



## **EVENING PRAYER – RITE TWO**

**Beginning on page 115 BCP – Monday, March 23, 2020**

*The Officiant begins the service with this sentence – The officiant will be you or a member of your family.*

Officiant: Let my prayer be set forth in your sight as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice. *Psalm 141:2*

*The following Confession of Sin may then be said;*

### **Confession of Sin – Page 116 BCP**

*The Officiant says to the people*

Officiant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Officiant and People say together – Page 116 BCP*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*A lay person says the following – Page 80 BCP*

Almighty God have mercy on **us**, forgive **us** all **our** sins through **our** Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen **us** in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep **us** in eternal life.

**People: *Amen.***

## **The Invitatory and Psalter – Page 117 BCP**

*All stand*

Officiant: O God, make speed to save us.

**People: O Lord, make haste to help us.**

*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 for ever. Amen.**

## **O Gracious Light – Page 118 BCP**

Officiant: Let us say O Gracious Light together.

**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.**

*Then follows*

**The Psalm Appointed – (4th Lent – Monday, March 23, 2020 Pg.955 BCP)**

## **Psalm 89:19-52**

Reader: A reading from Psalm 89.

19. Then you spoke in a vision to your faithful one, and said: "I have set the crown on one who is mighty, I have exalted one chosen from the people.  
20. I have found my servant David; with my holy oil I have anointed him;  
21. my hand shall always remain with him; my arm also shall strengthen

him. 22. The enemy shall not outwit him, the wicked shall not humble him. 23. I will crush his foes before him and strike down those who hate him. 24. My faithfulness and steadfast love shall be with him; and in my name his horn shall be exalted. 25. I will set his hand on the sea and his right hand on the rivers. 26. He shall cry to me, 'You are my Father, my God, and the Rock of my salvation!' 27. I will make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth. 28. Forever I will keep my steadfast love for him, and my covenant with him will stand firm. 29. I will establish his line forever, and his throne as long as the heavens endure.

30. If his children forsake my law and do not walk according to my ordinances, 31. if they violate my statutes and do not keep my commandments, 32. then I will punish their transgression with the rod and their iniquity with scourges; 33. but I will not remove from him my steadfast love, or be false to my faithfulness. 34. I will not violate my covenant, or alter the word that went forth from my lips. 35. Once and for all I have sworn by my holiness; I will not lie to David. 36. His line shall continue forever, and his throne endure before me like the sun. 37. It shall be established forever like the moon, an enduring witness in the skies."

38. But now you have spurned and rejected him; you are full of wrath against your anointed. 39. You have renounced the covenant with your servant; you have defiled his crown in the dust. 40. You have broken through all his walls; you have laid his strongholds in ruins.

41. All who pass by plunder him; he has become the scorn of his neighbors. 42. You have exalted the right hand of his foes; you have made all his enemies rejoice. 43. Moreover, you have turned back the edge of his sword, and you have not supported him in battle. 44. You have removed the scepter from his hand, and hurled his throne to the ground. 45. You have cut short the days of his youth; you have covered him with shame. 46. How long, O Lord? Will you hide yourself forever? How long will your wrath burn like fire? 47. Remember how short my time is—for what vanity you have created all mortals! 48. Who can live and never see death? Who can escape the power of Sheol? 49. Lord, where is your steadfast love of old, which by your faithfulness you swore to David? 50. Remember, O Lord, how your servant is taunted; how I bear in my bosom the insults of the peoples, 51. with which your enemies taunt, O Lord, with which they taunted the footsteps of your anointed. 52. Blessed be the Lord forever.

Amen and Amen.

**All: 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 Lesson** - (4th Lent – Monday, March 23, 2020 – Pg. 955 BCP)

### **The Gospel – Mark 7:24-37**

Reader: A reading from the Gospel of Mark

#### **The Syrophenician Woman's Faith**

24. From there he set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, 25. but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. 26. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. 27. He said to her, "Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." 28. But she answered him, "Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children's crumbs." 29. Then he said to her, "For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter." 30. So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone.

#### **Jesus Cures a Deaf Man**

31. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. 32. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. 33. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. 34. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to

him, "Ephphatha," that is, "Be opened." 35. And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. 36. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. 37. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, "He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak." (*Silence*)

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

### **The Song of Simeon** – Page 120 BCP

Luke 2:29-32

Officiant: Let us say the song of Simeon together:

**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 Apostles' Creed** – Page 120 BCP

Officiant: Let us say the Apostles' Creed together

**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 Prayers – Page 121 BCP**

Officiant : The Lord be with you.

**People: And also with you.**

Officiant : Let us pray.

