

THE CHURCH  
OF ST. MICHAEL & ST. GEORGE

# The Order for Morning Prayer

The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

October 25, 2020

## Opening Sentences

*Officiant* O send out thy light and thy truth, that they may lead me,  
and bring me unto thy holy hill, and to thy dwelling. *Psalm 43:3*

## Confession of Sin

*¶ The Officiant says*

**D**EARLY BELOVED, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, 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.

*¶ Officiant and People, all kneeling*

Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have erred and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep,  
we have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts,  
we have offended against thy holy laws,  
we have left undone those things which we ought to have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done;  
And there is no health in us.  
But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us,  
spare thou those who confess their faults,  
restore thou those who are penitent,  
according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord;  
and grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

¶ *The Officiant alone stands and says*

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution ✠ and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit.

¶ *People Amen.*

¶ *All stand*

## 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 1

*Beatus vir*

Blessed is the man that hath not walked in the counsel of the ungodly,  
nor stood in the way of sinners, \*  
and hath not sat in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight is in the law of the Lord; \*  
and in his law will he exercise himself day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the water-side, \*  
that will bring forth his fruit in due season.

His leaf also shall not wither; \*  
and look, whatsoever he doeth, it shall prosper.

As for the ungodly, it is not so with them; \*  
but they are like the chaff,  
which the wind scattereth away from the face of the earth.

Therefore the ungodly shall not be able to stand in the judgment, \*  
neither the sinners in the congregation of the righteous.

But the Lord knoweth the way of the righteous; \*  
and the way of the ungodly shall perish.

*¶ 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

LEVITICUS 19:1-2, 15-18

**A**ND THE LORD SAID TO MOSES, "Say to all the congregation of the people of Israel, You shall be holy; for I the Lord your God am holy. You shall do no injustice in judgment; you shall not be partial to the poor or defer to the great, but in righteousness shall you judge your neighbor. You shall not go up and down as a slanderer among your people, and you shall not stand forth against the life of your neighbor: I am the Lord. You shall not hate your brother in your heart, but you shall reason with your neighbor, lest you bear sin because of him. You shall not take vengeance or bear any grudge against the sons of your own people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the Lord."

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

### Canticle

*Quaerite Dominum*

ISAIAH 55:6-11

Seek ye the Lord while he may be found, \*  
call ye upon him while he is near:  
Let the wicked forsake his way, \*  
and the unrighteous man his thoughts:  
And let him return unto the Lord,  
and he will have mercy upon him; \*  
and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon.

For my thoughts are not your thoughts,\*  
neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,\*  
so are my ways higher than your ways,  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.  
For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven,\*  
and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth,  
And maketh it bring forth and bud,\*  
that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater:  
So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth:\*  
it shall not return unto me void,  
But it shall accomplish that which I please,\*  
and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

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 22:34-46

**B**UT WHEN THE PHARISEES HEARD that he had silenced the Sad'ducees, they came together. And one of them, a lawyer, asked him a question, to test him. "Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law?" And he said to him, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets." Now while the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them a question, saying, "What do you think of the Christ? Whose son is he?" They said to him, "The son of David." He said to them, "How is it then that David, inspired by the Spirit, calls him Lord, saying, 'The Lord said to my Lord, Sit at my right hand, till I put thy enemies under thy feet'? If David thus calls him Lord, how is he his son?" And no one was able to answer him a word, nor from that day did any one dare to ask him any more questions.

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

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

**A**LMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, give unto us the increase of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain that which thou dost promise, make us to love that which thou dost command; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *¶ People Amen.*

**O** HEAVENLY FATHER, in whom we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray thee so to guide and govern us by thy Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget thee, but may remember that we are ever walking in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *¶ People Amen.*

**A**LMIGHTY AND EVERLASTING GOD, by whose Spirit the whole body of thy faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before thee for all members of thy holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and godly serve thee; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *¶ 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*

**A**LMIGHTY 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.

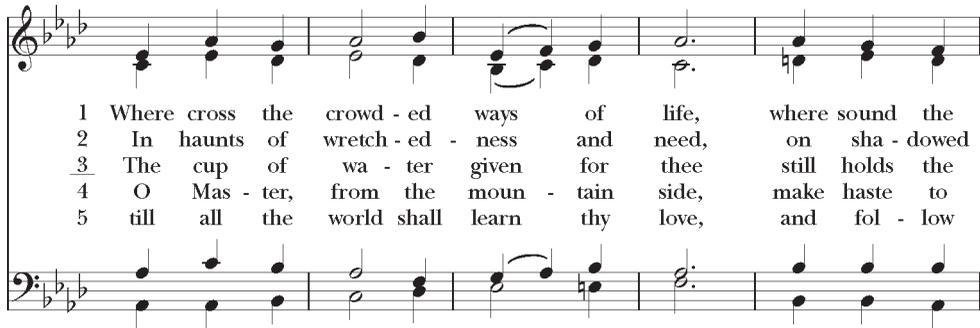
*People* Thanks be to God.

