Daily Morning Prayer: Rite Two

Gathering Song

You are my hiding place

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You are my hiding place, You always fill my heart with songs of deliverance;
Whenever I am afraid I will trust in you, I will trust in you,
Let the weak say, “I am strong in the strength of the Lord.” Repeat
Last time only: I will trust in you.

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The Officiant begins the service

Jesus said, “If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.” Mark 8:34

Confession of Sin

The Officiant says to the people

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.
Officiant and People together,

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.
The Fifth Sunday of Lent

March 29, 2020

The Priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. Amen.

The Invitatory and Psalter

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

Officiant and People

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.

Antiphon in Lent

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:

Come let us adore him.

Venite Psalm 95:1–7 prayed together

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!

Repeat antiphon

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:

Come let us adore him.
The Lessons

First Reading

A Reading from the Book of the Prophet Ezekiel

Ezekiel 37:1-14

The hand of the Lord came upon me, and he brought me out by the spirit of the Lord and set me down in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me all around them; there were very many lying in the valley, and they were very dry. He said to me, “Mortal, can these bones live?” I answered, “O Lord God, you know.” Then he said to me, “Prophesy to these bones, and say to them: O dry bones, hear the word of the Lord. Thus says the Lord God to these bones: I will cause breath to enter you, and you shall live. I will lay sinews on you, and will cause flesh to come upon you, and cover you with skin, and put breath in you, and you shall live; and you shall know that I am the Lord.”

So I prophesied as I had been commanded; and as I prophesied, suddenly there was a noise, a rattling, and the bones came together, bone to its bone. I looked, and there were sinews on them, and flesh had come upon them, and skin had covered them; but there was no breath in them. Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath, prophesy, mortal, and say to the breath: Thus says the Lord God: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live.” I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, and stood on their feet, a vast multitude.

Then he said to me, “Mortal, these bones are the whole house of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up, and our hope is lost; we are cut off completely.’ Therefore prophesy, and say to them, Thus says the Lord God: I am going to open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people; and I will bring you back to the land of Israel. And you shall know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves, and bring you up from your graves, O my people. I will put my spirit within you, and you shall live, and I will place you on your own soil; then you shall know that I, the Lord, have spoken and will act,” says the Lord.

After Lesson the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

Answer Thanks be to God.

A Song of Penitence prayed together Prayer of Manasseh, 1–2, 4, 6–7, 11–15

O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven,*
   God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,
   and of all their righteous offspring:
You made the heavens and the earth,*
   with all their vast array.
All things quake with fear at your presence;*
   they tremble because of your power.
But your merciful promise is beyond all measure;*
it surpasses all that our minds can fathom.

O Lord, you are full of compassion, *
long-suffering, and abounding in mercy.
You hold back your hand; *
you do not punish as we deserve.
In your great goodness, Lord,
you have promised forgiveness to sinners, *
that they may repent of their sin and be saved.
And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart, *
and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness.

I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, *
and I know my wickedness only too well.
Therefore I make this prayer to you: *
Forgive me, Lord, forgive me.
Do not let me perish in my sin, *
nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.
For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent, *
and in me you will show forth your goodness.

Unworthy as I am, you will save me,
in accordance with your great mercy, *
and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life.
For all the powers of heaven sing your praises, *
and yours is the glory to ages of ages. Amen.

Second Reading

A Reading from the Gospel of John

John 11:1-45

Now a certain man was ill, Lazarus of Bethany, the village of Mary and her sister Martha. Mary was the one who anointed the Lord with perfume and wiped his feet with her hair; her brother Lazarus was ill. So the sisters sent a message to Jesus, “Lord, he whom you love is ill.” But when Jesus heard it, he said, “This illness does not lead to death; rather it is for God’s glory, so that the Son of God may be glorified through it.” Accordingly, though Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, after having heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

Then after this he said to the disciples, “Let us go to Judea again.” The disciples said to him, “Rabbi, the Jews were just now trying to stone you, and are you going there again?” Jesus answered, “Are there not twelve hours of daylight? Those who walk during the day do not stumble, because they see the light of this world. But those who walk at night stumble, because the light is not in them.” After saying this, he told them, “Our friend Lazarus has fallen asleep, but I am going there to awaken him.” The disciples said to him, “Lord, if he has fallen asleep, he will be all right.” Jesus, however, had been speaking about his death, but they thought that he was referring merely to sleep. Then Jesus told them plainly, “Lazarus is dead. For your sake I am glad I was not there, so that you may
believe. But let us go to him.” Thomas, who was called the Twin, said to his fellow disciples, “Let us also go, that we may die with him.”

When Jesus arrived, he found that Lazarus had already been in the tomb four days. Now Bethany was near Jerusalem, some two miles away, and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them about their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus was coming, she went and met him, while Mary stayed at home. Martha said to Jesus, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died. But even now I know that God will give you whatever you ask of him.” Jesus said to her, “Your brother will rise again.” Martha said to him, “I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day.” Jesus said to her, “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” She said to him, “Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one coming into the world.”

