## **Morning Prayer**

#### Tuesday after the Second Sunday in Lent

To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, because we have rebelled against him and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by following his laws which he set before us.

#### **Invitatory and Psalter**

OfficiantLord, 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.

#### Jubilate

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.

## Psalm 61

Hear my cry, O God, \* and listen to my prayer.I call upon you from the ends of the earth with heaviness in my heart; \* set me upon the rock that is higher than I.

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Daniel 9:9, 10

Psalm 100

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For you have been my refuge, \*

a strong tower against the enemy.

I will dwell in your house for ever; \*

I will take refuge under the cover of your wings.

For you, O God, have heard my vows; \*

you have granted me the heritage of those who fear your Name.

Add length of days to the king's life; \*

let his years extend over many generations.

Let him sit enthroned before God for ever; \*

bid love and faithfulness watch over him.

So will I always sing the praise of your Name, \*

and day by day I will fulfill my vows.

#### Psalm 62

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For God alone my soul in silence waits; \* from him comes my salvation. He alone is my rock and my salvation, \* my stronghold, so that I shall not be greatly shaken. How long will you assail me to crush me, all of you together, \* as if you were a leaning fence, a toppling wall? They seek only to bring me down from my place of honor; \* lies are their chief delight. They bless with their lips, \* but in their hearts they curse. For God alone my soul in silence waits; \* truly, my hope is in him. He alone is my rock and my salvation, \* my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken. In God is my safety and my honor; \* God is my strong rock and my refuge. Put your trust in him always, O people, \* pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge. Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, \* even those of low estate cannot be trusted. On the scales they are lighter than a breath, \* all of them together. Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; \* though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it. God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, \* that power belongs to God. Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, \* for you repay everyone according to his deeds. 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**

#### Jeremiah 2:1-13

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Jeremiah.

The word of the LORD came to me, saying: Go and proclaim in the hearing of Jerusalem, Thus says the LORD: I remember the devotion of your youth, your love as a bride, how you followed me in the wilderness, in a land not sown. Israel was holy to the LORD, the first fruits of his harvest. All who ate of it were held guilty; disaster came upon them, says the LORD. Hear the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the LORD: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the LORD who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the LORD?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit.

Therefore once more I accuse you, says the LORD, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the LORD, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## 13. A Song of Praise

Song of the Three Young Men, 29-34

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; \*
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name; \*
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; \*
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; \*
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.
Glory to you, beholding the depths; \*
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; \*
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

### **The Second Lesson**

A Reading from the Letter to the Romans.

For I am not ashamed of the gospel; it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who has faith, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed through faith for faith; as it is written, "The one who is righteous will live by faith." For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and wickedness of those who by their wickedness suppress the truth.

For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. Ever since the creation of the world his eternal power and divine nature, invisible though they are, have been understood and seen through the things he has made. So they are without excuse; for though they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their senseless minds were darkened. Claiming to be wise, they became fools; and they exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling a mortal human being or birds or four-footed animals or reptiles. Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the degrading of their bodies among themselves, because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### 18. A Song to the Lamb

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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.

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## The Apostles' Creed

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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.

# **The Prayers**

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OfficiantThe Lord be with you.People And also with you.OfficiantLet 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.

## The Collect of the Day

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **Seasonal Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **A Collect for Peace**

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

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. Thanks be to God.

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3:20,21