



## Morning Prayer, Rite II

ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

February 21, 2021 | Online Service  
The First Sunday in Lent

### Greeting and Announcements

#### The Great Litany

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

*The Book of Common Prayer, page 148*

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

O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful,  
*Have mercy upon us.*

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

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.  
*Spare us, good Lord.*

From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the devil;  
and from everlasting damnation,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice;  
and from all want of charity,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh,  
and the devil,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word  
and commandment,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and murder;  
and from dying suddenly and unprepared,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to the Law;  
by thy Baptism, Fasting, and Temptation,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

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,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death,  
and in the day of judgment,  
*Good Lord, deliver us.*

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,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bless and keep all thy people,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thy harvest, and to draw all mankind  
into thy kingdom,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and are deceived,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to give us a heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live  
after thy commandments,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of this nation,  
and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and love mercy, and walk in the ways of truth,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to preserve all who are in danger by reason of their labor or their travel,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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,  
*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger,  
necessity, and tribulation,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to have mercy upon all mankind,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

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,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and peace,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

That it may please thee to grant that, in the fellowship of the Blessed Virgin Mary,  
St. James, our Patron, and all the saints, we may attain to thy heavenly kingdom,

*We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.*

Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

*Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

*Have mercy upon us.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

*Have mercy upon us.*

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world,

*Grant us thy peace.*

O Christ, hear us.

*O Christ, hear us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Christ, have mercy upon us.*

Lord, have mercy upon us.

*Officiant and People say 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. Amen.

*Officiant* O Lord, let thy mercy be showed upon us;

*People* As we do put our trust in thee.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

Almighty God, who hast promised to hear the petitions of those who ask in thy Son's Name: We beseech thee mercifully to incline thine ear to us who have now made our prayers and supplications unto thee; and grant that those things which we have asked faithfully according to thy will, may be obtained effectually, to the relief of our necessity, and to the setting forth of thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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

### **The Invitatory and Psalter**

*Officiant* Lord, open our lips.

*People* And our mouth shall proclaim your praise

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 S4**

O come, let us sing unto the Lord;  
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving,  
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.  
For the Lord is a great God,  
and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are all the corners of the earth,  
and the strength of the hills is his also.  
The sea is his and he made it,  
and his hands prepared the dry land.  
O come, let us worship and fall down  
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.  
For he is the Lord our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture  
and the sheep of his hand.  
O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness;  
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.  
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth,  
and with righteousness to judge the world  
and the peoples with his truth.

### **Psalm 25:1-9** *Ad te, Domine, levavi*

To you, O LORD, I lift up my soul; my God, I put my trust in you;  
let me not be humiliated, nor let my enemies triumph over me.

Let none who look to you be put to shame;  
let the treacherous be disappointed in their schemes.

Show me your ways, O LORD,  
and teach me your paths.

Lead me in your truth and teach me,  
for you are the God of my salvation; in you have I trusted all the day long.

Remember, O LORD, your compassion and love,  
for they are from everlasting.

Remember not the sins of my youth and my transgressions;  
remember me according to your love and for the sake of your goodness, O LORD.

Gracious and upright is the LORD;  
therefore he teaches sinners in his way.  
He guides the humble in doing right  
and teaches his way to the lowly.  
All the paths of the LORD are love and faithfulness  
to those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.  
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.

## The Lessons

### First Lesson: Genesis 9:8-17

God said to Noah and to his sons with him, "As for me, I am establishing my covenant with you and your descendants after you, and with every living creature that is with you, the birds, the domestic animals, and every animal 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." God said, "This is the sign of the covenant that I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for all future generations: I have set my bow in the clouds, 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 that 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 see it and remember the everlasting covenant between God and every living creature of all flesh that is on the earth." God said to Noah, "This is the sign of the covenant that I have established between me and all flesh that is on the earth."

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

### Canticle 14: *Kyrie Pantokratour*, A Song of Penitence

BCP 90

O Lord and Ruler of the hosts of heaven,  
God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,  
and of all their righteous offspring:  
You made the heavens and the earth,  
with all their vast array.  
All things quake with fear at your presence;  
they tremble because of your power.  
But your merciful promise is beyond all measure;  
it surpasses all that our minds can fathom.  
O Lord, you are full of compassion,  
long-suffering, and abounding in mercy.  
You hold back your hand;  
you do not punish as we deserve.  
In your great goodness, Lord,  
you have promised forgiveness to sinners,  
that they may repent of their sin and be saved.  
And now, O Lord, I bend the knee of my heart,  
and make my appeal, sure of your gracious goodness.  
I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned,  
and I know my wickedness only too well.

Therefore I make this prayer to you:  
    Forgive me, Lord, forgive me.  
Do not let me perish in my sin,  
    nor condemn me to the depths of the earth.  
For you, O Lord, are the God of those who repent,  
    and in me you will show forth your goodness.  
Unworthy as I am, you will save me,  
in accordance with your great mercy,  
    and I will praise you without ceasing all the days of my life.  
For all the powers of heaven sing your praises,  
    and yours is the glory to ages of ages. Amen.

**Second Lesson:** Mark 1:9-15

In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And just as he was coming up out of the water, he saw the heavens torn apart and the Spirit descending like a dove on him. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

And the Spirit immediately drove him out into the wilderness. He was in the wilderness forty days, tempted by Satan; and he was with the wild beasts; and the angels waited on him.

Now after John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news."

*Reader:* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

**Hymn 150:** *Aus der tiefe rufe ich*, "Forty days and forty nights"

Forty days and forty nights thou wast fasting in the wild;  
Forty days and forty nights tempted, and yet undefiled.

Should not we thy sorrow share and from worldly joys abstain,  
Fasting with unceasing prayer, strong with thee to suffer pain?

