

Morning Prayer for Healing and Wholeness

October 11, 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.
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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)

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!

(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 3:1-8 p. 587

Together

LORD, how many adversaries I have! How many there are who rise up against me! 2 How many there are who say of me, "There is no help for him in his God." 3 But you, O LORD, are a shield about me; you are my glory, the one who lifts up my head. 4 I call aloud upon the LORD, and he answers me from his holy hill; 5 I lie down and go to sleep; I wake again, because the LORD sustains me. 6 I do not fear the multitudes of people who set themselves against me all around. 7 Rise up, O LORD; set me free, O my God; surely, you will strike all my enemies across the face, you will break the teeth of the wicked. 8 Deliverance belongs to the LORD. Your blessing be upon your people!

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 Isaiah 57:15-19

Context: At the beginning of Chapter 57 God through Isaiah again confronts Israel's idolatry. Isaiah tells the people those who trust in God will inherit the land and His holy mountain.

For thus says the High and Lofty One
Who inhabits eternity, whose name *is* Holy:
"I dwell in the high and holy *place*,
With him *who* has a contrite and humble spirit,
To revive the spirit of the humble,
And to revive the heart of the contrite ones.
¹⁶ For I will not contend forever,
Nor will I always be angry;
For the spirit would fail before Me,
And the souls *which* I have made.
¹⁷ For the iniquity of his covetousness

I was angry and struck him;
I hid and was angry,
And he went on ^[a]backsliding in the way of his heart.
¹⁸ I have seen his ways, and will heal him;
I will also lead him,
And restore comforts to him
And to his mourners.
¹⁹ “I create the fruit of the lips:
Peace, peace to *him who is far off* and to *him who is near*,”
Says the LORD,
“And I will heal him.”

The Word of the Lord.
Answer 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 Matthew 4: 23-25

Context: Just prior to these verses, Jesus arrives at the Sea of Galilee and begins calling his disciples. He tells them “Follow Me and I will make you fishers of men.”

²³ And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people. ²⁴ Then ^[b]His fame went throughout all Syria; and they brought to Him all sick people who were afflicted with various diseases and torments, and those who were demon-possessed, epileptics, and paralytics; and He healed them. ²⁵ Great multitudes followed Him—from Galilee, and *from* ^[c]Decapolis, Jerusalem, Judea, and beyond the Jordan.

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

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

The Prayers

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

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 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 Max Lucado's Daily Devotional: Jesus' Hand Will Touch You Too

Jesus described him to the scribes at the gate and the kids in the courtyard. No one has a clue. For the better part of the day, Jesus has been searching up and down the Jerusalem streets. Finally, a boy gives him a lead. Jesus takes a back street toward the temple and spots the man sitting on a stump between two donkeys. Christ approaches from behind and places a hand on his shoulder. "There you are!" I've been looking for you." John introduces us to him with these words. *As [Jesus] passed by, he saw a man blind from birth*". Jesus spat on the ground. The cure proved to be as surprising as the cause. Holy putty? Whatever the name, he places a finger-full in his palm, and then, as calmly as a painter spackles a hole in the wall, Jesus streaks mudmiracle on the blind man's eyes. *"Go wash in the pool of Siloam"*. The beggar feels his way to the fountain, splashes water on his mud-streaked face, and rubs away the clay. John receives the Understatement of the

