

# Morning Prayer Rite II

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*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 office begins on **BCP 75** with the Opening Sentence*

Watch, for you know not when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or in the morning; lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. *Mark 13:35, 36*

*The Officiant says to the people*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People together*

**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 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.**

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

**People** **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

St. Alban's St. Thomas



Episcopal  
Church

*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.**

*Jubilate (BCP 82)*

**Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*  
serve the Lord with gladness  
and come before his presence with a song.**

**Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*  
he himself has made us, and we are his;  
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.**

**Enter his gates with thanksgiving;  
go into his courts with praise; \*  
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.**

**For the Lord is good;  
his mercy is everlasting; \*  
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.**

The Psalm

*Psalm 5,6 (BCP 588)*

*Psalm 5*

- 1 Give ear to my words, O LORD; \*  
consider my meditation.
- 2 **Hearken to my cry for help, my King and my God, \*  
for I make my prayer to you.**
- 3 In the morning, LORD, you hear my voice; \*  
early in the morning I make my appeal and watch for you.
- 4 **For you are not a God who takes pleasure in wickedness, \*  
and evil cannot dwell with you.**
- 5 Braggarts cannot stand in your sight; \*  
you hate all those who work wickedness.
- 6 **You destroy those who speak lies; \*  
the bloodthirsty and deceitful, O LORD, you abhor.**
- 7 But as for me, through the greatness of your mercy I will  
go into your house; \*  
I will bow down toward your holy temple in awe of you.
- 8 **Lead me, O LORD, in your righteousness,  
because of those who lie in wait for me; \*  
make your way straight before me.**
- 9 For there is no truth in their mouth; \*

- there is destruction in their heart;
- 10 Their throat is an open grave; \***  
**they flatter with their tongue.**
- 11 Declare them guilty, O God; \*  
let them fall, because of their schemes.
- 12 Because of their many transgressions cast them out, \***  
**for they have rebelled against you.**
- 13 But all who take refuge in you will be glad; \*  
they will sing out their joy for ever.
- 14 You will shelter them, \***  
**so that those who love your Name may exult in you.**
- 15 For you, O LORD, will bless the righteous; \*  
you will defend them with your favor as with a shield.

*Psalm 6*

- 1 LORD, do not rebuke me in your anger; \***  
**do not punish me in your wrath.**
- 2 Have pity on me, LORD, for I am weak; \*  
heal me, LORD, for my bones are racked.
- 3 My spirit shakes with terror; \***  
**how long, O LORD, how long?**
- 4 Turn, O LORD, and deliver me; \*  
save me for your mercy's sake.
- 5 For in death no one remembers you; \***  
**and who will give you thanks in the grave?**
- 6 I grow weary because of my groaning; \*  
every night I drench my bed  
and flood my couch with tears.
- 7 My eyes are wasted with grief \***  
**and worn away because of all my enemies.**
- 8 Depart from me, all evildoers, \*  
for the LORD has heard the sound of my weeping.
- 9 The LORD has heard my supplication; \***  
**the LORD accepts my prayer.**
- 10 All my enemies shall be confounded and quake with fear; \*  
they shall turn back and suddenly be put to shame.

**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  
*Isaiah 1:21-31*

A reading from Isaiah

How the faithful city  
has become a whore!  
She that was full of justice,  
righteousness lodged in her—  
but now murderers!  
Your silver has become dross,  
your wine is mixed with water.  
Your princes are rebels  
and companions of thieves.  
Everyone loves a bribe  
and runs after gifts.  
They do not defend the orphan,  
and the widow's cause does not come before them.

Therefore says the Sovereign, the Lord of hosts, the Mighty One of Israel:  
Ah, I will pour out my wrath on my enemies,  
and avenge myself on my foes!  
I will turn my hand against you;  
I will smelt away your dross as with lye  
and remove all your alloy.  
And I will restore your judges as at the first,  
and your counsellors as at the beginning.  
Afterwards you shall be called the city of righteousness,  
the faithful city.

Zion shall be redeemed by justice,  
and those in her who repent, by righteousness.  
But rebels and sinners shall be destroyed together,  
and those who forsake the Lord shall be consumed.  
For you shall be ashamed of the oaks  
in which you delighted;  
and you shall blush for the gardens  
that you have chosen.  
For you shall be like an oak  
whose leaf withers,  
and like a garden without water.  
The strong shall become like tinder,  
and their work like a spark;  
they and their work shall burn together,  
with no one to quench them.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thank be to God.**

Canticle 10 (**BCP 86**)

*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

*Luke 20:9-18*

A reading from the Gospel of Luke

He began to tell the people this parable: ‘A man planted a vineyard, and leased it to tenants, and went to another country for a long time. When the season came, he sent a slave to the tenants in order that they might give him his share of the produce of the vineyard; but the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. Next he sent another slave; that one also they beat and insulted and sent away empty-handed. And he sent yet a third; this one also they wounded and threw out. Then the owner of the vineyard said, “What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.” But when the tenants saw him, they discussed it among themselves and said, “This is the heir; let us kill him so that the inheritance may be ours.” So they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.’ When they heard this, they said, ‘Heaven forbid!’ But he looked at them and said, ‘What then does this text mean:

“The stone that the builders rejected  
has become the cornerstone”?

Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls.’

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

Canticle 21 (BCP 95)

*You are God*

**You are God: we praise you;  
You are the Lord; we acclaim you;  
You are the eternal Father:  
All creation worships you.  
To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,  
Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:  
    Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
    heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
The glorious company of apostles praise you.  
The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.  
The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.  
Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you;  
    Father, of majesty unbounded,  
    your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,  
    and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.  
You, Christ, are the king of glory,  
the eternal Son of the Father.  
When you became man to set us free  
you did not shun the Virgin's womb.  
You overcame the sting of death  
and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.  
You are seated at God's right hand in glory.  
We believe that you will come and be our judge.  
    Come then, Lord, and help your people,  
    bought with the price of your own blood,  
    and bring us with your saints  
    to glory everlasting.**

The Apostles' Creed (BCP 96)

*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. Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

**R. Govern and uphold them, now and always.**

V. Day by day we bless you;

**R. We praise your name for ever.**

V. Lord, keep us from all sin today;

**R. Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.**

V. Lord, show us your love and mercy;

**R. For we put our trust in you.**

V. In you, Lord, is our hope;

**R. And we shall never hope in vain.**

## The Collect of the Day (1 Advent)

Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## A Prayer for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

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

## A Prayer of St. Chrysostom (BCP 102)

### *Officiant and People*

**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.**

*Then may be said*

Let us bless the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The Officiant may then conclude with the following*

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 3:20,21*

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