



## Morning Prayer, Rite II

ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

November 15, 2020 | Online  
The Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

### Greeting and Announcements

**Hymn 536 (vs. 1-2):** *Torah song*, “Open your ears, O faithful people”

Open your ears, O faithful people,  
Open your ears and hear God's word.  
Open your hearts, O royal priesthood, God has come to you.

Refrain: God has spoken to his people, Hallelujah!  
And his words are words of wisdom, Hallelujah! Hallelujah!  
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They who have ears to hear the message,  
they who have ears, then let them hear.  
They who would learn the way of wisdom, let them hear God's word. *Refrain*

*Repeat verse 1*

### Opening Sentences

*Book of Common Prayer, page 78*

### 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 forever. Amen.

### Venite S35

Come, let us sing to the Lord;  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
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.  
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.  
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.  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

**Psalm-90:1-12** *Domine, refugium*

Lord, you have been our refuge  
from one generation to another.  
Before the mountains were brought forth,  
or the land and the earth were born,  
from age to age you are God.  
You turn us back to the dust and say,  
“Go back, O child of earth.”  
For a thousand years in your sight  
are like yesterday when it is past  
and like a watch in the night.  
You sweep us away like a dream;  
we fade away suddenly like the grass.  
In the morning it is green and flourishes;  
in the evening it is dried up and withered.  
For we consume away in your displeasure;  
we are afraid because of your wrathful indignation.  
Our iniquities you have set before you,  
and our secret sins in the light of your countenance.  
When you are angry, all our days are gone;  
we bring our years to an end like a sigh.  
The span of our life is seventy years,  
perhaps in strength even eighty;  
yet the sum of them is but labor and sorrow,  
for they pass away quickly and we are gone.  
Who regards the power of your wrath?  
who rightly fears your indignation?]  
So teach us to number our days  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.  
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**

**First Lesson:**-Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18

Be silent before the Lord GOD! For the day of the LORD is at hand; the LORD has prepared a sacrifice, he has consecrated his guests. At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps, and I will punish the people who rest complacently on their dregs, those who say in their hearts, “The LORD will not do good, nor will he do harm.” Their wealth shall be plundered, and their houses laid waste. Though they build houses, they shall not inhabit them; though they plant vineyards, they shall not drink wine from them. The great day of the LORD is near, near and hastening fast; the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter, the warrior cries aloud there. That day will be a day of wrath, a day of distress and anguish, a day of ruin and devastation, a day of darkness and gloom, a day of clouds and thick darkness, a day of trumpet blast and battle cry against the fortified cities and against the lofty battlements. I will bring such distress upon people that they shall walk like the blind; because they have sinned against the LORD, their blood shall be poured out like dust, and their flesh like dung. Neither their silver nor

their gold will be able to save them on the day of the LORD's wrath; in the fire of his passion the whole earth shall be consumed; for a full, a terrible end he will make of all the inhabitants of the earth

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Anthem:** Not here for high and holy things

Elkanah Kelsay Dare, harm. Charles Douglas

Awake, awake to love and work! The lark is in the sky,  
the fields are wet with diamond dew,  
the worlds awake to cry their blessings on the Lord of life,  
as he goes meekly by.

Come, let thy voice be one with theirs, shout with their shout of praise;  
see how the giant sun soars up,  
great lord of years and days!  
So let the love of Jesus come and set thy soul ablaze,

to give and give, and give again, what God hath given thee;  
to spend thyself nor count the cost;  
to serve right gloriously the God who gave all worlds that are,  
and all that are to be.

**Second Lesson:** Matthew 25:14-30

Jesus said, "It is as if a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Sermon:** The Reverend Hilary Streever

## **Apostles' Creed**

BCP 96

*Officiant and People together, all standing as able.*

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 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.

BCP 97

*Officiant and People together*

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 A**

V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
R. And grant us your salvation.  
V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
R. Let the 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 in us with your Holy Spirit.

## **Collect of the Day**

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## **Other Collects**

## Prayers for the Parish

### Prayer for Mission

BCP 101

*Officiant*

Lord Jesus Christ, you stretched out your arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of your saving embrace; So clothe us in your Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those that do not know you to the knowledge and love of you, for the honor of your name. *Amen.*

**Anthem:** I want to walk as a child of the light

Kathleen Thomerson

I want to walk as a child of the light.  
I want to follow Jesus.  
God sent the stars to give light to the world.  
The star of my life is Jesus

*Refrain:* In Him, there is no darkness at all.  
The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

I want to see the brightness of God.  
I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path,  
and show me the way to the Father. *Refrain*

I'm looking for the coming of Christ.  
I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race,  
we shall know the joy of Jesus. *Refrain*

### 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.*

### Versicle and Response

*Officiant* Let us bless the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### Closing Sentences

