



THE CHURCH
OF ST. MICHAEL & ST. GEORGE

The Order for Morning Prayer and Litany

The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 2020

Opening Sentences

Officiant I was glad when they said unto me,
“We will go into the house of the Lord.” *Psalm 122:1*

The Invitatory and Psalter

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.
People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

All 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.

¶ All say the Invitatory Canticle together, as follows

Invitatory Canticle

Jubilare Deo

PSALM 100

O be joyful in the Lord all ye lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves; *
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving
and into his courts with praise; *
be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.
For the Lord is gracious;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

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.

¶ All are then seated for the Psalm appointed for the day

Psalm 89:1–4, 15–18

Misericordias Domini

My song shall be alway of the loving-kindness of the Lord; *
with my mouth will I ever be showing thy truth from one generation to another.

For I have said, Mercy shall be set up for ever; *
thy truth shalt thou stablish in the heavens.

I have made a covenant with my chosen; *
I have sworn unto David my servant:

Thy seed will I stablish for ever, *
and set up thy throne from one generation to another.

Blessed is the people, O Lord, that can rejoice in thee; *
they shall walk in the light of thy countenance.

Their delight shall be daily in thy Name; *
and in thy righteousness shall they make their boast.

For thou art the glory of their strength, *
and in thy loving-kindness thou shalt lift up our horns.

For the Lord is our defence; *
the Holy One of Israel is our King.

¶ At the conclusion of the Psalmody the Gloria Patri is said by all

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

JEREMIAH 28:5-9

THEN THE PROPHET JEREMIAH SPOKE to Hanani'ah the prophet in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord make the words which you have prophesied come true, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. Yet hear now this word which I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes to pass, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

¶ *Following the Lesson, all stand for the Canticle*

Canticle *Surge, illuminare*

ISAIAH 60:1-3, 11a, 14c, 18-19

Arise, shine; for thy light is come, *
and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee.
For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, *
and gross darkness the people:
But the Lord shall arise upon thee, *
and his glory shall be seen upon thee.
And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, *
and kings to the brightness of thy rising.
Therefore thy gates shall be open continually; *
they shall not be shut day nor night.
They shall call thee, The city of the Lord, *
The Zion of the Holy One of Israel.
Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, *
wasting nor destruction within thy borders;
But thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, *
and thy gates Praise.
The sun shall be no more thy light by day; *
neither for brightness shall the moon give light unto thee:
But the Lord shall be unto thee an everlasting light, *
and thy God thy glory.

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.

¶ *All are seated*

The Second Lesson

MATTHEW 10:40-42

JESUS SAID, “He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives him who sent me. He who receives a prophet because he is a prophet shall receive a prophet’s reward, and he who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man shall receive a righteous man’s reward. And whoever gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he shall not lose his reward.”

¶ Following the Lesson, all stand for the Canticle

Canticle *Dignus es*

REVELATION 4:11; 5:9-10, 13

Thou art worthy, O Lord, *
to receive glory and honor and power:
For thou hast created all things, *
and for thy pleasure they are and were created.
Thou art worthy, O Lamb that wast slain, *
and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood
Out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; *
and hast made us unto our God kings and priests.
Blessing, and honor, and glory, and power *
be unto him that sitteth upon the throne
And unto the Lamb *
for ever and 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.

¶ All remain standing for the Apostles' Creed

The Apostles' Creed

¶ Said by the Officiant and People together, all standing

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, ✠
and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayers

¶ *The Officiant and People say the following*

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

¶ *Then the short form of the Lord's Prayer is said by all, kneeling*

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.

Amen.

¶ *Then follow these Suffrages, said by the Officiant and People*

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

People And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

People And make thy chosen people joyful.

Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

People For only in thee can we live in safety.

Officiant Lord, keep this nation under thy care;

People And guide us in the way of justice and truth.

Officiant Let thy way be known upon earth;

People Thy saving health among all nations.

Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

People Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;

People And sustain us with thy Holy Spirit.

The Collects

O ALMIGHTY GOD, who hast built thy Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *¶ People Amen.*

O GOD, WHO ART THE AUTHOR OF PEACE and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us, thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *¶ People Amen.*

O GOD, WHO HAST MADE of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after thee and find thee; bring the nations into thy fold; pour out thy Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of thy kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *¶ People Amen.*

The General Thanksgiving

¶ Said by the Officiant and People together

A LMIGHTY GOD, Father of all mercies,
we thine unworthy servants do give
thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all men.

