

Monday

Evening Prayer – Proper 9 in Year 1

Opening Sentence

Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.

Psalm 141:2

Versicle and Response

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

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. Alleluia!

Invitatory

O gracious light,
pure brightness of the everliving Father in heaven,
O Jesus Christ, holy and blessed!
Now as we come to the setting of the sun,
and our eyes behold the vesper light,
we sing your praises, O God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
You are worthy at all times to be praised by happy voices,
O Son of God, O Giver of Life,
and to be glorified through all the worlds.

Psalms

Psalm 4

¹Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause;*
you set me free when I am hard-pressed;
have mercy on me and hear my prayer.

²"You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory;*
how long will you worship dumb idols
and run after false gods?"

³Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; *
when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.

⁴Tremble, then, and do not sin;*
speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.

⁵Offer the appointed sacrifices *
and put your trust in the LORD.

⁶Many are saying,
"Oh, that we might see better times!"*
Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.

⁷You have put gladness in my heart,*
more than when grain and wine and oil increase.

⁸I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; *

for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

Psalm 7

¹O LORD my God, I take refuge in you;*
save and deliver me from all who pursue me;
²Lest like a lion they tear me in pieces *
and snatch me away with none to deliver me.
³O LORD my God, if I have done these things: *
if there is any wickedness in my hands,
⁴If I have repaid my friend with evil,*
or plundered him who without cause is my enemy;
⁵Then let my enemy pursue and overtake me, *
trample my life into the ground,
and lay my honor in the dust.
⁶Stand up, O LORD, in your wrath;*
rise up against the fury of my enemies.
⁷Awake, O my God, decree justice;*
let the assembly of the peoples gather round you.
⁸Be seated on your lofty throne, O Most High; *
O LORD, judge the nations.
⁹Give judgment for me according to my righteousness, O LORD,*
and according to my innocence, O Most High.
¹⁰Let the malice of the wicked come to an end,
but establish the righteous;*
for you test the mind and heart, O righteous God.
¹¹God is my shield and defense;*
he is the savior of the true in heart.
¹²God is a righteous judge;*
God sits in judgment every day.
¹³If they will not repent, God will whet his sword;*
he will bend his bow and make it ready.
¹⁴He has prepared his weapons of death;*
he makes his arrows shafts of fire.
¹⁵Look at those who are in labor with wickedness, *
who conceive evil, and give birth to a lie.
¹⁶They dig a pit and make it deep *
and fall into the hole that they have made.
¹⁷Their malice turns back upon their own head; *
their violence falls on their own scalp.
¹⁸I will bear witness that the LORD is righteous; *
I will praise the Name of the LORD Most High.

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.

Reading

Luke 23:44-56a

It was now about noon, and darkness came over the whole land* until three in the afternoon, while the sun's light failed;* and the curtain of the temple was torn in two. Then Jesus, crying with a loud voice, said, 'Father, into your hands I commend my spirit.' Having said this, he breathed his last. When the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God and said, 'Certainly this man was innocent.*' And when all the crowds who had gathered there for this spectacle saw what had taken place, they returned home, beating their breasts. But all his acquaintances, including the women who had followed him from Galilee, stood at a distance, watching these things.

Now there was a good and righteous man named Joseph, who, though a member of the council, had not agreed to their plan and action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea, and he was waiting expectantly for the kingdom of God. This man went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. Then he took it down, wrapped it in a linen cloth, and laid it in a rock-hewn tomb where no one had ever been laid. It was the day of Preparation, and the sabbath was beginning.* The women who had come with him from Galilee followed, and they saw the tomb and how his body was laid. Then they returned, and prepared spices and ointments.

On the sabbath they rested according to the commandment.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Canticle 17

Lord, you now have set your servant free *
to go in peace as you have promised;

For these eyes of mine have seen the Savior, *
whom you have prepared for all the world to see:

A Light to enlighten the nations, *
and the glory of your people Israel.

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 Apostle's Creed

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 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 Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

The Lord's Prayer

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 sin 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 for ever. Amen.

Suffrages

Show us your mercy, O Lord;
And grant us your salvation.
Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
Let your people sing with joy.
Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
For only in you can we live in safety.
Lord, keep this nation under your care;
And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
Let your way be known upon earth;
Your saving health among all nations.
Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
Create in us clean hearts, O God;
And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

Collect of the Day: 9

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A Collect for Peace

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgments, and all just works: Give to us, your servants, that peace which the world cannot give, so that our minds may be fixed on the doing of your will, and that we, being delivered from the fear of all enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through the mercies of Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen.

For Mission

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers and Intercessions

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

A 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.

Benediction

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 him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. Amen.

Ephesians 3:20,21