**Hymn 376:** *Hymn to joy*, "Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee"

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love;  
hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays,  
stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain, blooming meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest,  
well-spring of the joy of living, ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother: all who live in love are thine;  
teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

*This Sunday we remember  
Bland Hobson Goddin, Alfred P. Goddin, Alfred P. Goddin, Jr., and Cornelia S. Goddin*

### **Service Participants**

*Preacher:* The Reverend Hilary Streever

*Officiant:* The Reverend Dr. John McCard

*Musicians*

*Singer:* Lillibet Woodward, Senior Youth Chorister

*Organist:* Virginia Ewing Whitmire

*Director of Music:* Dr. Mark A. Whitmire

### **Prayers of the People**

Please lift up to God those who have asked for our prayers:

*For the sick and in need:* especially the family of Eleanor Angle, Susan Bain, the family of Anne Bedner, Margaret Bloor, Susan Bloor, Priscilla Cabell, Susan Campbell, Barbara Caperton, Virginia Cooper, Charlie Crasten, Matt Curtis, Cameron Flippen, Charlotte Harbach, Mary Harrison, Palmer Johnson, Eleanor Lynch, Emma Mason, Eve McCray, Harry Moore, Robbie Morris, Darlene Ogden, Jess Pillmore, Katherine Reynolds, Bill Ronemus, Millie Ronemus, Doug Rucker, George Silver, Geoff Sisk, Anne Sweets, Willsey Valentine, Gordon Wallace, David Wilkinson, Bodie Williamson, Barbara Willis, Amy, and Paul

*For the newly born:* especially Charlotte Mae Bennett, daughter of Kate and Kent Bennett and granddaughter of Andy and Dick Bennett

*For those about to be baptized:* especially Mary Trueheart Pulliam

*For all celebrating their birthdays this week:* especially Whitt Clement, Peter Dorsey, Taylor Jeffreys, Bland Jewett, Bernice Oppenheimer, Hampton Turton, and Hadley Turton who celebrate their birthdays today

### **Music Notes**



### **Today at 10:00 a.m.**

*I want to walk as a child of the light* was written by Kathleen Thomerson (b. 1934). Thomerson attended the University of Texas, receiving a bachelor's degree in music in 1956 and a master's degree in 1958. She also studied with Flor Peeters at the Royal Conservatoire of Antwerp and with Jean Langlais in Paris. The tune name *Houston* refers to the home of her mother and the location of Church of the Redeemer, where the hymn was first sung.

### **Tonight at 5:00 p.m. - Jazz Mass**

With the Anthony Dowd trio and Cantor Lisa Edwards Burrs singing *He's got the whole world in his hands*.

**Important Note:** Next Sunday, November 22, will be our last live winter service from the St. Francis Outdoor Chapel. By Thanksgiving we expect that the weather will be too cold to sit outside. We plan to resume Jazz Mass as soon as our Bishop authorizes indoor services, or when the weather warms in the spring, whichever comes first.

**Next Sunday at 10:00 a.m.**

Our soloist will be Massie Valentine, singing two songs from the Bluegrass Mass. He will be accompanied by guitarist Hank Artz and fiddler Molly Sharp.

In case you missed previous **Music at St. James's**, here are links:

9/20 Liz Nance– A Celtic Blessing (M. Whitmire)

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIr4o8ddtUFgkFHcKIguFKO>

9/27 Knox Hubbard– What good am I? (Dylan)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_1DFF7VFCtg](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_1DFF7VFCtg)

10/4 Berkeley Crane, Winston Crane - O praise the Lord who made all beauty (Hopson)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Z93KIAKV3RA>

10/11 Heather Jones– I will sing new songs of gladness (Dvorak)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iLw5hBePELA>

10/18 Nathan Bick - Then shall the righteous shine (Mendelssohn)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R7WUd5cKAg>

10/25 Diane Wright, Sam Zimmer, Knox Hubbard, Scott Milstead - Come to Jesus

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mjrwwu1uzRY>

11/1 Elisabeth Eckstein, Julianne Eckstein - I sing a song of the saints of God

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WSZea3DcE\\_E](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WSZea3DcE_E)

Molly Sharp, Roberts Wadsworth - Be thou my vision (arr. M. Whitmire)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-87qrIBykLo>

**Virtual Choir**

Sicut cervus (Palestrina)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SBE828xCRwE&fbclid=IwAR0E1jn2KOj99I1q6sEhxU3qbbkOO0XEql4gguBAuHU3h3Tfv-Tbcae6pY>

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake (Farrant)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=yqELCw0uXsU&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR0E1jn2KOj99I1q6sEhxU3qbbkOO0XEql4gguBAuHU3h3Tfv-Tbcae6pY>

If ye love me (Tallis)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fDGaKW-A2zg&feature=youtu.be>