We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,

by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

¶ Said by the Officiant

ALMIGHTY GOD, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee, and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *¶ People Amen.*

¶ All stand

Benedicamus Domino

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.


People Thanks be to God.

The Grace

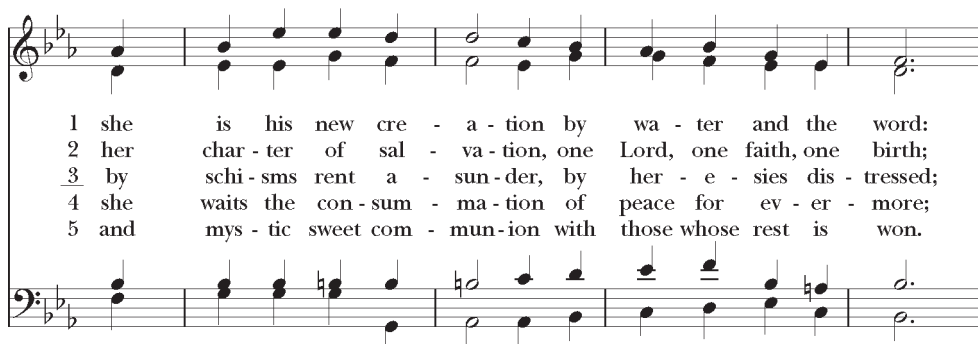
¶ Officiant

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *¶ People Amen.*

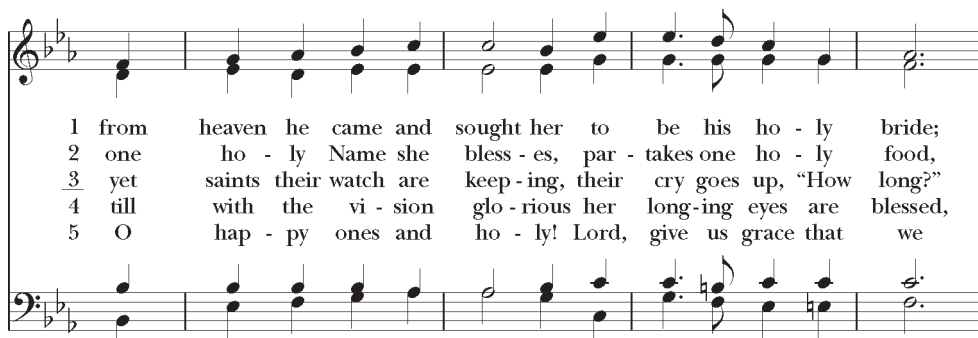
Hymn



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;
2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,
4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war
5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,



1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:
2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;
3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;
4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;
5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.



1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;
2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,
3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"
4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,
5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we

1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.
 2 and to one hope she presses, with every grace endowed.
 3 and soon the night of weeping shall be the morn of song.
 4 and the great Church victorious shall be the Church at rest.
 5 like them, the meek and lowly, on high may dwell with thee.

Words: Samuel John Stone (1839-1900)

Music: AURELIA, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876)

Sermon

The Rev. Peter James Speropulos

Anthem

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is;
 Blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

Words: Psalm 34:8

Music: Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

g All kneel

The Great Litany

Litanist O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,
People Have mercy upon us.

Litanist O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,
People Have mercy upon us.

Litanist O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faithful,
People Have mercy upon us.

Litanist O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,
People Have mercy upon us.

- Litanist* Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy preserve us for ever.
- People* Spare us, good Lord.
- Litanist* From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil; and from everlasting damnation,
- People* Good Lord, deliver us.
- Litanist* From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all want of charity,
- People* Good Lord, deliver us.
- Litanist* From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,
- People* Good Lord, deliver us.
- Litanist* From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word and commandment,
- People* Good Lord, deliver us.
- Litanist* From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine,
- People* Good Lord, deliver us.
- Litanist* From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,
- People* Good Lord, deliver us.
- Litanist* By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,
- People* Good Lord, deliver us.
- Litanist* By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the Holy Ghost,
- People* Good Lord, deliver us.
- Litanist* In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,
- People* Good Lord, deliver us.
- Litanist* We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in the right way,
- People* We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