Then if Satan on us press, Jesus, Savior, hear our call,  
Victor in the wilderness, grant we may not faint nor fail!

Keep, O keep us, Savior dear, ever constant by your side,  
That with thee we may appear at the eternal Eastertide.

**Sermon:** The Reverend Dr. John McCard

**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.

*BCP 97*

*People* And also with you.

*Officiant* Let us pray.

*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**

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for 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 have longed for thy saving health

William Byrd

I have longed for thy saving health, O Lord;  
Thy law is my delight.  
O let my soul live and it shall praise Thee,  
And Thy judgments shall help me.

**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 149:** *Old 124<sup>th</sup>*, “Eternal Lord of love”

Eternal Lord, of love behold your church  
Walking once more the pilgrim way of Lent,  
Led by your cloud by day, by night your fire.  
Moved by your love and toward your presence bent.  
Far off yet here- the goal of all desire.

So daily dying to the way of self,  
so daily living in your way of love,  
We walk the road, Lord Jesus, that you trod,  
Knowing ourselves baptized into your death:  
So we are dead and live with you in God.

If dead in you, so in you we arise.  
You the firstborn of all the faithful dead.  
And as through stony ground the green shoots break,  
Glorious in springtime dress of leaf and flower.  
So in the Father’s glory shall we wake.

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of  
Arthur Sumner Brinkley, Jr., Elizabeth Parkinson Brinkley, John Roger Smith, and Ethne Maureen Smith*

**Service Participants**

*Preacher:* The Reverend Dr. John McCard

*Officiant:* The Reverend Hilary Streever

*Musicians*

*Singers:* Jeanne Lapierre, Anita Lisk, Heather Jones, Lisa Mock  
Nate Bick, Trey Sibley, Bill Thrower, John Tyndall

*Organist:* Daniel Stipe

*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, Elizabeth Austin, Susan Bain, Jennifer Ball, Susan Bloor, Felicity Blundon, Guy Blundon, Hunter Burger II, Priscilla Cabell, Keri Copley, Betty Crasten, Matt Curtis, Liz Drake, Anna Evas, Cameron Flippen, Beverly Gunther, Mary Harrison, Mary Alice Hassett, Tom Horton, Palmer Johnson, Barrett Justus, Tatum Love, Eleanor Lynch, Emma Mason, Eve McCray, Bunky Miller, Harry Moore, Robbie Morris, Jeanette Owen, Jess Pillmore, Steve Reed, Katherine Reynolds, Mary Francis Faye Robins, Tommy Runyon, Stuart Siegel, the family of George Silver, Geoff Sisk, Elizabeth Stallings, Anne Sweets, Andrew Troi, Gordon Wallace, David Wilkinson, Henry Willett, Bodie Williamson, Barbara Willis, Henry Wright, Amy, and Paul

*For healthcare workers, first responders and all frontline workers:* especially Jennifer Ascoli, Eric Bland, Laura Bland, Tracy Carrasquillo, Gussie Carter, Paul Crook, Robert Crutcher, Lauren Dickinson, Brian Hoffmann, Rachel Klavan, Rebecca Krey, Worth Lewis, Anne Byrd Mahoney, Jimmy Milley, Sally Prillaman, Alex Skidmore, Kaylyn Tucker, Banks Turner, William Welch, Peter Wilbanks, Margaret Williams, and Judith Zerkle

*For those serving in our Armed Forces:* especially William Smith

*For all celebrating their birthdays this week:* especially Liza Hause, Ellie Mackey, Marianne Radcliff, Anne Ring, Walker Teele, and Stephen Watts II who celebrate their birthdays today

*For those who have died recently:* especially Cameron Flippen, Kevin Moore, Darlene Ogden, and Pierce Rucker

## Music Notes



“O sing unto God with the voice of melody.” -Psalm 47:1

*Kyrie Pantokrator* (A Song of Penitence) is from the Prayer of Manasseh in the Apocrypha. The text is a prayer of repentance by Manasseh, King of Judah (687-42 BC), which is recorded in 2 Chronicles 33:1-20. This Canticule has been used in Christian worship since the 5<sup>th</sup> century.

*I have longed for thy saving health* is by the Elizabethan composer William Byrd (1543-1623). Byrd was appointed organist at the Chapel Royal by Queen Elizabeth in 1572, where he served alongside his mentor Thomas Tallis. In 1575 the two were granted a patent for the exclusive right to print and sell music in England. Byrd was undoubtedly the finest and most popular composer of his day. In spite of the fact that Catholics were undergoing severe persecution in England, Byrd remained a Catholic and composed Latin motets which were identified with Roman Catholicism.

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/UCIr4o8ddtUFgkFHcKIguFKQ>

9/27 Knox Hubbard– What good am I? (Dylan)  
<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=iLw5hBePEIA>

- 10/18 Nathan Bick - Then shall the righteous shine (Mendelssohn)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R7WUd5clKAg>
- 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)
- 11/15 Lisa Edward Burrs, Anthony Dowd, Matt Hall, Aaron Binder - He's got the whole world  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4o-t1Lc1kC0>
- Molly Sharp, Roberts Wadsworth - Be thou my vision (arr. M. Whitmire)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-87qrIBykLo>
- 11/22 Massie Valentine, Hank Artz, Scott Milstead, Molly Sharp – O love that will not let me go  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-Z-jST1ek3M>
- 11/29 Chamber Choir – E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come (Manz)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=VcLDfky6IUM&feature=youtu.be>

### **Virtual Choir Links**

[Sicut cervus \(Palestrina\)](#)

[Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake \(Farrant\)](#)

[If ye love me \(Tallis\)](#)

[Ubi caritas \(Gjelo\)](#)

[In the bleak midwinter \(Holst\)](#)

[We shall walk through the valley in peace \(Moore\)](#)