When she had said this, she went back and called her sister Mary, and told her privately, “The Teacher is here and is calling for you.” And when she heard it, she got up quickly and went to him. Now Jesus had not yet come to the village, but was still at the place where Martha had met him. The Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary get up quickly and go out. They followed her because they thought that she was going to the tomb to weep there. When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, “Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died.” When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, “Take away the stone.” Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, “Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days.” Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me.” When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, “Unbind him, and let him go.”

Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what Jesus did, believed in him.

After Lesson the Reader says

The Word of the Lord.

Answer

Thanks be to God.
The Apostles’ Creed

*Officiant and People together, all standing*

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

*The people stand or kneel*

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

*Officiant and People*

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.
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V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
R. **And grant us your salvation.**
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
R. **Let your people sing with joy.**
V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
R. **For only in you can we live in safety.**
V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
R. **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
V. Let your way be known upon earth;
R. **Your saving health among all nations.**
V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
R. **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
R. **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you alone can bring into order the unruly wills and affections of sinners: Grant your people grace to love what you command and desire what you promise; that, among the swift and varied changes of the world, our hearts may surely there be fixed where true joys are to be found; 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 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.**

The Sermon

The Reverend Nancy L.J. Cox

Musical Offering

This is the air I breathe

Marie Barnett

This is the air that I breathe,
This is the air that I breathe;
Your holy presence living in me.
This is my daily bread,
This is my daily bread;
Your very word spoken to me.

And I, I’m desperate for you.
And I, I’m lost without you.

This is the air that I breathe,
This is the air that I breathe;  
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Litany amidst the COVID-19 outbreak  
Michael Kurth

God the Father,  
Have mercy on us.

God the Son,  
Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,  
Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God,  
Have mercy on us.

Most merciful God, we come to you in this time of anxiety and uncertainty surrounding the outbreak of COVID-19. As the sorrows of our heart and mind increase, we beseech you to save us from all trouble and fear. Be our rock, a castle to keep us safe. For the Lord is our stronghold and sure defense, and he will be our Savior.

Receive all who have died into the arms of your mercy, grant them eternal peace, and surround those who mourn with your healing grace.  
Lord, hear our prayer.

Help those directly infected with the virus recover in good health and restore them in body, mind and spirit.  
Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep those at high risk of infection healthy and free from all sickness.  
Lord, hear our prayer.

May those in quarantine, those shut-in, and those who are infirm find peace. Lord, keep them in good health, and renew their mind and spirit.  
Lord, hear our prayer.

Protect doctors, nurses, and medical staff as they minister to the sick, relieve their stress, and provide the resources and space to meet the needs their patients.  
Lord, hear our prayer.
Guard first responders from all harm, and grant them strength and courage as they respond to calls for help.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Preserve the health of those who must report to work as their community shuts down, bestow the resources to best care for themselves and their families, and assure them in times of financial and medical anxiety.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Have mercy on those experiencing financial loss, alleviate their fears, and provide for them daily bread.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Help the leaders of this nation and the world make sound and safe decisions to best secure the future of our planet.

Lord, hear our prayer.

As schools close, feed those who will go hungry without guaranteed meals and shelter all students who have no place to live.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Inspire scientists and those working to find a cure with your truth, and help them discover and disseminate a vaccine and cure.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Protect journalists from harm in their reporting, move them to be a vector of truth in times of uncertainty.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Embolden this church and all places of worship to be beacons of hope and love. Help us to gather however and wherever we can to give you praise.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Support the leaders of our church as they minister to your flock; fortify them to be faithful pastors, to persevere in prayer, and to build up the family of God in new and creative ways.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Spare young people from fear and keep them a joyful sign of your love and light.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Build up the strength and fortitude of parents, and give them the words and witness to be wise counselors and compassionate caregivers.

Lord, hear our prayer.

As the waves toss our boat, create calm, remind us that with you all things are possible and we have nothing to fear, for with you all things are possible. Even the wind and sea obey you.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Stir up in us a spirit of compassion and tenacity for the time ahead.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Ease our fear and anxiety, that we may share our resources, and extend a helping hand to those in need.

Lord, hear our prayer.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, healer of the sick, ruler of the tempestuous sea, and Savior of the world.

Amen.
The General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

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.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common  
supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three  
are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires  
and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age  
to come life everlasting. Amen.

Let us bless the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

The Officiant may then conclude with

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
Prayers for the Parish

Prayers have been requested for: Ashley, Avery, Barrington, Bob, Carole, Celeste, Chuck, Gillian, Robin, Simone, Steve, Sophia, Winslow

Grapevine | News from the Parish

We offer condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Jean Birch, aunt of Julia Davison, who entered into the Resurrection on Monday, March 23 at home in Solihull, England.

We offer condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Louise Bystricky, mother of Kathy Oxx, who entered into the Resurrection on Thursday, March 26.

We offer thanks for the provision of Emily Badgett for such a time as this. Emily will be serving on a very part-time basis helping All Saints' with Christian Education before she begins her Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program this summer.