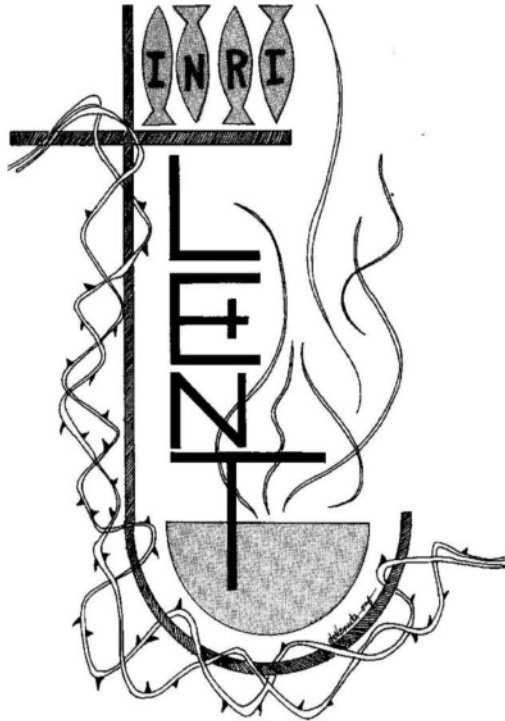


Daily Evening Prayer

Rite Two



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Prelude

The Celebrant opens with the following...

Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. *Psalm 141:2*

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2*

Worship the Lord in the beauty of his holiness; let the whole earth tremble before him. *Psalm 96:9*

Yours is the day, O God, yours also the night; you established the moon and the sun. You fixed all the boundaries of the earth; you made both summer and winter. *Psalm 74:15,16*

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night. I have set the Lord always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not fall. *Psalm 16:7,8*

Seek him who made the Pleiades and Orion, and turns deep darkness into the morning, and darkens the day into night; who calls for the waters of the sea and pours them out upon the surface of the earth: The Lord is his name. *Amos 5:8*

If I say, "Surely the darkness will cover me, and the light around me turn to night," darkness is not dark to you, O Lord; the night is as bright as the day; darkness and light to you are both alike. *Psalm 139:10,11*

Jesus said, "I am the light of the world; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life." *John 8:12*

Confession of Sin

BCP 116

The Celebrant says to the people...

Dear friends in Christ, here in the presence of Almighty God, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Silence is kept. Please kneel as you are able.

Celebrant & People:

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 Priest alone stands and 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.

Celebrant & People: Amen.

The Invitatory and Psalter

BCP 117

Please stand....

Celebrant: O God, make speed to save us.

People: **O Lord, make haste to help us.**

Celebrant & People continue...

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.

O Gracious Light *Phos hilaron*

Celebrant & People...

O gracious light, pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven, O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed! Now as we come to the setting of the sun, and our eyes behold the vesper light, we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices, O Son of God, O Giver of Life, and to be glorified through all the worlds.

The Psalm

Please see the insert for the Psalm and read together.

Celebrant & 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.

THE LESSON

Please be seated and see either your Bible or the inserts for the Reading. Readings are listed on the final page of the bulletin for the next 3 Wednesdays.

First Reading

The Song of Mary

Magnificat

Luke 1:46-55

Celebrant & People:

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; * for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.

From this day all generations will call me blessed: * the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.

He has mercy on those who fear him * in every generation.

He has shown the strength of his arm, * he has scattered the proud in their conceit.

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, * and has lifted up the lowly.

He has filled the hungry with good things, * and the rich he has sent away empty.

He has come to the help of his servant Israel, * for he has remembered his promise of mercy,

The promise he made to our fathers, * to Abraham and his children 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 Song of Simeon

Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29-32

Celebrant & People...

Lord, you now have set your servant free * to go in peace as you have promised;

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, * whom you have prepared for all the world to see:

A Light to enlighten the nations, * and the glory of your people Israel.

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.

Please stand as you are able and see either your Bible or the inserts for the Reading. Readings are listed on the final page of the bulletin for the next 3 Wednesdays.

The Gospel Reading

“A Few Thoughts”

The Rev. Betty McWhorter

Please be seated.

The Apostles' Creed

BCP 120

Please stand.

Celebrant & People...

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

BCP 121

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Celebrant 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.

