

St. Alban's



# Morning Prayer Rite II

*Monday of Holy Week*

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St. Thomas



Episcopal  
Church

*The entire liturgy for Morning Prayer is found below.*

*Words to be said in unison or as a congregational response are **found in bold**.*

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*The Officiant begins with the opening sentence*

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. *Isaiah 53:6*

*The Officiant says to the people*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People*

**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.**

*Officiant*

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 Officiant then says*

Lord, open our lips.

**People**      **And our mouth shall proclaim your 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 for ever. Amen.**

*Venite*

**Come, let us sing to the Lord; \***

**let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.**

**Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \***

**and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.**

**For the Lord is a great God, \***

**and a great King above all gods.**

**In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \***

**and the heights of the hills are his also.**

**The sea is his, for he made it, \***

**and his hands have molded the dry land.**

**Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \***

**and kneel before the Lord our Maker.**

**For he is our God,**

**and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \***

**Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!**

The Psalm

*Psalms 51:1-18*

1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; \* **in your great compassion blot out my offenses.**

2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness \* **and cleanse me from my sin.**

3 For I know my transgressions, \* **and my sin is ever before me.**

4 Against you only have I sinned \* **and done what is evil in your sight.**

5 And so you are justified when you speak \* **and upright in your judgment.**

6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, \* **a sinner from my mother's womb.**

7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, \* **and will make me understand wisdom secretly.**

- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; \* **wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.**
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, \* **that the body you have broken may rejoice.**
- 10 Hide your face from my sins \* **and blot out all my iniquities.**
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, \* **and renew a right spirit within me.**
- 12 Cast me not away from your presence \* **and take not your holy Spirit from me.**
- 13 Give me the joy of your saving help again \* **and sustain me with your bountiful Spirit.**
- 14 I shall teach your ways to the wicked, \* **and sinners shall return to you.**
- 15 Deliver me from death, O God, \* **and my tongue shall sing of your righteousness, O God of my salvation.**
- 16 Open my lips, O Lord, \* **and my mouth shall proclaim your praise.**
- 17 Had you desired it, I would have offered sacrifice, \* **but you take no delight in burnt-offerings.**
- 18 The sacrifice of God is a troubled spirit; \* **a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

**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 First Lesson  
*Lamentations 1:1-2, 6-12*

A reading from the book of Lamentations.

How lonely sits the city  
that once was full of people!  
How like a widow she has become,  
she that was great among the nations!  
She that was a princess among the provinces  
has become a vassal.

She weeps bitterly in the night,  
with tears on her cheeks;  
among all her lovers  
she has no one to comfort her;  
all her friends have dealt treacherously with her,  
they have become her enemies.

From daughter Zion has departed  
all her majesty.  
Her princes have become like stags

that find no pasture;  
they fled without strength  
before the pursuer.

Jerusalem remembers,  
in the days of her affliction and wandering,  
all the precious things  
that were hers in days of old.  
When her people fell into the hand of the foe,  
and there was no one to help her,  
the foe looked on mocking  
over her downfall.

Jerusalem sinned grievously,  
so she has become a mockery;  
all who honored her despise her,  
for they have seen her nakedness;  
she herself groans,  
and turns her face away.

Her uncleanness was in her skirts;  
she took no thought of her future;  
her downfall was appalling,  
with none to comfort her.  
“O Lord, look at my affliction,  
for the enemy has triumphed!”

Enemies have stretched out their hands  
over all her precious things;  
she has even seen the nations  
invade her sanctuary,  
those whom you forbade  
to enter your congregation.

All her people groan  
as they search for bread;  
they trade their treasures for food  
to revive their strength.  
Look, O Lord, and see  
how worthless I have become.

Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by?  
Look and see  
if there is any sorrow like my sorrow,  
which was brought upon me,  
which the Lord inflicted  
on the day of his fierce anger.

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

Canticle 10  
*The Second Song of Isaiah*

**Seek the Lord while he wills to be found; \*  
call upon him when he draws near.  
Let the wicked forsake their ways \*  
and the evil ones their thoughts;  
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion, \*  
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts, \*  
nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth, \*  
so are my ways higher than your ways,  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.  
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens \*  
and return not again, but water the earth,  
Bringing forth life and giving growth, \*  
seed for sowing and bread for eating,  
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth; \*  
it will not return to me empty;  
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed, \*  
and prosper in that for which I sent it.**

**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 Second Lesson  
*Mark 11:12-25*

A reading from the Gospel of Mark.

On the following day, when they came from Bethany, he was hungry. Seeing in the distance a fig tree in leaf, he went to see whether perhaps he would find anything on it. When he came to it, he found nothing but leaves, for it was not the season for figs. He said to it, "May no one ever eat fruit from you again." And his disciples heard it.

Then they came to Jerusalem. And he entered the temple and began to drive out those who were selling and those who were buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves; and he would not allow anyone to carry anything through the temple. He was teaching and saying, "Is it not written,

'My house shall be called a house of prayer for all the nations'?  
But you have made it a den of robbers."

And when the chief priests and the scribes heard it, they kept looking for a way to kill him; for they were afraid of him, because the whole crowd was spellbound by his teaching. And when evening came, Jesus and his disciples went out of the city.

In the morning as they passed by, they saw the fig tree withered away to its roots. Then Peter remembered and said to him, “Rabbi, look! The fig tree that you cursed has withered.” Jesus answered them, “Have faith in God. Truly I tell you, if you say to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and thrown into the sea,’ and if you do not doubt in your heart, but believe that what you say will come to pass, it will be done for you. So I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

“Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone; so that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses.”

The Word of the Lord.

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

Canticle 14

*A Song of Penitence*

**O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven, \***  
    **God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,**  
    **and of all their righteous offspring:**  
**You made the heavens and the earth, \***  
    **with all their vast array.**  
**All things quake with fear at your presence; \***  
    **they tremble because of your power.**  
**But your merciful promise is beyond all measure; \***  
    **it surpasses all that our minds can fathom.**  
**O Lord, you are full of compassion, \***  
    **long-suffering, and abounding in mercy.**  
**You hold back your hand; \***  
    **you do not punish as we deserve.**  
**In your great goodness, Lord,**  
**you have promised forgiveness to sinners, \***  
    **that they may repent of their sin and be saved.**  
**And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart, \***  
    **and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness.**  
**I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, \***  
    **and I know my wickedness only too well.**  
**Therefore I make this prayer to you: \***  
    **Forgive me, Lord, forgive me.**  
**Do not let me perish in my sin, \***  
    **nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.**  
**For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent, \***  
    **and in me you will show forth your goodness.**  
**Unworthy as I am, you will save me,**  
**in accordance with your great mercy, \***  
    **and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life.**

**For all the powers of heaven sing your praises, \*  
and yours is the glory to ages of ages. Amen.**

The Apostles' Creed

*Officiant and People together*

**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.**

*Officiant*      The Lord be with you.  
*People*        **And also with you.**  
*Officiant*      Let us pray.

*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.**

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. **And grant us your salvation.**

V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
**R. Let your people sing with joy.**  
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
**R. For only in you can we live in safety.**  
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
**R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**  
V. Let your way be known upon earth;  
**R. Your 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 your Holy Spirit.**

#### The Collect for Monday in Holy Week

Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

#### A Collect for Guidance

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

#### A Prayer for Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

*Silence may be kept, and free intercessions and thanksgivings may be offered.*

#### 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.**

*Then may be said*

Let us bless the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

*The Officiant may then conclude with one of the following*

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*

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