## **Morning Prayer**

#### The Last Sunday after Pentecost

Send out your light and your truth, that they may lead me, and bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.

Psalm 43:3

## **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. Alleluia.

## 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!

# Psalm 118

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Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \* his mercy endures for ever.

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Psalm 95:1-7

Let Israel now proclaim, \* "His mercy endures for ever." Let the house of Aaron now proclaim, \* "His mercy endures for ever." Let those who fear the LORD now proclaim, \* "His mercy endures for ever." I called to the LORD in my distress; \* the LORD answered by setting me free. The LORD is at my side, therefore I will not fear; \* what can anyone do to me? The LORD is at my side to help me; \* I will triumph over those who hate me. It is better to rely on the LORD \* than to put any trust in flesh. It is better to rely on the LORD \* than to put any trust in rulers. All the ungodly encompass me; \* in the Name of the LORD I will repel them. They hem me in, they hem me in on every side; \* in the name of the LORD I will repel them. They swarm about me like bees; they blaze like a fire of thorns; \* in the name of the LORD I will repel them. I was pressed so hard that I almost fell, \* but the LORD came to my help. The LORD is my strength and my song, \* and he has become my salvation. There is a sound of exultation and victory \* in the tents of the righteous: "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! \* the right hand of the LORD is exalted! the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!" I shall not die, but live, \* and declare the works of the LORD. The LORD has punished me sorely, \* but he did not hand me over to death. Open for me the gates of righteousness; \* I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD. "This is the gate of the LORD; \* he who is righteous may enter." I will give thanks to you, for you answered me \* and have become my salvation. The same stone which the builders rejected \* has become the chief cornerstone. This is the LORD'S doing, \* and it is marvelous in our eyes. On this day the LORD has acted; \* we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Hosanna, LORD, hosanna! \*

LORD, send us now success.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; \*

we bless you from the house of the LORD.

God is the LORD; he has shined upon us; \*

form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

"You are my God, and I will thank you; \*

you are my God, and I will exalt you."

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; \*

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**

#### Zech. 9:9-16

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Zechariah.

Rejoice greatly, O daughter Zion! Shout aloud, O daughter Jerusalem! Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey. He will cut off the chariot from Ephraim and the war horse from Jerusalem; and the battle bow shall be cut off, and he shall command peace to the nations; his dominion shall be from sea to sea, and from the River to the ends of the earth. As for you also, because of the blood of my covenant with you, I will set your prisoners free from the waterless pit.

Return to your stronghold, O prisoners of hope; today I declare that I will restore to you double. For I have bent Judah as my bow; I have made Ephraim its arrow. I will arouse your sons, O Zion, against your sons, O Greece, and wield you like a warrior's sword. Then the LORD will appear over them, and his arrow go forth like lightning; the Lord GOD will sound the trumpet and march forth in the whirlwinds of the south. The LORD of hosts will protect them, and they shall devour and tread down the slingers; they shall drink their blood like wine, and be full like a bowl, drenched like the corners of the altar. On that day the LORD their God will save them for they are the flock of his people; for like the jewels of a crown they shall shine on his land.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### 16. The Song of Zechariah

Luke 1: 68-79

Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel; \* he has come to his people and set them free. He has raised up for us a mighty savior, \* born of the house of his servant David. Through his holy prophets he promised of old, that he would save us from our enemies, \* from the hands of all who hate us. He promised to show mercy to our fathers \* and to remember his holy covenant. This was the oath he swore to our father Abraham. \* to set us free from the hands of our enemies, Free to worship him without fear, \* holy and righteous in his sight all the days of our life. You, my child, shall be called the prophet of the Most High, \* for you will go before the Lord to prepare his way, To give his people knowledge of salvation \* by the forgiveness of their sins. In the tender compassion of our God \* the dawn from on high shall break upon us, To shine on those who dwell in darkness and the shadow of death, \* and to guide our feet into the way of peace. 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**

#### Matt. 21:1-13

A Reading from the Gospel According to Matthew.

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, **G**he Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying, "Tell the daughter of Zion, Look, your king is coming to you, humble, and mounted on a donkey, and on a colt, the foal of a donkey." The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting, "Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest heaven!" When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Then Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who were selling and buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. He said to them, "It is written, **G**My house shall be called a house of prayer'; but you are making it a den of robbers."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## 21. 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

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.

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## **The Prayers**

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#### **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

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## **A Collect for Sundays**

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; 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.

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