

The Week of Judica / 5 Lent

Thursday /02 April 2020

Matins / Morning Prayer

(L: Leader; C: Congregation)

Opening

L: O Lord, open my lips,

C: and my mouth will declare your praise.

L: Make haste, O God to deliver me;

C: make haste to help me, O Lord.

**Glory be 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.
Praise to you, O Christ, Lamb of our salvation.**

L: Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: The Lord has redeemed His people.

Venite (Psalm 95:1-7)

C: O come, let us sing to the Lord,

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving;

let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise.

For the Lord is a great God

and a great king above all gods.

In his hands are the depths of the earth;

the heights of the mountains are His also.

The sea is His, for He made it;

and His hand formed the dry land.

O come, let us worship and bow down;

let us 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.

L: Blessed be God, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: The Lord has redeemed His people.

Psalm 69:33-36

C: For the LORD hears the needy
and does not despise his own people who are prisoners.
Let heaven and earth praise him,
the seas and everything that moves in them.
For God will save Zion and build up the cities of Judah,
and people shall dwell there and possess it;
the offspring of his servants shall inherit it,
and all those who love his name shall dwell in it.

The Hebrew Scriptures (Exodus 4:19-31)

L: A reading from Exodus:

¹⁹ And the LORD said to Moses in Midian, “Go back to Egypt, for all the men who were seeking your life are dead.” ²⁰ So Moses took his wife and his sons and had them ride on a donkey, and went back to the land of Egypt. And Moses took the staff of God in his hand.

²¹ And the LORD said to Moses, “When you go back to Egypt, see that you do before Pharaoh all the miracles that I have put in your power. But I will harden his heart, so that he will not let the people go. ²² Then you shall say to Pharaoh, ‘Thus says the LORD, Israel is my firstborn son, ²³ and I say to you, “Let my son go that he may serve me.” If you refuse to let him go, behold, I will kill your firstborn son.’”

²⁴ At a lodging place on the way the LORD met him and sought to put him to death. ²⁵ Then Zipporah took a flint and cut off her son's foreskin and touched Moses' feet with it and said, “Surely you are a bridegroom of blood to me!” ²⁶ So he let him alone. It was then that she said, “A bridegroom of blood,” because of the circumcision.

²⁷ The LORD said to Aaron, “Go into the wilderness to meet Moses.” So he went and met him at the mountain of God and kissed him. ²⁸ And Moses told Aaron all the words of the LORD with which he had sent him to speak, and all the signs that he had commanded him to do. ²⁹ Then Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the people of Israel. ³⁰ Aaron spoke all the words that the LORD had spoken to Moses and did the signs in the sight of the people. ³¹ And the people believed; and

when they heard that the LORD had visited the people of Israel and that he had seen their affliction, they bowed their heads and worshiped.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Christian Scriptures (Mark 15:16-32)

L: A reading from the Gospel according to St. Mark:

¹⁶ And the soldiers led [Jesus] away inside the palace (that is, the governor's headquarters),^[L] and they called together the whole battalion.^[L] ¹⁷ And they clothed him in a purple cloak, and twisting together a crown of thorns, they put it on him. ¹⁸ And they began to salute him, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ¹⁹ And they were striking his head with a reed and spitting on him and kneeling down in homage to him. ²⁰ And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. And they led him out to crucify him.

²¹ And they compelled a passerby, Simon of Cyrene, who was coming in from the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus, to carry his cross. ²² And they brought him to the place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull). ²³ And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh, but he did not take it. ²⁴ And they crucified him and divided his garments among them, casting lots for them, to decide what each should take. ²⁵ And it was the third hour^[L] when they crucified him. ²⁶ And the inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." ²⁷ And with him they crucified two robbers, one on his right and one on his left.^[L] ²⁹ And those who passed by derided him, wagging their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, ³⁰ save yourself, and come down from the cross!" ³¹ So also the chief priests with the scribes mocked him to one another, saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. ³² Let the Christ, the King of Israel, come down now from the cross that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also reviled him.

L: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Responsory for Lent

- L:** We have an advocate with the Father;
Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
- C:** **He was delivered up to death;**
He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- L:** Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven
and whose sin is put away.
- C:** **He was delivered up to death;**
He was delivered for the sins of the people.
- L:** We have an advocate with the Father;
Jesus is the propitiation for our sins.
- C:** **He was delivered up to death;**
He was delivered for the sins of the people.

A homily may be inserted here.

Te Deum

- C:** ¹We praise You, O God; we acknowledge You to be the Lord.
All the earth now worships You, The Father everlasting.
To You all angels cry aloud, the heavens and all the pow'rs therein.
To You cherubim and seraphim continually do cry:
- ²Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth;
heaven and earth are full of the majesty of Your glory.
The glorious company of the apostles praise You.
The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise You.
- ³The noble army of martyrs praise You.
The holy Church throughout all the world does acknowledge You:
You are the king of glory, O Christ;
You are the everlasting Son of the Father.
- ⁵When You took upon Yourself to deliver man,
You humbled Yourself to be born of a virgin.
When You had overcome the sharpness of death,
You opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.
- ⁶You sit at the right hand of God
in the glory of the Father.
We believe that You will come
to be our judge.

⁷We therefore pray You to help Your servants,
whom You have redeemed with Your precious blood.
Make them to be numbered with Your saints
in glory everlasting.
⁸O Lord, save Your people and bless Your heritage.
Govern them and lift them up forever.
Day by day we magnify You.
And we worship your name forever and ever.
⁹Grant, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin.
O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.
O Lord, let Your mercy be upon us, as our trust is in You.
O Lord, in You have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

Kyrie

C: Lord, have mercy;
Christ, have mercy;
Lord, have mercy.

The Lord's Prayer

C: Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed by 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,
forever and ever.
Amen.

Collect

L: O Lord, hear my prayer.

C: **And let my cry come to you.**

L: We pray: Almighty and everlasting God, You sent Your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ, to take upon Himself our flesh and to suffer death upon the cross. Mercifully grant that we may follow the example of His great humility and patience and be made partakers of His resurrection; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

Prayer

L: O Lord God, the life of all the living, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labor, the repose of the blessed dead, grant us Your Holy Spirit that whatever disturbances come our way, we may always be enabled to love our neighbor, and give thanks to You.

Lord in your mercy:

C: **Hear our prayer.**

L: O Lord, shed Your Holy Spirit upon Your people and make ready our hearts this day to keep Your holy Word that in the communion of Your saints, we may rightly sanctify this day.

Lord in your mercy:

C: **Hear our prayer.**

L: Merciful Father, in this time of sickness and disease, we implore You: let not the hearts of Your people despair, nor let our faith fail us. Rather, sustain and comfort us. Bring hope and healing that we may find relief and restoration.

Lord in your mercy:

C: **Hear our prayer.**

L: We pray together:

C: I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.
Amen.

Benedicamus & Benediction

L: Let us bless the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with us all.

C: **Amen.**