Bible Award when he writes: “he came back seeing”. Look at the reaction of the neighbors. “*Is not this the one who used to sit and beg?*’ Others were saying, ‘*This is he,*’ still others were saying, ‘*No, but this is like him.*’ He kept saying, ‘*I am the one*’”. These folks don’t celebrate, they debate! They have watched this man grope and trip since he was a kid, you’d think they would rejoice. But they don’t. When the Pharisees ask for an explanation, the-was-blind beggar says: “*He applied clay to my eyes and I washed, and I see*”. Will no one rejoice with this man? Who was really blind that day? The neighbors didn’t see the man; they saw a novelty. The church leaders didn’t see the man; they saw a technicality. The parents didn’t see their son, they saw a social difficulty. In the end, no one saw him. “So they put him out”. And now, here he is, on a back street of Jerusalem. The fellow has to be bewildered. Born blind only to be healed. Healed only to be kicked out. Kicked out only to be left alone. Now he can’t even beg anymore. How would that feel? Jesus knows. He knows how they feel and he knows where they are. “*Jesus heard that they had thrown him out and went and found him*”. The beggar lifts his eyes to look into the face of the one who started all this. Is he going to criticize Christ? Complain to Christ? You can’t blame him for doing both. After all, he didn’t volunteer for the disease or the deliverance. But he does neither. No, “*he worshiped him*”. And when you see him, you will, too. Just as he came for the blind man, Jesus is coming for you. The hand that touched the blind man’s shoulder will touch your cheeks. The face that changed his life will change yours.

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, Alleluia!
Thanks be to God. 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**

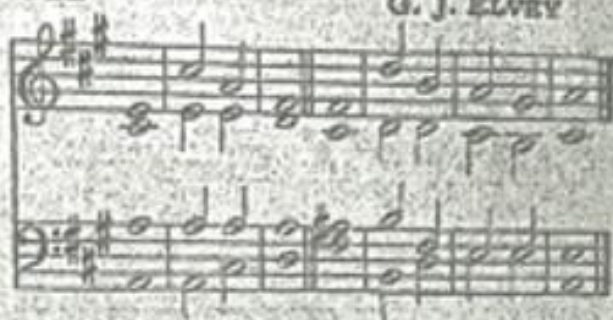
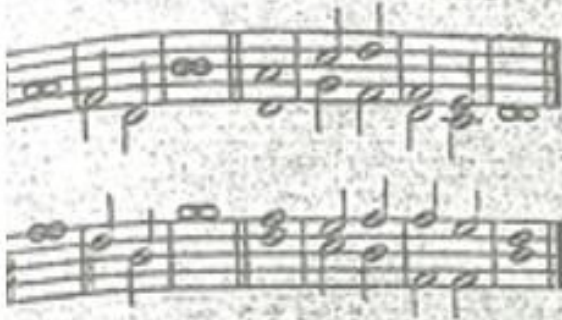
**Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus
To reach out and touch Him, and tell Him we love Him
Open our ears Lord, and help us to listen
Open our eyes Lord, we want to see Jesus**

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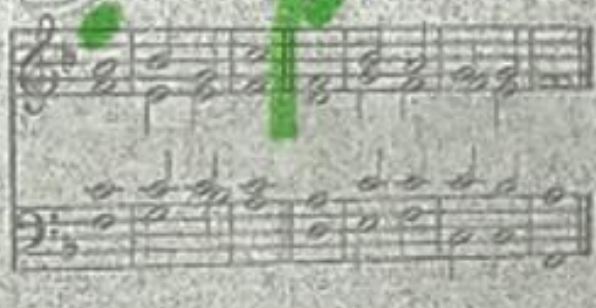
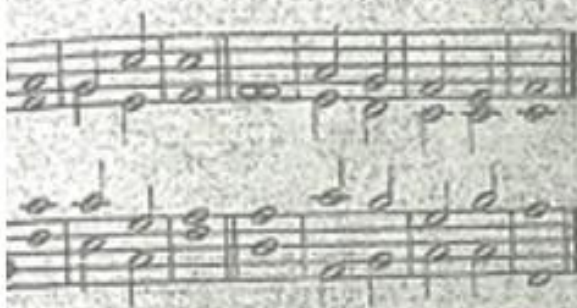
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1 O BE joyful in the LORD, all ye lands:

* serve the LORD with gladness,
and come before his presence with a song.

2 Be ye sure that the LORD he is God:
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves:
* we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

3 O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,
and into his courts with praise;
* be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.

4 For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
* and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son,
* and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be,
* world without end. Amen.

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