*Officiant and People*

**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.**

### **The Suffrage: B – Page 122 BCP**

Officiant: That this evening may be holy, good, and peaceful,

***People: We entreat you, O Lord.***

Officiant: That your holy angels may lead us in paths of peace and goodwill,

***People: We entreat you, O Lord.***

Officiant: That we may be pardoned and forgiven for our sins and offenses,

***People: We entreat you, O Lord.***

Officiant: That there may be peace to your Church and to the whole world,

***People: We entreat you, O Lord.***

Officiant: That we may depart this life in your faith and fear, and not be condemned before the great judgment seat of Christ,

***People: We entreat you, O Lord.***

Officiant: That we may be bound together by your Holy Spirit in the communion of all your saints, entrusting one another and all our life to Christ,

**People: *We entreat you, O Lord.***

*The Officiant then says one or more of the following collects, beginning with the Collect of the Day (Sunday's). Family members may also take turns praying these prayers.*

### **Fourth Sunday in Lent – Page 219 BCP**

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

### **Ash Wednesday – Page 217 BCP**

Almighty and everlasting God, you hate nothing you have made and forgive the sins of all who are penitent: Create and make in us new and contrite hearts, that we, worthily lamenting our sins and acknowledging our wretchedness, may obtain of you, the God of all mercy, perfect remission and forgiveness; 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 Sundays* – Page 123 BCP**

Lord God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ triumphed over the powers of death and prepared for us our place in the new Jerusalem: Grant that we, who have this day given thanks for his resurrection, may praise you in that City of which he is the light, and where he lives and reigns for ever and ever. ***Amen.***

### **A Collect for Peace – Page 123 BCP**

Most holy God, the source of all good desires, all right judgements, 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.**

**A Collect for Aid against Perils** – Page 123 BCP

Be our light in the darkness, O Lord, and in your great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of your only Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

**A Collect for Protection** – Page 124 BCP

O God, the life of all who live, the light of the faithful, the strength of those who labor, and the repose of the dead: We thank you for the blessings of the day that is past, and humbly ask for your protection through the coming night. Bring us in safety to the morning hours; through him who died and rose again for us, your Son our Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

**A Collect for the Presence of Christ** – Page 123 BCP

Lord Jesus, stay with us, for evening is at hand and the day is past; be our companion in the way, kindle our hearts, and awaken hope, that we may know you as you are revealed in Scripture and the breaking of bread. Grant this for the sake of your love. **Amen.**

**A Prayer for a Pandemic**

May we who are merely inconvenienced remember those whose lives are at stake. May we who have no risk factors remember those most vulnerable. May we who have the luxury of working from home remember those who must choose between preserving their health or making their rent. May we who have the flexibility to care for our children when their schools close remember those children who will go hungry with no school meals. May we who have to cancel our trips remember those with no place to go. May we who are losing our margin money in the tumult of the economic market remember those who have no margin at all. May we who settle in for quarantine at home remember those who have no home. As fear grips our



country let us choose love. During this time when we cannot physically wrap our arms around each other let us yet find ways to be the loving embrace of God to our neighbour. Through Jesus Christ our Saviour, whose arms of love embrace us all. **Amen.** *Cameron Wiggins Bellm (alt.)*

### **A prayer about the Coronavirus Outbreak**

Keep us, good Lord, under the shadow of your mercy in this time of uncertainty and distress. Sustain and support the anxious and fearful, and lift up all who are brought low; that we may rejoice in your comfort knowing that nothing can separate us from your love in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

### **For Those in Isolation**

God of compassion be close to those who are ill, afraid, or in isolation, especially members of the Church of the Incarnation. In their loneliness, be their consolation; in their anxiety, be their hope; in their darkness, be their light; through him who suffered alone on the cross, but reigns with you in glory, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### ***A Prayer for Mission – Page 124 BCP***

Keep watch, dear Lord, with those who work, or watch, or weep this night, and give your angels charge over those who sleep. Tend the sick, Lord Christ; give rest to the weary, bless the dying, soothe the suffering, pity the afflicted, shield the joyous; and all for your love's sake. **Amen.**

***Please offer your prayers of intercessions and thanksgiving.***

*At the close of the office these prayers are said*

### ***The General Thanksgiving – Page 125 BCP***

***Officiant and People***

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your**

immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

*A Prayer of St. Chrysostom – Page 126 BCP*

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.*

*Then is said*

Officiant: Let us bless the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*The Officiant then concludes with the following*

Officiant: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore.

*2 Corinthians 13:14* **People: Amen.**

**THE END OF MONDAY'S EVENING PRAYER**