

Daily Evening Prayer: Rite Two

This liturgy will be used throughout the Easter season April 4 – May 22, 2021. Special prayers may be inserted as we go along.

The Officiant begins the service with the following sentences of Scripture found in Morning Prayer.

***Easter Season, including Ascension Day
and the Day of Pentecost***

BCP, p. 77

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

On this day the Lord has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

Psalm 118:24

Thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Corinthians 15:57

If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God.

Colossians 3:1

Christ has entered, not into a sanctuary made with hands, a copy of the true one, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf.

Hebrews 9:24

You shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witness in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

Acts 1:8

Confession of Sin

BCP, p. 116

Officiant

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 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.

People Amen.

The Invitatory and Psalter

BCP, p. 117

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

People O Lord, make haste to help us.

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*

BCP, p. 83

1 Corinthians 5:7-8; Romans 6:9-11; 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

Alleluia.

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed for us; *

therefore let us keep the feast,

Not with the 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.

Then follows The Psalm or Psalms Appointed

April 7: 115 (BCP, p. 757)
April 14: 12, 13, 14 (BCP, p. 597)
April 21: 119:25-48 (BCP, p. 765)
April 28: 49, (53) (BCP, p. 652; 658)
May 5: 119:73-96 (BCP, p. 769)
May 12: 68:1-20 Eve of the Ascension (BCP, p. 676)
May 19: 119:121-144 (BCP, p. 773)

At the end of the Psalms is sung or said

*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.***

The First Lesson

April 7: Micah 7:7-15
April 14: Daniel 2:17-30
April 21: Daniel 5:1-12
April 28: Wisdom 4:16-5:8
May 5: Wisdom 13:1-9
May 12: 2 Kings 2:1-15 (Eve of the Ascension)
May 19: Ezekiel 11:14-25

After each Lesson the Reader says

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

*People **Thanks be to God.***

Silence may be kept after each Reading.

18 A Song to the Lamb *Dignus es*

BCP, p. 93

Revelation 4:11, 5:9-10, 13

Splendor and honor and kingly power *
are yours by right, O Lord our God,
For you created everything that is, *
and by your will they were created and have their being;
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, *
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,
From every family, language, people, and nation, *
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.

And so, to him who sits upon the throne, *
and to Christ the Lamb,
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, *
for ever and for evermore.

The Second Lesson

April 7: John 15:1-11

April 14: John 17:20-26

April 21: Luke 4:38-44

April 28: Luke 6:27-38

May 5: Luke 8:16-25

May 12: Rev. 5:1-14 (Eve of the Ascension)

May 19: Luke 10:17-24

After the Lesson the Reader says

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

Silence may be kept after each Reading.

The Song of Simeon *Nunc Dimittis*

BCP, p. 120

Luke 2:29-32

*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.*

Just a few thoughts...

The Apostles' Creed

BCP, p. 120

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

BCP, p. 121

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.

Then follows one of these sets of Suffrages

Suffrages A

BCP, p. 121

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 by your Holy Spirit.*

Suffrages B

BCP, p. 122

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Officiant: 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.***

Officiant: 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 Officiant then says one or more of the following Collects

The Collect of the Day

April 7: BCP, p. 223 Wednesday in Easter Week

April 14: BCP, p. 224 Easter II

April 21: BCP, p. 224 Easter III

April 28: BCP, p. 225 Easter IV

May 5: BCP, p. 225 Easter V

May 12: BCP, p. 225 Easter VI; Ascension, BCP, p. 226

May 19: Rogation Day; BCP, p. 225 (Prayer 19) or p. 259 (Prayer 20)

A Collect for Peace

BCP, p. 123

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.

People Amen.

A Collect for Aid against Perils

BCP, p. 123

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

People Amen.

A Collect for Protection

BCP, p. 124

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.

People Amen.

A Collect for the Presence of Christ

BCP, p. 124

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.

People Amen.

One of these prayers for mission is added

BCP, p. 124

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship you, all nations obey you, all tongues confess and bless you, and men and women everywhere love you and serve you in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

or this

BCP, p. 124

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

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

People **Amen.**

or the following

BCP, p. 125

O God, you manifest in your servants the signs of your presence: Send forth upon us the spirit of love, that in companionship with one another your abounding grace may increase among us; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

Authorized intercessions and thanksgivings may follow.

Our Parish Prayer List

INSERT THE PRAYER LIST HERE

Before the close of the Office one or both of the following may be used

Night Prayer

(from The New Zealand Prayer Book)

Officiant and People

Lord, it is night. The night is for stillness. Let us be still in the presence of God. It is night after a long day. What has been done has been done; what has not been done has not been done; let it be. The night is dark. Let our fears of the darkness of the world and of our own lives rest in you. The night is quiet. Let the quietness of your peace enfold us, all dear to us, and all who have no peace. The night heralds the dawn. Let us look expectantly to a new day, new joys, new possibilities. In your name we pray. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

BCP, p. 126

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.

Then may be said

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

People: *Thanks be to God.*

The Officiant may then conclude with one of the following

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

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

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