Suffrage B

BCP 122

Celebrant: That this evening may be holy,
good, and peaceful,

People: **We entreat you, O Lord.**

Celebrant: That your holy angels may lead us
in paths of peace and goodwill,

People: **We entreat you, O Lord.**

Celebrant: That we may be pardoned and
forgiven for our sins and offenses,

People: **We entreat you, O Lord.**

Celebrant: That there may be peace to your
Church and to the whole world,

People: **We entreat you, O Lord.**

Celebrant: That we may depart this life in
your faith and fear, and not be
condemned before the great
judgment seat of Christ,

People: **We entreat you, O Lord.**

Celebrant: That we may be bound together
by your Holy Spirit in the
communion of all your saints,
entrusting one another and all our
life to Christ,

People: **We entreat you, O Lord.**

The Collect of the Day

Please see the insert for the Collect.

A Collect for Peace

Celebrant:

Most holy God, the source of all good
desires, all right judgements, and all just
works: Give to us, your servants, that
peace which the world cannot give, so
that our minds may be fixed on the doing
of your will, and that we, being delivered
from the fear of all enemies, may live in

peace and quietness; through the mercies
of Christ Jesus our Savior.

Celebrant & People: **Amen.**

A Collect for Aid against Perils

Celebrant:

Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in
our great mercy defend us from all perils
and dangers of this night; for the love of
your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ.

Celebrant & People: **Amen.**

A Collect for Protection

Celebrant:

O God, the life of all who live, the light of
the faithful, the strength of those who
labor, and the repose of the dead: We
thank you for the blessings of the day that
is past, and humbly ask for your
protection through the coming night.
Bring us in safety to the morning hours;
through him who died and rose again for
us, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ.

Celebrant & People: **Amen.**

A Collect for the Presence of Christ

Celebrant:

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at
hand and the day is past; be our
companion in the way, kindle our hearts,
and awaken hope, that we may know you
as you are revealed in Scripture and the
breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake
of your love.

Celebrant & People: **Amen.**

A Prayer for Mission

Celebrant:

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who
work, or watch, or weep this night, and
give your angels charge over those who
sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest

to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake

Celebrant & People: **Amen.**

We pray for those with immediate needs:

The Stone Family	Bonnie Murphy
Bill Schwaab	Katacha Diaz
The Hakala Family	Bob Wilson
Shawn & Kathryn	Garrett White
Rachel & Family	Ashley Lertora

and those with long-term needs:

Carl & Carol Abraham	Paul Penner
The Miner Family	Michelle
Marilyn Anderson	Martha Price
Sandy & Jay Simon	Sue Skinner
Sister Marcia Hobart	Rüdiger & Birgit
David & Jan Dolber	David
Monny & Helen Sklov	Tish Tarver
Crystal Herren	Gwen Adams
William Paul Laaser	Judy C
Lee Hadley	Steve Berk
Donna & James Berkey	Bill & Bev
Tammy McMillin	Nona
Karin Temple	Bob Spitzer
Cody	Molly
Katie Anastadiadis	Zachary
Rowan	Maxwell
Britta	Jana Libby
Kathleen Grainger	Phil LaGro
Ian	Art McClure
Zarine Rana	Cheryl Everton
Ann Everton	Evan Zuvich
Michael McGonigle	Pam Van Orman
Alan & NancyLee Batchelder	

[Here other intercessions may be offered.]

The General Thanksgiving

Celebrant & 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

Celebrant & People:

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.

Celebrant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The Celebrant concludes the service with the following...

Celebrant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God, and the
fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be
with us all evermore.

People: **Amen.** *2 Corinthians 13:14*

Celebrant: May the God of hope fill us with all
joy and peace in believing through
the power of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.** *Romans 15:13*

Celebrant: 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.

People: **Amen.** *Ephesians 3:20,21*



LENT

The Readings for Wednesday, March 18

Psalm 81; Psalm 82; Genesis 45:16-28; Mark 6:13-29

The Readings for Wednesday, March 25

Psalm 119:121-144; Genesis 50:15-26; Mark 8:11-26

The Readings for Wednesday, April 1

Psalm 128; Psalm 129; Psalm 130; Exodus 7:8-24; Mark 10:1-16