## 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 Where cross the crowd - ed ways of life, where sound the  
2 In haunts of wretch - ed - ness and need, on sha - dowed  
3 The cup of wa - ter given for thee still holds the  
4 O Mas - ter, from the moun - tain side, make haste to  
5 till all the world shall learn thy love, and fol - low



1 cries of race and clan, a - bove the noise of  
2 thresh - olds dark with fears, from paths where hide the  
3 fresh - ness of thy grace; yet long these mul - ti -  
4 heal these hearts of pain; a - mong these rest - less  
5 where thy feet have trod; till glo - rious from thy

1 self - ish strife, we hear thy voice, O Son of Man.  
 2 lures of greed, we catch the vi - sion of thy tears.  
 3 tudes to see the true com - pas - sion of thy face.  
 4 throngs a - bide, O tread the ci - ty's streets a - gain;  
 5 heaven a - bove, shall come the ci - ty of our God.

*Words: Frank Mason North (1850-1935) alt.*  
*Music: GARDINER, Tune from Sacred Melodies, 1815;*  
*arr. William Gardiner (1770-1853)*

## Sermon

The Rev. Andrew John Archie

## Anthem

Give almes of thy goods, and turn never thy face from any poor man:  
 and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee

*Words: Tobit 4:7*  
*Music: Christopher Tye (c. 1500–1573)*

## Closing Prayers

*Officiant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And with thy spirit.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

☞ *All kneel*

☞ *Then Prayers and Intercessions are offered*

**G**RACIOUS FATHER, we pray for thy holy Catholic Church. Fill it with all truth, in all truth with all peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in any thing it is amiss, reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in want, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of Jesus Christ thy Son our Savior. ☞ *People Amen.*

**A**Lmighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in thy 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 liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *☩ People Amen.*

**O**most mighty and merciful God, in this time of grievous sickness, we flee to thee for succour. Deliver us, we pray, from our peril; give strength and skill to all those who minister to the sick; prosper the means made use of for their cure; and grant that, perceiving how frail and uncertain our life is, we may apply our hearts to that heavenly wisdom which leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *☩ People Amen.*

**O** Lord our heavenly Father, whose blessed Son came not to be ministered unto but to minister: Bless, we beseech thee, all who, following in his steps, give themselves to the service of others; that with wisdom, patience, and courage, they may minister in his name to the suffering, the friendless, and the needy; for the love of him who laid down his life for us, the same thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *☩ People Amen.*

**O** heavenly Father, who hast filled the world with beauty: Open our eyes to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works; that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, we may learn to serve thee with gladness; for the sake of him through whom all things were made, thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *☩ People Amen.*

**O** Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of thy people; in the multitude of thy mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to thee for help; for thou art gracious, O lover of souls, and to thee we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *☩ People Amen.*

## The Blessing

**G**o 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*

Matthew Camidge (1758-1844) enjoyed notoriety in his native northern England as an organist and conductor of oratorios. The piece that begins this morning's liturgy is a movement from a concerto, titled *Gavotte*, that demonstrates his solid craftsmanship as a composer. His choice of a dance form also demonstrates his conservatism in compositional forms for his time.

The hymn *Where cross the crowded ways of life* is the example *par excellence* of the modern social gospel hymn. Poignant in its picture of Christ's concerns for the down-trodden and needy, it was written as the poet gazed down upon the busy canyons of New York City at the turn of the twentieth century.

Dr. Christopher Tye (c. 1505-1572) earned his degree from Cambridge University and went on to become organist of Ely Cathedral. He was the music teacher to Edward VI. Later in life he forsook composition and was ordained. It is likely that most of his compositions have been lost. *Give almes of thy goods* sets the familiar offertory sentence from the Book of Tobit.

George Frideric Handel (1685-1759) is, of course, best known for his oratorio *Messiah* and his numerous other large works and operas. He was, however, a prolific composer of keyboard music as well. This dance movement, *Allemande* from his *Suite in B-flat*, is performed by strings and demonstrates all of the compositional traits of the master.



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