

# Morning Prayer: Order of Service

August 9<sup>th</sup> – for the Twelfth Sunday after  
Pentecost

## 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 81:1, 10-16

*Exultate Deo*

*1 Sing with joy to God our strength \*  
and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.*

*10 I am the Lord your God,  
who brought you out of the land of Egypt  
and said, \**

*"Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."*

*11 And yet my people did not hear my voice, \*  
and Israel would not obey me.*

# Psalm 81:1, 10-16

*Exultate Deo*

*12 So I gave them over to the stubbornness  
of their hearts,\*  
to follow their own devices.*

*13 Oh, that my people would listen to me! \*  
that Israel would walk in my ways!*

*14 I should soon subdue their enemies \*  
and turn my hand against their foes.*

Psalm 81:1, 10-16

*Exultate Deo*

*15 Those who hate the Lord would cringe before  
him, \*  
and their punishment would last for ever.*

*16 But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat \*  
and satisfy him with honey from the rock.*

*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 Jeremiah*

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob,  
and all the families of the house of Israel.  
Thus says the Lord:

What wrong did your ancestors find in me  
that they went far from me,  
and went after worthless things, and became  
worthless themselves?

*A reading from the Book of Jeremiah*

They did not say, "Where is the Lord  
who brought us up from the land of  
Egypt,  
who led us in the wilderness,  
in a land of deserts and pits,  
in a land of drought and deep darkness,  
in a land that no one passes through,  
where no one lives?"

*A reading from the Book of Jeremiah*

I brought you into a plentiful land  
to eat its fruits and its good things.

But when you entered you defiled my land,  
and made my heritage an abomination.

The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?"  
Those who handle the law did not know  
me;

*A reading from the Book of Jeremiah*

the rulers transgressed against me;  
the prophets prophesied by Baal,  
and went after things that do not  
profit.

Therefore once more I accuse you, says  
the Lord,  
and I accuse your children's children.

*A reading from the Book of Jeremiah*

Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look,  
send to Kedar and examine with care;  
see if there has ever been such a  
thing.

Has a nation changed its gods,  
even though they are no gods?

*A reading from the Book of Jeremiah*

But my people have changed their glory  
for something that does not profit.

Be appalled, O heavens, at this,  
be shocked, be utterly desolate,

says the Lord,

*A reading from the Book of Jeremiah*

for my people have committed two evils:  
they have forsaken me,  
the fountain of living water,  
and dug out cisterns for themselves,  
cracked cisterns  
that can hold no water.

The Word of the Lord.

## CANTICLE 21 A Song of Penitence

*Prayer of Manasseh, 1-2, 4, 6-7, 11-15*

O Lord Almighty, \*  
God of our ancestors,  
of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,  
and of their righteous offspring:  
you who made heaven and earth, \*  
with all their order;  
at whom all things shudder, \*  
and tremble before your power,  
yet immeasurable and unsearchable; \*  
Is your promised mercy.

## CANTICLE 21 A Song of Penitence

*Prayer of Manasseh, 1-2, 4, 6-7, 11-15*

for you are the Lord Most High, \*  
of great compassion, long suffering, and very  
merciful,  
and you relent at human suffering.

O Lord, according to your great goodness, \*  
you have promised repentance and forgiveness  
to those who have sinned against you,  
and in the multitude of your mercies \*  
you have appointed repentance for sinners,  
so that they may be saved.

## CANTICLE 21 A Song of Penitence

*Prayer of Manasseh, 1-2, 4, 6-7, 11-15*

And now I bend the knee of my heart, \*  
Imploring you for your kindness.

I have sinned, O Lord, I have sinned, \*  
and I acknowledge my transgressions.

I earnestly implore you,  
forgive me, O Lord, forgive me!

Do not destroy me with my transgressions!

Do not be angry with me forever or store up  
evil for me;

## CANTICLE 21 A Song of Penitence

*Prayer of Manasseh, 1-2, 4, 6-7, 11-15*

For you, O Lord, are the God of those who  
repent,\*

and in me you will manifest your goodness;  
for, unworthy as I am, you will save me,  
according to your great mercy, \*

and I will praise you continually all the days  
of my life.

For all the host of heaven sings your praise, \*  
and yours is the glory forever. Amen.

*A reading from Paul's Letter to the Hebrews*

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured.

*A reading from Paul's Letter to the Hebrews*

Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you."

*A reading from Paul's Letter to the Hebrews*

So we can say with confidence,

"The Lord is my helper;

I will not be afraid.

What can anyone do to me?"

Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

*A reading from Paul's Letter to the Hebrews*

Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

The Word of the Lord.

## CANTICLE 39 – A Song of Our True Nature

*Julian of Norwich*

Christ revealed our frailty and our falling, \*  
our trespasses and our humiliations.

Christ also revealed his blessed power, \*  
his blessed wisdom and love.

He protects us as tenderly and as sweetly  
when we are in greatest need; \*  
he raises us in spirit and turns everything  
to glory  
and joy without ending.

## CANTICLE 39 – A Song of Our True Nature

*Julian of Norwich*

God is the ground and the substance, the very  
essence of nature;\*

God is the true father and mother of natures.

We are all bound to God by nature, \*

and we are all bound to God by grace.

And this grace is for all the world, \*

because it is our precious mother, Christ.

For this fair nature was prepared by Christ  
for the honor and nobility of all, \*

and for the joy and bliss of salvation.

# *The Gospel according to Luke*

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.

When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place.

## *The Gospel according to Luke*

But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

## *The Gospel according to Luke*

He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Word of the Lord.

## SUNDAY COLLECT

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

## DISCUSSION

## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Lord we pray for*

Clare, Joey, Dawn, Ruth, Ted, Austin, Amba, Isabel,  
Kevin, Anne, Peter, Wendy, Roger, Robert, David,  
Karin, Ron, Beverlee, Len, Linda, Diana, Dan, Sharon,  
Kate, Alex, Joe, Anita, Sandy, Jean, Susan, Dora,  
Calyn, Carol, Marie, Frank, Tim, Fiona, Melanie,  
Brendon, Glenda, Alice, Martin, Ethan, Jennie,  
Barbara, Wendy, Holly, Jerry, Sebastian, Darlene, Ray

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week: Ian Kilpatrick, Dan McCormick, Betsy Peterson, Eliza Elfring-Roberts, Katie Roeck, Leo Stopa, Matthew Kinzer, Ernst Karris, Roland Price, Stacy Roberts, Tom Harper, & David Watson.

We pray also for those celebrating anniversaries this week: Don & Peg Swanton; Angela & Bernie Allen; Denise & Keith Olsen; Michael Jordharno & Christine Steinmetz; and Deborah & Shannon Hagman.

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.