

Morning Prayer: Order of Service

November 21st – for Christ the King

INVITORY

+ Lord, open our lips.

And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Alleluia.

Psalm 100

Jubilate Deo

*1 Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.*

*2 Know this: The Lord himself is God; *
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the sheep of his
pasture.*

Psalm 100

Jubilate Deo

*3 Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *
give thanks to him and call upon his Name.*

*4 For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his faithfulness endures from age to
age.*

Psalm 100

Jubilate Deo

*Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity,
one God: as it was in the beginning, is
now, and will be forever. Amen.*

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness.

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel

I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel.

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel

I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep.

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel

Because you pushed with flank and shoulder,
and butted at all the weak animals with your
horns until you scattered them far and wide, I
will save my flock, and they shall no longer be
ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and
sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my
servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall
feed them and be their shepherd.

A reading from the Book of Ezekiel

And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

CANTICLE – A Song of the Wilderness | Isaiah 35:1-7, 10

The wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, *
the desert shall rejoice and blossom;
like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, *
and rejoice with joy and singing.

The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it,*

the majesty of Carmel and Sharon.

They shall see the glory of the Lord,*

the majesty of our God.

CANTICLE – A Song of the Wilderness | Isaiah 35:1-7, 10

Strengthen the weak hands, *
and make firm the feeble knees.

Say to those who are of a fearful heart, *
“Be strong, do not fear!

Here is your God.*

He will come with vengeance,
with terrible recompense.*

He will come and save you.”

CANTICLE – A Song of the Wilderness | Isaiah 35:1-7, 10

Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,*
and the ears of the deaf unstopped;
then the lame shall leap like a deer,*
and the tongue of the speechless sing for
joy.

CANTICLE – A Song of the Wilderness | Isaiah 35:1-7, 10

For the waters shall break forth in the
wilderness *

 and streams in the desert;
the burning sand shall become a pool *
 and the thirsty ground springs of water;
the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp,*
 the grass shall become reeds and rushes.

CANTICLE – A Song of the Wilderness | Isaiah 35:1-7, 10

And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, *
and come to Zion with singing;
everlasting joy shall be upon their heads;*
they shall obtain joy and gladness,
and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you,

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come.

A reading from Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.

CANTICLE – A Song of the Spirit |

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17

“See, I am coming soon;
“my reward is with me, *
 to repay according to everyone’s work.
“I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and
the last, *
 the beginning and the end.”

CANTICLE – A Song of the Spirit |

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17

Blessed are those who wash their robes,
so that they will have the right to the tree of
life *

and may enter the city by the gates.

“It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you, *
with this testimony for the churches.

CANTICLE – A Song of the Spirit |

Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17

“I am the root and the descendant of David, *
the bright morning star.”

The Spirit and the bride say, “Come.” *

And let everyone who hears say, “Come.”

And let everyone who is thirsty come. *

Let anyone who wishes take the water of
life as a gift.

The Gospel according to Matthew

First Nations Version

“When the True Human Being comes in all of his power and shining-greatness, along with all of his spirit messengers, he will sit down in his seat of honor. All nations will be gathered and come before him. He will choose between them like a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right side and the goats to his left.

The Gospel according to Matthew

First Nations Version

“Then the Chief will say to the sheep on his right, ‘The blessing of my Father rests upon you. Come into the Land of Creator’s good road that has been prepared for you from the beginning of the world. For I was thirsty and you gave me drink. I was hungry and you fed me. I was a stranger and you gave me lodging.

The Gospel according to Matthew

First Nations Version

When I needed clothes, you gave me something to wear. When I was sick, you took care of me, and when I was in prison, you visited me.'

“‘When did we do all these things for you?’ the good-hearted ones asked.

The Gospel according to Matthew

First Nations Version

“‘I speak from my heart,’ he answered them, ‘whatever you did for the least important of my fellow human beings who needed help, you did for me.’

The Gospel according to Matthew

First Nations Version

“Then the Chief will say to the goats on his left, ‘Go away from me, you who have bad hearts, into the fire that burns everything up, made for the evil trickster snake and his messengers. For when I was hungry, you gave me nothing to eat. When I was thirsty, you gave me no drink, and when I was a stranger, you turned me away.

The Gospel according to Matthew

First Nations Version

When I needed clothes, you gave me nothing to wear, and when I was sick and in prison, you failed to visit me.'

“‘Honored One,’ they questioned, ‘when was it that we saw you like this and did nothing?’

The Gospel according to Matthew

First Nations Version

“‘I speak from my heart,’ he answered back,
‘when you did not help the ones who needed it
most, you failed to help me.’

The Gospel according to Matthew

First Nations Version

“Then the goats will go away to the punishment of the world to come that never fades away, and the sheep will enter the life of the world to come that never fades away, full of beauty and harmony.”

The Word of the Lord.

SUNDAY COLLECT

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your 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 lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

DISCUSSION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Lord we pray for

Alex, Alice, Amba, Anna, Austin, Beverlee, Beverly, Carol, Clare, Clarissa, Dawn, Diana, Ethan, Fiona, Frank, Frank, Glenda, Gordon, Isabel, Jace, Jean, Joe, Joey, John, Jonathan, Justin, Karin, Kate, Katie, Kevin, Leonard, Lidia, Margaret, Mariela, Martin, Molly, Nathan, Rachel, Roger, Ron, Roz, Shannon, Sharon, Susan, Ted, Tim, Tom, Tom, Vince, Wendy

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Jason Hinton, Andrew Baasen, Zola Lowrey, Toby Roberts, Betsy Sharpe, Alicia Cobbold, Stephanie Price, David Wood, Ingrid Burnett, Paul Cade, Anca Stan, Rick Bayless, Emily Breitenecker, Benjamin Hill, Jake Townsend & Denise Olsen.

And for those celebrating anniversaries: Carol & Larry Poston.

We pray also for those who have died.

Let us pray

Our Father in heaven, Hallowed be your name,

Your Kingdom come, your will be done,

On earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, As we forgive those who have sinned against us.

Save us from the time of Trial,

And deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever more. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

THE DISMISSAL

Let us bless the Lord

Thanks be to God.

+Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to God from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.