

THE DAILY OFFICE FOR THE FOURTH WEEK IN LENT

Tuesday, March 24th, 2020 – Year: 2 – Page 955 BCP

MORNING PRAYER – RITE TWO Beginning on page 76 BCP – Tuesday, March 24, 2020

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

Officiant: To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, because we have rebelled against him and have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God by following his laws which he set before us. *Daniel 9:9, 10.*

The following Confession of Sin may then be said;

Confession of Sin – Page 79 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 79 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 80 BCP

All stand

Officiant: Lord, open our lips.

People: And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

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.

In Lent – Page 81 BCP

Officiant: The Lord is full of compassion and mercy: **People:** Come let us adore him.

Venite Psalm 95:1-7 – Page 82 BCP

Officiant: Let us say the Venite together

Come, let us sing to the Lord; * let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving * and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, * and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, * and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, * and his hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, * and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

Then follows

The Psalms Appointed – (4th Lent – Tuesday, March 24, 2020 – Pg. 955 BCP)

Psalm 97:1-12

Officiant: Let us read Psalm 97 together.

The Glory of God's Reign

¹ The LORD is king! Let the earth rejoice; let the many coastlands be alad! ² Clouds and thick darkness are all around him; righteousness and justice are the foundation of his throne.³ Fire goes before him, and consumes his adversaries on every side. ⁴ His lightnings light up the world; the earth sees and trembles. ⁵ The mountains melt like wax before the LORD, before the Lord of all the earth. ⁶ The heavens proclaim his righteousness; and all the peoples behold his glory. ⁷All worshipers of images are put to shame, those who make their boast in worthless idols; all gods bow down before him. ⁸ Zion hears and is glad, and the towns of Judah rejoice, because of your judgments, O God. ⁹ For you, O LORD, are most high over all the earth; you are exalted far above all gods. ¹⁰ The LORD loves those who hate^[b] evil; he guards the lives of his faithful; he rescues them from the hand of the wicked. ¹¹ Light dawns^[c] for the righteous, and joy for the upright in heart. ¹² Rejoice in the LORD, O you righteous, and give thanks to his holy name!

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.

Psalm 99:1-9

Officiant: We will read Psalm 99 together.

Praise to God for His Holiness

¹The LORD is king; let the peoples tremble! He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!² The LORD is great in Zion; he is exalted over all the peoples. ³Let them praise your great and awesome name. Holy is he! ⁴ Mighty King,^[a] lover of justice, you have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob. ⁵ Extol the LORD our God; worship at his footstool. Holy is he! ⁶ Moses and Aaron were among his priests, Samuel also was among those who called on his name. They cried to the LORD, and he answered them. ⁷ He spoke to them in the pillar of cloud; they kept his decrees, and the statutes that he gave them. ⁸ O LORD our God, you answered them; you were a forgiving God to them, but avenger of their wrongdoings. an ⁹ Extol the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy.

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.

Psalm 100:1-5

Officiant: We will read Psalm 100 together.

All Lands Summoned to Praise God – A Psalm of thanksgiving.

¹ Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth. ² Worship the LORD with gladness; come into his presence with singing. ³ Know that the LORD is God. It is he that made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture. ⁴ Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise. Give thanks to him, bless his name. ⁵ For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

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 Lessons - (4th Lent – Tuesday, March 24, 2020 – Pg. 955 BCP)

Old Testament Lesson – Genesis 49:29-32 – 50:1-14

Reader: A reading from the Book of Genesis

Jacob's Death and Burial

²⁹ Then he charged them, saying to them, "I am about to be gathered to my people. Bury me with my ancestors—in the cave in the field of Ephron the Hittite, ³⁰ in the cave in the field at Machpelah, near Mamre, in the land of Canaan, in the field that Abraham bought from Ephron the Hittite as a burial site. ³¹ There Abraham and his wife Sarah were buried; there Isaac and his wife Rebekah were buried; and there I buried Leah— ³² the field and the cave that is in it were purchased from the Hittites." ³³ When Jacob ended his charge to his sons, he drew up his feet into the bed, breathed his last, and was gathered to his people.

50:1.Then Joseph threw himself on his father's face and wept over him and kissed him. ² Joseph commanded the physicians in his service to embalm his father. So the physicians embalmed Israel; ³ they spent forty days in doing this, for that is the time required for embalming. And the Egyptians wept for him seventy days.

⁴When the days of weeping for him were past, Joseph addressed the household of Pharaoh, "If now I have found favor with you, please speak to Pharaoh as follows: ⁵ My father made me swear an oath; he said, 'I am about to die. In the tomb that I hewed out for myself in the land of Canaan, there you shall bury me.' Now therefore let me go up, so that I may bury my father; then I will return." ⁶ Pharaoh answered, "Go up, and bury your father, as he made you swear to do."

