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Morning Prayer

Officiant

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Officiant

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Officiant and 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.

Officiant

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all our 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*

The Invitatory and Psalter

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.

Jubilate Psalm 100

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.

Psalm 95:1-7a

- Come, let us sing to the LORD; * let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
- For the LORD is a great God, * and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and the heights of the hills are his also.
- The sea is his, for he made it, * and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, * and 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.

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.

A Reading from Ezekiel (34:11-16, 20-24)

Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Canticle 9 - The First Song of Isaiah

Surely, it is God who saves me;* I will trust in him and not be afraid.

For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,* and he will be my Savior.

Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing* from the springs of salvation.

And on that day you shall say,* Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;

Make his deeds known among the peoples;* see

that they remember that his Name is exalted.

Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things,* and this is known in all the world.

Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy,* for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel.

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.

A Reading from Ephesians (1:15-23)

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and vour love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all..

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Canticle 18 - A Song to the Lamb

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 Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ According to Matthew (25:31-46)

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, `Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

Silence for reflection

Fr. Haynes

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People together
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

Officiant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Officiant Let us pray.

Our father in heaven hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us this day 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, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

- 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.

Officiant

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Leader

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. We pray for the Anglican Communion, especially for the Dioceses of Sabongidda-Ora - (Nigeria), Dublin & Glendalough - (Ireland), Saldanha Bay - (Southern Africa), Duk -(South Sudan), Salisbury - (England), Dunedin - (Aotearoa NZ & Polynesia), Sambalpur - (North India), Dunkwa-on-Offin - (West Africa), Durgapur - (North India), San Diego - (The Episcopal Church), Durham - (England), San Joaquin - (The Episcopal Church), Dutse -(Nigeria), Kyoto - (Japan), and The Church of Bermuda: our diocese, especially for St. Hilda-St. Patrick's, Edmonds: Our Saviour, Monroe; and for our parish, especially our Sweet Potato Pie Buddy Group: Sue Inglis; Bea Stensrud; Jacquie, Bill, Kyle, and Avery Stanton; Ken, Julie, and Riley St. John; Sandy, John, Nadia, Nicholas, Peyton, and Preston Yoeun.

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. We pray for our armed forces, their families, and those who are deployed, especially for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.*

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. We thank you for all the blessings of this life, especially for those we now name.

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray for those on our prayer list and those in our hearts, praying especially for Lyn, Areewa, Brenda, Marisa, Sandy, Paulette, Erica, Rico, Steven, David, Hollie, Christine, Theresa, Beth, Justin, Saray, Julianne, Jessica, Antonette, Ryan, Jackie, Bill & Paula, Janis, Leif, Kari, Kathryn, Deb, Mike, Judy, Elizabeth, Milana McLead, Alisande, Jenny, Peggy, Gordon, Jerry, Debbie, Arne for all who suffer from COVID 19, their families, and friends, and for those we now name;

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Jim Oberg, that your will for them may be fulfilled. We pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy, *Hear our prayer*.

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Almighty God, by your Holy Spirit you have made us one with your saints in heaven and on earth: Grant that in our earthly pilgrimage we may always be supported by this fellowship of love and prayer, and know ourselves to be surrounded by their witness to your power and mercy. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whom all our intercessions are acceptable through the Spirit, and who lives and reigns for ever and ever. *Amen.*

Announcements, Birthdays, Anniversaries

After the Offering is collected and placed upon the altar, the following is sung

Song of Praise Hymn #380 vs. 3 Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and lovingkindness 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 Iesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

The Blessing

The Peace of God, which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

St. Matthew Mission Statement

To be a church that passionately embraces and values all people, growing in the love of Christ through word and action.

Officiant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing

in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.