



THE CHURCH
OF ST. MICHAEL & ST. GEORGE

The Order for Morning Prayer

The First Sunday in Lent

February 21, 2021

Opening Sentences

Officiant If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us, but if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. *1 John 1:8, 9*

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 Psalm together, as follows*

Invitatory Canticle

Jubilate 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 25:1-9

Ad te, Domine, levavi

Unto thee, O Lord, will I lift up my soul; my God, I have put my trust in thee: *
O let me not be confounded, neither let mine enemies triumph over me.

For all they that hope in thee shall not be ashamed; *
but such as transgress without a cause shall be put to confusion.

Show me thy ways, O Lord, *
and teach me thy paths.

Lead me forth in thy truth, and learn me: *
for thou art the God of my salvation; in thee hath been my hope all the day long.

Call to remembrance, O Lord, thy tender mercies, *
and thy lovingkindnesses, which have been ever of old.

O remember not the sins and offences of my youth; *
but according to thy mercy think thou upon me, O Lord, for thy goodness.

Gracious and righteous is the Lord; *
therefore, will he teach sinners in the way.

Them that are meek shall he guide in judgment; *
and such as are gentle, them shall he learn his way.

All the paths of the Lord are mercy and truth, *
unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

¶ 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

GENESIS 9:8-17

THEN GOD SAID TO NOAH and to his sons with him, “Behold, I establish my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the cattle, and every beast of the earth with you, as many as came out of the ark. I establish my covenant with you, that never again shall all flesh be cut off by the waters of a flood, and never again shall there be a flood to destroy the earth.” And God said, “This is the sign of the covenant which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I

set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be a sign of the covenant between me and the earth. When I bring clouds over the earth and the bow is seen in the clouds, I will remember my covenant which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh; and the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh. When the bow is in the clouds, I will look upon it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is upon the earth.” God said to Noah, “This is the sign of the covenant which I have established between me and all flesh that is upon the earth.”

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

Canticle

Kyrie Pantokrator

PRAYER OF MANASSEH, 1-2, 4, 6-7, 11-15

O Lord, Almighty God of our fathers, *
Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob, and of their righteous seed;
Who hast made heaven and earth, *
with all the ornament thereof;
Whom all men fear, *
and tremble before thy power;
But thy merciful promise *
is unmeasurable and unsearchable;
For thou art the most high Lord, of great compassion, long-suffering, very merciful, *
and repentest of the evils of men.
Thou, O Lord, according to thy great goodness
hast promised repentence and forgiveness *
to them that have sinned against thee.
And of thine infinite mercies hast appointed repentence unto sinners, *
that they may be saved.
Now therefore I bow the knee of mine heart, *
beseeching thee of grace.
I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, *
and I acknowledge mine iniquities:
Wherefore I humbly beseech thee, forgive me, O Lord, forgive me *
and destroy me not with mine iniquities.
Be not angry with me forever, by reserving evil for me; *
neither condemn me into the lower parts of the earth.
For thou art the God, even the God of them that repent; *
and in me thou wilt show all thy goodness:
For thou wilt save me, that am unworthy, *
according to thy great mercy.
Therefore I will praise thee for ever all the days of my life: *
for all the powers of the heavens do praise thee,
And thine is the glory *
for ever and ever. Amen.

¶ *All are seated*

The Second Lesson

MARK 1:9-15

IN THOSE DAYS JESUS CAME FROM NAZARETH of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opened and the Spirit descending upon him like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "Thou art my beloved Son; with thee I am well pleased." The Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. And he was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels ministered to him. Now after John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, preaching the gospel of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent, and believe in the gospel."

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

Canticle

Benedictus Dominus Deus

LUKE 1:68-79

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, *
for he hath visited and redeemed his people;
And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us *
in the house of his servant David,
As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, *
which have been since the world began:
That we should be saved from our enemies, *
and from the hand of all that hate us;
To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers, *
and to remember his holy covenant;
To perform the oath which he sware to our forefather Abraham, *
that he would give us,
That we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies *
might serve him without fear,
In holiness and righteousness before him, *
all the days of our life.

