

Daily Morning Prayer Rite II

Opening Hymn

LEVAS #62 “In Christ there is no East or West”

(all verses)

Illustrations by Annie D.

1 In Christ there is no East or West, in him no South or North,
but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide
earth.

2 In Him shall true hearts everywhere their high communion
find; His service is the golden cord close-binding humankind.

3 Join hands, disciples of the faith, whate'er your race may be!
Who serves my Father as his child is surely kin to me.

4 In Christ now meet both East and West, in him meet South and
North, all Christly souls are one in him, throughout the whole
wide earth.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People ***The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!***

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, all kneeling

**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 minister remains kneeling and says:

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

The Invitatory and Psalter

All stand

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.

Alleluia.

Jubilate *Psalm 100*

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him.

Alleluia.

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: Come let us adore him.

Alleluia.

The Psalm Psalm 22:24-30**BCP, p. 612**

Psalmist My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who
worship him.

People **The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the LORD shall praise him: *
"May your heart live for ever!"**

Psalmist All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to
the LORD, *
and all the families of the nations bow before him.

People **For kingship belongs to the LORD; *
he rules over the nations.**

Psalmist To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow down
in worship; *
all who go down to the dust fall before him.

People **My soul shall live for him;
my descendants shall serve him; *
they shall be known as the LORD'S for ever.**

Psalmist They shall come and make known to a people yet
unborn *
the saving deeds that he has done.

**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 Lessons

The First Lesson is from Acts 8:26-40

Then an angel of the Lord said to Philip, “Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza.” (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, “Go over to this chariot and join it.” So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, “Do you understand what you are reading?” He replied, “How can I, unless someone guides me?” And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this:

“Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter,
and like a lamb silent before its shearer,
so he does not open his mouth.

In his humiliation justice was denied him.

Who can describe his generation?

For his life is taken away from the earth.”

The eunuch asked Philip, “About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?” Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, “Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?” He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip

baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

18 A Song to the Lamb *Dignus es*
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 is from the Epistle of 1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever

does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us.

God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

21 You are God *Te Deum laudamus*

You are God: we praise you;

You are the Lord; we acclaim you;

You are the eternal Father:

All creation worships you.

To you all angels, all the powers of heaven,

Cherubim and Seraphim, sing in endless praise:

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.

The glorious company of apostles praise you.

The noble fellowship of prophets praise you.

The white-robed army of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the holy Church acclaims you;

Father, of majesty unbounded,
your true and only Son, worthy of all worship,
and the Holy Spirit, advocate and guide.

You, Christ, are the king of glory,

the eternal Son of the Father.

When you became man to set us free

you did not shun the Virgin's womb.

You overcame the sting of death

and opened the kingdom of heaven to all believers.

You are seated at God's right hand in glory.

We believe that you will come and be our judge.

Come then, Lord, and help your people,
bought with the price of your own blood,
and bring us with your saints
to glory everlasting.

A reading from the Gospel of John 15:1-8.

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples.

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

People **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.

**Hymn: #473 “Lift high the cross”
(verses 1-3)**

Tune: Crucifier *Illustrations Karin T.*

[Refrain:]

Lift High the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred Name.

1 Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine. (Refrain)

2 Each newborn servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died. (Refrain)

3 O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. (Refrain)

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.**

Suffrages A

- 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

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Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Peace

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer for Mission

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know you to the knowledge and love of you; for the honor of your Name. **Amen.**

Hymn: #204 “Now the green blade riseth”

(all verses)

Tune: Noël Nouvelet

Illustrations Brenda P.

1 Now the green blade riseth from the buried grain,
wheat that in dark earth many days has lain;
love lives again, that with the dead has been: (Refrain)

Refrain:

Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

2 In the grave they laid him, Love wh3 om hate had slain,
thinking that never he would wake again,
laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen: (Refrain)

Refrain:

Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

3 Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
he that for three days in the grave had lain,
quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen: (Refrain)

Refrain:

Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

4 When our hearts are wintry, grieving, or in pain,
thy touch can call us back to life again,
fields of our hearts that dead and bare have been: (Refrain)

Refrain:

Love is come again like wheat that springeth green.

The Prayers of the People

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The Leader and People pray responsively

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly
and humbly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all
people.**

Intercessor We pray especially for Justin, the Archbishop of
Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Diana, our bishop;
and Carren, our newly called rector; for all bishops, priests, and
deacons;

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your
Word and Sacraments.**

Intercessor We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world,

People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Intercessor

We give thanks for the birthdays of Margaret H. and Muschi M. We give thanks for the altar flowers given in memory of Natalie Cellars by Connie and Bruce Halperin.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Intercessor Please join me now in praying for those for whom we have been asked to pray: **Kathleen, Katacha, Ian, Connie and Alan, Gary, Kate and Rodney, Rosie, Cooper, Cathy, Carol, Natalie, Carl, The Miner Family, Sandy & Jay, Sister Marcia, Rüdiger, Monny & Helen, Tish, Gwen, William Paul, Bob, Zachary, Sue, Pam, Phil, Zarine, Cheryl, Ann, Lee, Michael, Alan & NancyLee, the Hakala Family, Bonnie, Paul, Lorna, Belen, Mary, Tom, Debra, and Paula.**

Silence

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Intercessor Give to the departed, especially Nicholas Dan Zafiratos, eternal rest.

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered
into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly
kingdom.**

Intercessor *Let us pray for safe travel for Wendela and
Howard*

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of
others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Our Easter Prayer of Transition

Celebrant and People **O Lord Jesus Christ, beloved in
suffering and in triumph, joyfully we kneel before you in
thanksgiving for bringing us to another Easter after a year
that stretched from one never-ending Lent to another.
Through it all, you kept us in sacred trust toward the great
solace of the glory of your resurrection.**

**In the light of your presence, Lord, sustain us, we pray, in
further waiting for Carren, our new rector, for the end of
the pandemic, and for loudly raising our voices again in
praise of you, everliving God, Alleluia! Amen.**

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements made by Vestry person of the Day

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. Alleluia, Alleluia

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia**

Hymn: #344 “Lord dismiss us with thy blessing

(all verses)

Tune: Sicilian Mariners *Illustrations Jo P.*

1 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing;
fill our hearts with joy and peace;
let us each, thy love possessing,
triumph in redeeming grace:
O refresh us, O refresh us,
traveling through this wilderness.

2 Thanks we give and adoration
for thy Gospel's joyful sound:
may the fruits of thy salvation
in our hearts and lives abound:
ever faithful, ever faithful
to thy truth may we be found;

3 so that when thy love shall call us,
Savior, from the world away,
fear of death shall not appall us,
glad thy summons to obey.
May we ever, may we ever
reign with thee in endless day.

The Aaronic Benediction

Numbers 6:22-27

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to
shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his
countenance upon you, and give you peace. **Amen.**