⁷ So Joseph went up to bury his father. With him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his household, and all the elders of the land of Egypt, ⁸ as well as all the household of Joseph, his brothers, and his father's household. Only their children, their flocks, and their herds were left in the land of Goshen. ⁹ Both chariots and charioteers went up with him. It was a very great company. ¹⁰ When they came to the threshing floor of Atad, which is beyond the Jordan, they held there a very great and sorrowful lamentation; and he observed a time of mourning for his father seven days. ¹¹ When the Canaanite inhabitants of the land saw the mourning on the part of the Egyptians." Therefore the place was named Abel-mizraim;^[a] it is beyond the Jordan. ¹² Thus his sons did for him as he had instructed them. ¹³ They carried him to the land of Canaan and buried him in the cave of the field at Machpelah, the field near Mamre, which Abraham bought as a burial site from Ephron the Hittite. ¹⁴ After he had buried his father, Joseph returned to Egypt with his brothers and all who had gone up with him to bury his father. *(Silence)*

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 13 A Song of Praise – Page 90 BCP

Officiant: Let us read Canticle 13 together.

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;* you are worthy of praise; glory to you. Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;* we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever. Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *on the throne of your majesty, glory to you. Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;* we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever. Glory to you, beholding the depths;* in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

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 Epistle – 1 Corinthians 11:17-34

Reader: A reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

Abuses at the Lord's Supper

¹⁷ Now in the following instructions I do not commend you, because when you come together it is not for the better but for the worse. ¹⁸ For, to begin with, when you come together as a church, I hear that there are divisions among you; and to some extent I believe it. ¹⁹ Indeed, there have to be factions among you, for only so will it become clear who among you are genuine. ²⁰ When you come together, it is not really to eat the Lord's supper. ²¹ For when the time comes to eat, each of you goes ahead with your own

supper, and one goes hungry and another becomes drunk. ²² What! Do you not have homes to eat and drink in? Or do you show contempt for the church of God and humiliate those who have nothing? What should I say to you? Should I commend you? In this matter I do not commend you!

The Institution of the Lord's Supper

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also handed on to you, that the Lord Jesus on the night when he was betrayed took a loaf of bread, ²⁴ and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body that is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." ²⁵ In the same way he took the cup also, after supper, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." ²⁶ For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Partaking of the Supper Unworthily

²⁷ Whoever, therefore, eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be answerable for the body and blood of the Lord.
²⁸ Examine yourselves, and only then eat of the bread and drink of the cup.
²⁹ For all who eat and drink without discerning the body, eat and drink judgment against themselves. ³⁰ For this reason many of you are weak and ill, and some have died. ³¹ But if we judged ourselves, we would not be judged. ³² But when we are judged by the Lord, we are disciplined so that we may not be condemned along with the world.

³³ So then, my brothers and sisters, when you come together to eat, wait for one another. ³⁴ If you are hungry, eat at home, so that when you come together, it will not be for your condemnation. About the other things I will give instructions when I come. *(Silence)*

Reader: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks be to God.**

Canticle 18 – A Song of The Lamb – Page 93 - BCP Revelation 4:11; 5:9-10, 13

Officiant: Let us read Canticle 18 together

Splendor and honor and kingly power* are yours by right, O Lord our God, For you created everything that is,* and by your will they were created and have their being; And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain,* for with your blood you have redeemed for God, From every family, language, people, and nation,* a kingdom of priests to serve our God. And so, to him who sits upon the throne, *and to Christ the Lamb, Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor,* for ever and for evermore.

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

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

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 98 BCP

Officiant:	Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;
People:	Govern and uphold them, now and always.
Officiant:	Day by day we bless you;
People:	We praise your name for ever.
Officiant:	Lord, keep us from all sin today;
People:	Have mercy upon us, Lord, have mercy.
Officiant:	Lord, show us your love and mercy;
People:	For we put our trust in you.
Officiant:	In you, Lord, is our hope;
People:	And we shall never hope in vain.

The Officiant then says 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.*

Prayers to begin each day during this time

Most loving Father, whose will it is for us to give thanks for all things, to fear nothing but the loss of you, and to cast all our care on you who care for us: Preserve us from faithless fears and worldly anxieties, that no clouds of this mortal life may hide from us the light of that love which is immortal, and which you have manifested to us in your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **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.**

A Prayer in Confusion

O God, who brought us to birth, and in whose arms we die: in our grief and shock contain and comfort us; embrace us with your love, give us hope in

our confusion, and grace to let go into new life; through Jesus Christ. **Amen.** *By Janet Morley*

A Prayer 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 Collect for Grace – Page 100 BCP

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Guidance - Page 100 BCP

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Prayer for Mission – Page 100 BCP

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.*

Please offer your prayers of intercessions and thanksgiving.

At the close of the office these prayers are said

The General Thanksgiving – Page 101 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 102 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: 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. *Ephesians 3:20,21* **People:** *Amen.*

THE END OF TUESDAY'S MORNING PRAYER