And thou, child, shalt be called the prophet of the Highest, *
for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord
to prepare his ways;
To give knowledge of salvation unto his people *
for the remission of their sins,
Through the tender mercy of our God, *
whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us;
To give light to them that sit in darkness
and in the shadow of death, *
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

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

ALMIGHTY GOD, WHOSE BLESSED SON was led by the Spirit to be tempted of Satan: Make speed to help thy servants who are assaulted by manifold temptations; and, as thou knowest their several infirmities, let each one find thee mighty to save; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ‡ *People Amen.*

OLORD, OUR HEAVENLY FATHER, almighty and everlasting God, who hast safely brought us to the beginning of this day: Defend us in the same with thy mighty power; and grant that this day we fall into no sin, neither run into any kind of danger; but that we, being ordered by thy governance, may do always what is righteous in thy sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. ‡ *People Amen.*

LORD JESUS CHRIST, who didst stretch out thine arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us in thy Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love of thee; for the honor of thy Name. ‡ *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 For - ty days and for - ty nights thou wast fast - ing in the wild;
2 Should not we thy sor - row share and from world - ly joys ab - stain,
3 Then if Sa - tan on us press, Je - sus, Sa - vior, hear our call!
4 So shall we have peace di - vine: ho - lier glad - ness ours shall be;
5 Keep, O keep us, Sa - vior dear, ev - er con - stant by thy side;

1 for - ty days and for - ty nights tempt - ed, and yet un - de - filed.
2 fast - ing with un - ceas - ing prayer, strong with thee to suf - fer pain?
3 Vic - tor in the wil - der - ness, grant we may not faint nor fall!
4 round us, too, shall an - gels shine, such as min - is - tered to thee.
5 that with thee we may ap - pear at the e - ter - nal Eas - ter - tide.

Words: George Hunt Smyttan (1822-1870), alt.

*Music: AUS DER TIEFE RUF E ICH: melody att. Martin Herbst (1654-1681), alt.;
harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)*

Sermon

The Rev. Andrew John Archie

Anthem

Remember not, Lord, our offences, nor the offences of our forefathers; neither take thou vengeance of our sins, but spare us good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and be not angry with us for ever. Spare us, good Lord.

Words: Drawn from the Great Litany

Music: Henry Purcell (1659–1695)

‡ *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.

Officiant Let us pray.

ALMIGHTY 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.*

The Lenten Blessing

GRANT, ALMIGHTY GOD, that thy people may recognize their weakness and put their whole trust in thy strength, so that they may rejoice for ever in the protection of thy loving providence; and the blessing ✝ of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. ¶ *People Amen.*

Liturgical Music

The German organist and composer Johann Ludwig Krebs (1713-1780) was a student of Johann Sebastian Bach at the St. Thomas Choir School in Leipzig. His deeply expressive chorale-prelude on *Erbarm dich mein O Herre* (*Have mercy, O my Lord*) begins this morning's liturgy.

Today's hymn, *Aus der Tiefe rufe ich*, is fitting for the text based on the Gospel of Mark 1:12-13. Christ's temptation in the wilderness is rehearsed and an association is drawn to Christians who are inveigled to sin. This text and tune have been included in the Episcopal hymnal since 1861.

Henry Purcell is hailed as England's greatest composer of opera – and perhaps greatest composer ever. He served as the chief musician at Westminster Abbey. There he composed many liturgical works which, like his operas, pull at the emotions of the listener. His *Remember not, Lord, our offences*, sung today, sets verses of the Great Litany.

Georg Böhm (1661-1733), another German composer and organist, is credited with the development of the Chorale-Partita, a form that incorporates several variations on a chorale tune into a small suite. His setting of *Wer nur den Lieben Gott lässt walten* (*If thou suffereth, God to guide thee*) which concludes today's liturgy is a selected verse from his partita on the tune.



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