Thursday Year 1 Thanksgiving Day Morning Prayer

# **Opening Sentence**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. *Psalm 19:14* 

# Versicle and Response

Lord, open our lips.

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.

## **Invitatory**

#### 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.

## **Psalms**

#### 147 Laudate Dominum

1 Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God! \* how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

2 The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem; \* he gathers the exiles of Israel.

3 He heals the brokenhearted \* and binds up their wounds.

- 4 He counts the number of the stars \* and calls them all by their names.
- 5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; \* there is no limit to his wisdom.
- 6 The Lord lifts up the lowly, \* but casts the wicked to the ground.
- 7 Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; \* make music to our God upon the harp.
- 8 He covers the heavens with clouds \* and prepares rain for the earth;
- 9 He makes grass to grow upon the mountains \* and green plants to serve mankind.
- 10 He provides food for flocks and herds \* and for the young ravens when they cry.
- 11 He is not impressed by the might of a horse; \* he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;
- 12 But the Lord has pleasure in those who fear him, \* in those who await his gracious favor.
- 13 Worship the Lord, O Jerusalem; \* praise your God, O Zion;
- 14 For he has strengthened the bars of your gates; \* he has blessed your children within you.
- 15 He has established peace on your borders; \* he satisfies you with the finest wheat.
- 16 He sends out his command to the earth, \* and his word runs very swiftly.
- 17 He gives snow like wool; \* he scatters hoarfrost like ashes.
- 18 He scatters his hail like bread crumbs; \* who can stand against his cold?
- 19 He sends forth his word and melts them; \* he blows with his wind, and the waters flow.
- 20 He declares his word to Jacob, \*

his statutes and his judgments to Israel.

21 He has not done so to any other nation; \* to them he has not revealed his judgments. Hallelujah!

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.

#### Reading

## **Deuteronomy 26:1-11**

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, 'Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us.' When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: 'A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labour on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me.' You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## **Canticle 8 The Song of Moses**

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted;\*

the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.

The Lord is my strength and my refuge;\*

the Lord has become my Savior.

This is my God and I will praise him,\*

the God of my people and I will exalt him.

The Lord is a mighty warrior;\*

Yahweh is his Name.

The chariots of Pharaoh and his army has he hurled into the sea;\*

the finest of those who bear armor have been drowned in the Red Sea.

The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them;\*

they sank into the depths like a stone.

Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might;\*

your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy.

Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods? \*

who is like you, glorious in holiness,

awesome in renown, and worker of wonders?

You stretched forth your right hand;\*

the earth swallowed them up.

With your constant love you led the people you redeemed;\*

with your might you brought them in safety to

your holy dwelling.

You will bring them in and plant them \*

on the mount of your possession,

The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord,\*

the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established.

The Lord shall reign \*

for ever and 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.

## Reading

#### John 6:26-35

Jesus answered them, 'Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal.' Then they said to him, 'What must we do to perform the works of God?' Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.' So they said to him, 'What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, "He gave them bread from heaven to eat." 'Then Jesus said to them, 'Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which\* comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.' They said to him, 'Sir, give us this bread always.'

Jesus said to them, 'I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever

believes in me will never be thirsty.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

### Canticle 20

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,

we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

# The Apostle's Creed

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 Lord be with you.

And also with you. Let us pray.

# The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

# **Suffrages**

Show us your mercy, O Lord;

And grant us your salvation.

Clothe your ministers with righteousness;

Let your people sing with joy.

Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

For only in you can we live in safety.

Lord, keep this nation under your care;

And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Let your way be known upon earth;

Your saving health among all nations.

Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Create in us clean hearts, O God;

And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

### **Collect of the Day: Thanksgiving Day**

Almighty and gracious Father, we give you thanks for the fruits of the earth in their season and for the labors of those who harvest them. Make us, we pray, faithful stewards of your great bounty, for the provision of our necessities and the relief of all who are in need, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with

you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

#### A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O God, the King eternal, who divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness while it was day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### 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.

## **Prayers and Intercessions**

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

## **General Thanksgiving**

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.

#### Benediction

Let us bless the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

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