- Litanist* That it may please thee to illumine all bishops, priests, and deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living, they may set it forth, and show it accordingly,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thy harvest, and to draw all mankind into thy kingdom,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to give to all people increase of grace to hear and receive thy Word, and to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to give us a heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after thy commandments,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of the United States, and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and love mercy, and walk in the ways of truth,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to make wars to cease in all the world; to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; and to bestow freedom upon all peoples,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, the homeless and the hungry, and all who are desolate and oppressed,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the bountiful fruits of the earth, so that in due time all may enjoy them,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to inspire us, in our several callings, to do the work which thou givest us to do with singleness of heart as thy servants, and for the common good,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

- Litanist* That it may please thee to preserve all who are in danger by reason of their labor or their travel,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to preserve, and provide for, all women in childbirth, young children and orphans, the widowed, and all whose homes are broken or torn by strife,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to visit the lonely; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, and spirit; and to comfort with thy presence those who are failing and infirm,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to have mercy upon all mankind,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy holy Word,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; to comfort and help the weak-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed ✠ eternal life and peace,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* That it may please thee to grant that, in the fellowship of the ever-blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed Michael and All Angels, Blessed George, and all the saints, we may attain to thy heavenly kingdom,
People We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.
- Litanist* Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.
People Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

Litanist O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
People Have mercy upon us.

Litanist O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
People Have mercy upon us.

Litanist O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,
People Grant us thy peace.

Litanist O Christ, hear us.
People O Christ, hear us.

Litanist Lord, have mercy upon us.
People Lord, have mercy upon us.

Litanist Christ, have mercy upon us.
People Christ, have mercy upon us.

Litanist Lord, have mercy upon us.
People Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Supplication

Officiant O Lord, arise, help us;
People And deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Officiant O God, we have heard with our ears, and our fathers have declared unto us, the noble works that thou didst in their days, and in the old time before them.
People O Lord, arise, help us; and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.
People O Lord, arise, help us; and deliver us for thy Name's sake.

Officiant From our enemies defend us, O Christ;
People Graciously behold our afflictions.

Officiant With pity behold the sorrows of our hearts;
People Mercifully forgive the sins of thy people.

Officiant Favorably with mercy hear our prayers;
People O Son of David, have mercy upon us.

Officiant Both now and ever vouchsafe to hear us, O Christ;
People Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.

‡ *The Officiant concludes*

Officiant Let us pray.

WE HUMBLY BESEECH THEE, O Father, mercifully to look upon our infirmities; and, for the glory of thy Name, turn from us all those evils that we most justly have deserved; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in thy mercy, and evermore serve thee in holiness and pureness of living, to thy honor and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord.

‡ *People Amen.*

The Blessing

GO FORTH INTO THE WORLD IN PEACE; be of good courage; hold fast to that which is good; render to no one evil for evil; strengthen the fainthearted; support the weak; help the afflicted; honour everyone; and the blessing of God Almighty, ✝ the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.

‡ *People Amen.*

Liturgical Music

George Oldroyd (1887-1956) was an English organist, composer, and teacher of Anglican church music. He served as organist of both St. Alban's Church, Holborn and of St Michael's Church, Croydon. His music is notable for its lush harmonic vocabulary, tuneful, folk-like melodies, and improvisatory elements. His *Liturgical Improvisation* which opens today's liturgy is very characteristic of his style. It is played at the Church of St. Michael & St. George by Nicholas Bideler, Associate Organist and Choirmaster.

Perhaps the most familiar statement about the Church in hymn literature, The Church's one foundation was written in response to new ways of interpreting scripture and as a defense of traditional scriptural understanding. Numerous New Testament allusions fill the text with vivid imagery.

The recording of the anthem *O taste and see!* by Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958) is sung by the Choir of the Church of St. Michael & St. George.

This chorale prelude on *Jesus Christus unser Heiland (Jesus Christ our Savior)* by Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707), which closes this morning's liturgy, is the only example of a trio setting by the composer. The melody is found in the upper voice while being supported by the bottom two voices. As the piece draws to a close, the voices modulate chromatically to emphasise the text "Lord, have mercy upon us" which concludes the hymn. It is played at the Church of St. Michael & St. George by Nicholas Bideler, Associate Organist and Choirmaster.



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