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Bless the Lord, my soul, and bless God's ho - ly name. \_\_\_\_\_

*p* Dm G Dm B $\flat$  C Dm

Bless the Lord, my soul, who leads me in - to life.

## The Litany of Praise

Celebrant: Jesus, Son of the living God, splendor of the Father, eternal light,

People: **we worship you.**

Celebrant: Jesus, gentle and humble of heart, our help and our refuge,

People: **we worship you.**

Celebrant: Jesus, God of peace, friend of all, source of life and of holiness,

People: **fullness comes from you and we worship you.**

Celebrant: Jesus, brother of the poor, goodness without measure, inexhaustible wisdom,

People: **we worship you.**

Celebrant: Jesus, good shepherd, true light, our way and our life,

People: **we worship you.**

Celebrant: Jesus, joy of the angels, master of the apostles, strength of the martyrs,

People: **we worship you.**

Celebrant: Jesus, light of the witnesses to the Gospel, radiance of all the saints,

People: **you satisfy our longing and we worship you.**

## Reading

ISAIAH 49:1-7 (NRSV)

Listen to me, O coastlands,  
pay attention, you peoples from far away!  
The LORD called me before I was born,  
while I was in my mother's womb he named me.  
He made my mouth like a sharp sword,  
in the shadow of his hand he hid me;  
he made me a polished arrow,  
in his quiver he hid me away.  
And he said to me, "You are my servant,  
Israel, in whom I will be glorified."  
But I said, "I have labored in vain,  
I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity;  
yet surely my cause is with the LORD,  
and my reward with my God."  
And now the LORD says,  
who formed me in the womb to be his servant,  
to bring Jacob back to him,  
and that Israel might be gathered to him,  
for I am honored in the sight of the LORD,  
and my God has become my strength –

he says,

"It is too light a thing that you should be my servant  
to raise up the tribes of Jacob  
and to restore the survivors of Israel;  
I will give you as a light to the nations,  
that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth."

Thus says the LORD,  
the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One,  
to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nations,  
the slave of rulers,  
"Kings shall see and stand up,  
princes, and they shall prostrate themselves,  
because of the LORD, who is faithful,  
the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you."

## Psalm 71:1-14

- 1 In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; \*  
let me never be ashamed.
- 2 In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; \*  
incline your ear to me and save me.
- 3 Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; \*  
you are my crag and my stronghold.
- 4 Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, \*  
from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.
- 5 For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, \*  
my confidence since I was young.
- 6 I have been sustained by you ever since I was born;  
from my mother's womb you have been my strength; \*  
my praise shall be always of you.
- 7 I have become a portent to many; \*  
but you are my refuge and my strength.

- 8 Let my mouth be full of your praise \*  
and your glory all the day long.
- 9 Do not cast me off in my old age; \*  
forsake me not when my strength fails.
- 10 For my enemies are talking against me, \*  
and those who lie in wait for my life take counsel together.
- 11 They say, "God has forsaken him; go after him and seize him; \*  
because there is none who will save."
- 12 O God, be not far from me; \*  
come quickly to help me, O my God.
- 13 Let those who set themselves against me be put to shame and be disgraced; \*  
let those who seek to do me evil be covered with scorn and reproach.
- 14 But I shall always wait in patience, \*  
and shall praise you more and more.

## Reading

John 12:20-36 (NRSV)

Now among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. They came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and said to him, "Sir, we wish to see Jesus." Philip went and told Andrew; then Andrew and Philip went and told Jesus. Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. Very truly, I tell you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains just a single grain; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. Those who love their life lose it, and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life. Whoever serves me must follow me, and where I am, there will my servant be also. Whoever serves me, the Father will honor.

"Now my soul is troubled. And what should I say – 'Father, save me from this hour'? No, it is for this reason that I have come to this hour. Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven, "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." The crowd standing there heard it and said that it was thunder. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not for mine. Now is the judgment of this world; now the ruler of this world will be driven out. And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." He said this

to indicate the kind of death he was to die. The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Messiah remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" Jesus said to them, "The light is with you for a little longer. Walk while you have the light, so that the darkness may not overtake you. If you walk in the darkness, you do not know where you are going. While you have the light, believe in the light, so that you may become children of light."

## Homily

The Reverend Nancy L. J. Cox

Stay with us, O Lord Jesus Christ, night will soon fall. Then  
Bleib mit deiner Gnade bei uns, Herr Jesus Christ. Ach,

stay with us, O Lord Jesus Christ, light in our dark-ness.  
bleib mit deiner Gnade bei uns, du treuer Gott.

## Silence

## Intercessions

Celebrant: O Christ, your life was no triumph, you carried a cross;

People: **may we walk along the same road as you.**

Celebrant: O Christ, by your suffering you learned faithfulness;

People: **you became a source of eternal salvation for the whole human race.**

Celebrant: O Christ, when threatened you did not retaliate;

People: **enable us to forgive to the very end.**  
Celebrant: O Christ, you see the pain of those who are exiled and abandoned;  
People: **take their suffering upon yourself.**  
Celebrant: O Christ, when lies and worries try to separate us from you,  
People: **your Holy Spirit is always with us.**  
Celebrant: O Christ, you are the happiness of those who follow you:  
People: **enable us to live by your trust.**  
Celebrant: O Christ, our life is hidden with you in God;  
People: **that is a joy that touches the depths of the soul.**

## Confession

*Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.*

## Silence

**God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

## Absolution

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.**

## Prayers

O God, by the passion of your blessed Son you made an instrument of shameful death to be for us the means of life: Grant us so to glory in the cross of Christ, that we may gladly suffer shame and loss for the sake of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Holy and immortal God, from earliest times you have named us and called us into discipleship. Teach us to follow the One whose light scatters the darkness of our world so that we may then walk as children of the light. **Amen.**

**Bless us, Lord Christ; you burn away the trials of life in the fire of your presence. You offer all we need to soothe and heal our wounds. Amen.**

## The Lord's Prayer

*Officiant and People*

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

## Solemn Prayer

Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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## Prayers for the Parish

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

We also offer special prayers for protection and strength for those working in healthcare. We pray for their beloved families and the difficult decisions that have to be made as they navigate the tensions of dangerous work and home concerns.

## Grapevine | News from the Parish

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We offer condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Wendy Franklin, dear friend of Anna Robinson, who entered into the Resurrection on Tuesday, March 31.

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.

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.

## Giving

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Thank you for your faithful giving. Maintaining your pledge is critical to the financial health of the congregation. Over 80% of All Saints' 2020 monthly budget represents fixed expenses that must be paid, even though we are not meeting in person. Please continue! We continue to trust in the Lord and faithfully look to Him for guidance and protection in these uncertain times.

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