#### **Morning Prayer**

#### Friday in Easter Week

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new!

2 Corinthians 5:17

**Invitatory and Psalter** 

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*Officiant* Lord, open our lips. *People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

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.

#### **Christ our Passover**

1 Cor. 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Cor. 15:20-22

Alleluia. Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \* therefore let us keep the feast, Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, \* but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia. Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; \* death no longer has dominion over him. The death that he died, he died to sin, once for all; \* but the life he lives, he lives to God. So also consider yourselves dead to sin, \* and alive to God in Jesus Christ our Lord. Alleluia. Christ has been raised from the dead, \* the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since by a man came death, \* by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die. \* so also in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

#### Psalm 136

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, \* for his mercy endures for ever. Give thanks to the God of gods, \* for his mercy endures for ever. Give thanks to the Lord of lords, \* for his mercy endures for ever. Who only does great wonders, \* for his mercy endures for ever; Who by wisdom made the heavens, \* for his mercy endures for ever; Who spread out the earth upon the waters, \* for his mercy endures for ever; Who created great lights, \* for his mercy endures for ever; The sun to rule the day, \* for his mercy endures for ever; The moon and the stars to govern the night, \* for his mercy endures for ever. Who struck down the firstborn of Egypt, \* for his mercy endures for ever; And brought out Israel from among them, \* for his mercy endures for ever; With a mighty hand and a stretched-out arm, \* for his mercy endures for ever; Who divided the Red Sea in two, \* for his mercy endures for ever; And made Israel to pass through the midst of it, \* for his mercy endures for ever; But swept Pharaoh and his army into the Red Sea, \* for his mercy endures for ever; Who led his people through the wilderness, \* for his mercy endures for ever. Who struck down great kings, \* for his mercy endures for ever; And slew mighty kings, \* for his mercy endures for ever; Sihon, king of the Amorites, \* for his mercy endures for ever; And Og, the king of Bashan, \* for his mercy endures for ever; And gave away their lands for an inheritance, \* for his mercy endures for ever; An inheritance for Israel his servant, \* for his mercy endures for ever. Who remembered us in our low estate, \* for his mercy endures for ever;

And delivered us from our enemies, \*
for his mercy endures for ever;
Who gives food to all creatures, \*
for his mercy endures for ever.
Give thanks to the God of heaven, \*
for his mercy endures for ever.
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 Lessons

## **The First Lesson**

A Reading from the Book of Daniel.

"At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever. But you, Daniel, keep the words secret and the book sealed until the time of the end. Many shall be running back and forth, and evil shall increase." But you, go your way, and rest; you shall rise for your reward at the end of the days."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## 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;

Dan. 12:1-4,13

Isaiah 55:6-11

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**

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

While Peter and John were speaking to the people, the priests, the captain of the temple, and the Sadducees came to them, much annoyed because they were teaching the people and proclaiming that in Jesus there is the resurrection of the dead. So they arrested them and put them in custody until the next day, for it was already evening. But many of those who heard the word believed; and they numbered about five thousand.

The next day their rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is **b**he stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## 18. A Song to the Lamb

Revelation 4:11, 5:9-10, 13

Splendor and honor and kingly power \*
are yours by right, O Lord our God,
For you created everything that is, \*
and by your will they were created and have their being;
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, \*
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,
From every family, language, people, and nation, \*
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.
And so, to him who sits upon the throne, \*
and to Christ the Lamb,
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, \*
for ever and for evermore.

## The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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Acts 4:1-12

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.

# **The Prayers**

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

#### **The Lord's Prayer**

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.

## **Suffrages B**

- *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 on 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.

## Friday in Easter Week

Almighty Father, who gave your only Son to die for our sins and to rise for our justification: Give us grace so to put away the leaven of malice and wickedness, that we may always serve you in pureness of living and truth; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

# **A Collect for Fridays**

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 our Lord. Amen.

## **A Prayer for Mission**

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us pray now for our own needs and those of others.

## The General Thanksgiving

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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.

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

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