds come to hear Him and be healed. For this reason he often went off by himself to pray.

¹⁷ Now it happened on a certain day, as He was teaching, that there were Pharisees and teachers of the law sitting by, who had come out of every town of Galilee, Judea, and Jerusalem. And the power of the Lord was *present* ^[b]to heal them. ¹⁸ Then behold, men brought on a bed a man who was paralyzed, whom they sought to bring in and lay before Him. ¹⁹ And when they could not find how they might bring him in, because of the crowd, they went up on the housetop and let him down with *his* bed through the tiling into the midst before Jesus.

²⁰ When He saw their faith, He said to him, "Man, your sins are forgiven you."

²¹ And the scribes and the Pharisees began to reason, saying, "Who is this who speaks blasphemies? Who can forgive sins but God alone?"

²² But when Jesus perceived their thoughts, He answered and said to them, "Why are you reasoning in your hearts? ²³ Which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Rise up and walk'? ²⁴ But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins"—He said to the man who was paralyzed, "I say to you, arise, take up your bed, and go to your house." ²⁵ Immediately he rose up before them, took up what he had been lying on, and departed to his own house, glorifying God.

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The Apostles' Creed p. 53

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 holv catholic Church. the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

OfficiantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with thy spirit.OfficiantLet 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 p. 54

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 B p. 55 The people respond with the bolded verse

- V. O Lord, save thy people and bless thine heritage;
- R. Govern them and lift them up for ever.
- V. Day by day we magnify thee;
- R. And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.
- V. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin;
- R. O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
- V. O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us;
- R. As our trust is in thee.
- V. O Lord, in thee have I trusted;
- R. Let me never be confounded.

A Collect for Guidance p. 57

O heavenly Father, in whom we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray thee so to guide and govern us by thy Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget thee, but may remember that we are ever walking in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Taken in part from a Billy Graham devotional on healing

Yes, the miracles in the Bible really did happen; every attempt to delete them from the Bible or explain them away has always ended in failure.

We sometimes dismiss people who lived 2,000 or 3,000 years ago as ignorant and gullible – but they weren't, especially when it came to miracles. They lived close to nature – much closer than most of us do – and knew firsthand the reality of storms and illness and death. They knew dead people didn't come back to life and storms didn't suddenly stop – not unless God was at work.

[Miracles] pointed to God and His power. They also were like signposts pointing to Jesus as the only Savior, sent by God to bring us our salvation. On one occasion Jesus told His enemies, "Even though you do not believe me, believe the miracles, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me" (John 10:38). pointed to God and His power. They also were like signposts pointing to Jesus as the only Savior, sent by God to bring us our salvation. On one occasion Jesus told His enemies, "Even though you do not believe the miracles, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me" (John 10:38).

The greatest miracle of all...was Jesus' resurrection from the dead. By it Jesus conquered death and Hell and sin and Satan forever – and because of it we have the hope of eternal life.

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 p. 58

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.

(p. 59) Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia! *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia*!

Officiant

(p. 60) 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

