



Chapel of the Cross  
Morning Prayer Rite II  
Seventh Sunday of Easter  
May 24, 2020

THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER (BCP)

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

**The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

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!**

CHRIST OUR PASSOVER

*Pascha Nostrum*

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; \*

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with 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 in Christ shall all be made alive. Alleluia.

PSALM 68:1-10, 33-36

*spoken in unison*

Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered; \*

let those who hate him flee before him.

Let them vanish like smoke when the wind

drives it away; \*

as the wax melts at the fire,

so let the wicked perish at the presence of God.

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God; \*

let them also be merry and joyful.

Sing to God, sing praises to his Name;

exalt him who rides upon the heavens; \*

YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him!

Father of orphans, defender of widows, \*

God in his holy habitation!

God gives the solitary a home

and brings forth prisoners into freedom; \*

but the rebels shall live in dry places.

O God, when you went forth before your people, \*

when you marched through the wilderness,

The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain,

at the presence of God, the God of Sinai, \*

at the presence of God, the God of Israel.

You sent a gracious rain, O God,

upon your inheritance; \*

you refreshed the land when it was weary.

Your people found their home in it; \*

in your goodness, O God,

you have made provision for the poor.

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth; \*

sing praises to the Lord.

He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens; \*

he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God; \*

his majesty is over Israel;

his strength is in the skies.

How wonderful is God in his holy places! \*

the God of Israel giving strength

and power to his people!

Blessed be God!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,

and to the Holy Spirit:

as it was in the beginning, is now,

and will be forever. Amen.

A READING FROM THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, "Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?" He replied, "It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, "Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven."

Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day's journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

CANTICLE 18

*said in unison*

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

A READING FROM THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOHN

John 17:1-11

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

"I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one."

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

HOMILY

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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 LORD'S PRAYER

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

**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.**

#### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;

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

Day by day we bless you;

**We praise your name for ever.**

Lord, keep us from all sin today;

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

Lord, show us your love and mercy;

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

In you, Lord, is our hope;

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

#### THE COLLECTS

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

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.**

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.**

*At this time, you are invited to offer your intercessions and thanksgivings to God.*

#### GENERAL THANKSGIVING

**Accept, O Lord, our thanks and praise for all that you have done for us. We thank you for the splendor of the whole creation, for the beauty of this world, for the wonder of life, and for the mystery of love.**

**We thank you for the blessing of family and friends, and for the loving care which surrounds us on every side.**

**We thank you for setting us at tasks which demand our best efforts, and for leading us to accomplishments which satisfy and delight us.**

**We thank you also for those disappointments and failures that lead us to acknowledge our dependence on you alone.**

**Above all, we thank you for your Son Jesus Christ; for the truth of his Word and the example of his life; for his steadfast obedience, by which he overcame temptation; for his dying, through which he overcame death; and for his rising to life again, in which we are raised to the life of your kingdom.**

**Grant us the gift of your Spirit, that we may know him and make him known; and through him, at all times and in all places, may give thanks to you in all things. Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

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*

*Thank you for joining us virtually at Chapel of the Cross.*