

# Daily Morning Prayer

Sundays after Epiphany

January 24, 2021

## Preparatory Prayer

*Presider invites the people to a moment of silent prayer to prepare for the day's service.*

“The Lord is in His holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before Him.”

*Habakkuk 2:20*

## Opening Song

## Confession of Sin

*The presider says*

Let us now come before God confessing our sins against Him and our neighbors. Please kneel if able or sit for the Confession.

*Presider and People together*

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 presider 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.*

## Responsorial Psalm

*Presider* Let us stand and read the Psalm responsively.

*Psalm 130*

<sup>1</sup> Out of the depths I have cried to You, O LORD;

<sup>2</sup> Lord, hear my voice!

Let Your ears be attentive

To the voice of my supplications.

<sup>3</sup> If You, LORD, should <sup>[a]</sup>mark iniquities,  
O Lord, who could stand?

<sup>4</sup> But *there is* forgiveness with You,  
That You may be feared.

<sup>5</sup> I wait for the LORD, my soul waits,  
And in His word I do hope.

<sup>6</sup> My soul *waits* for the Lord  
More than those who watch for the morning—  
*Yes, more than* those who watch for the morning.

<sup>7</sup> O Israel, hope in the LORD;  
For with the LORD *there is* mercy,  
And with Him *is* abundant redemption.

<sup>8</sup> And He shall redeem Israel  
From all his iniquities.

*All say*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

## **The Lesson**

*Presider* Please sit for the lesson.

*Luke 4:14-30*

14 Then Jesus returned in the power of the Spirit to Galilee, and news of Him went out through all the surrounding region. 15 And He taught in their synagogues, being glorified by all. 16 So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. 17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written:

18 “The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me,  
Because He has anointed Me  
To preach the gospel to the poor;  
He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted,  
To proclaim liberty to the captives

And recovery of sight to the blind,  
To set at liberty those who are oppressed;  
19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord.”

20 Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. 21 And He began to say to them, “Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing.” 22 So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth. And they said, “Is this not Joseph’s son?” 23 He said to them, “You will surely say this proverb to Me, ‘Physician, heal yourself! Whatever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in Your country.’ ” 24 Then He said, “Assuredly, I say to you, no prophet is accepted in his own country. 25 But I tell you truly, many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a great famine throughout all the land; 26 but to none of them was Elijah sent except to Zarephath, in the region of Sidon, to a woman who was a widow. 27 And many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elisha the prophet, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian.” 28 So all those in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were filled with wrath, 29 and rose up and thrust Him out of the city; and they led Him to the brow of the hill on which their city was built, that they might throw Him down over the cliff. 30 Then passing through the midst of them, He went His way.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*All* Thanks be to God.

**The Sermon** ( <https://youtu.be/7m0n669L2tc> )

### **The Creed**

*Presider* Please stand for the Apostle’s Creed.

*All stand to declare*

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 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 from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God  
the Father Almighty.  
From there 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.

### *The Lord's Prayer*

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**

*Feel free to include specific prayers before saying the versicle (V) or take this time to pray spontaneously for the church, the world, and everything that comes to mind.*

O God, Master of all creation, we acknowledge our tendency to stray from Your ways. We can only look to Your mercy for our many faults. As such, we pray that You...

V.    Show us Your mercy, O Lord;

R.    And grant us Your salvation.

Our great Shepherd, raise for us more ministers that will walk humbly with You and shepherd as You shepherd. We lift up to You all current ministers and those whom You are calling out for the flourishing of Your kingdom.

V.    Clothe Your ministers with righteousness;

R.    Let Your people sing with joy.

Sovereign Lord, You see the turmoil we are in: the setbacks this pandemic has caused, the injustices and violence that result from sinfulness, and the many struggles we face daily.

V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;

R. For only in You can we live in safety.

Grant our nation's leaders as well as we, the citizens, the fear and love for You.

V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;

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

Thy kingdom come indeed, Lord God, and let the world know the beauty of Your ways.

V. Let Your way be known upon earth;

R. Your saving health among all nations.

All of us are powerless apart from Your grace. We remember especially those who struggle to be relieved of their distresses. Grant them to find hope and strength in You.

V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;

R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.

Finally, as we go about our week to meet You again in this hallowed hour, we pray for ourselves.

V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;

R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

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

*Moment of Silence*

*Presider closes with the following collect*

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

## **Prayer for Mission**

*Presider*

Let us now pray for the mission of the church.

*All together*

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace: Grant 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.*

## **Closing Prayer**

*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.

*Presider*        Let us bless the Lord.

*People*         Thanks be to God.

*The presider may say a few words to greet the people at this point*

## **Closing**

*The presider may close with one of the following:*

May God, the source of hope, fill you with all joy and peace by means of your faith in Him, so that your hope will continue to grow by the power of the Holy Spirit. (Rom. 15:13)

## **Announcements**

Praise God that we can spend time together to bask in the goodness of our God amidst these troubling times. Here are some announcements:

1. With regrets, we would like to inform everyone of the passing of Bro. Johnson Juan last January 18, Monday. Even as we grieve, we are thankful that God has delivered him from his sickness and now lives in glory forever with our Lord. Let us keep the Juan family in our prayers.
2. Second, as we do every year, our friends from Gideons International have prepared a short clip on their ministry. Let us watch the video. (After the video) Let us pray that more people will receive the Word of God through their

ministry. You may visit their website for any information or if you wish to support the ministry.

Brothers and sisters, as we end our service, as always, keep safe and go in the strength of the Holy Spirit. Let us rise for our closing song.

**Closing Song**

**Silent Prayer**