

Morning Prayer: Friday, November 13, 2020

Officiant O Lord, open our lips,

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

Officiant O God, make speed to save us.

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

Officiant The night has passed, and the day lies open before us;
let us pray with one heart and mind.

Silence is kept.

As we rejoice in the gift of this new day, so may the light of your presence,
O God, set our hearts on fire with love for you; now and for ever.

All **Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**

Psalm 88

¹Lord, you are the God who saves me;
day and night I cry out to you.

²May my prayer come before you;
turn your ear to my cry.

³I am overwhelmed with troubles
and my life draws near to death.

⁴I am counted among those who go down to the pit;
I am like one without strength.

⁵I am set apart with the dead,
like the slain who lie in the grave,
whom you remember no more,
who are cut off from your care.

⁶You have put me in the lowest pit,
in the darkest depths.

⁷Your wrath lies heavily on me;
you have overwhelmed me with all your waves.^[d]

⁸You have taken from me my closest friends
and have made me repulsive to them.
I am confined and cannot escape;

- ⁹ my eyes are dim with grief.
I call to you, Lord, every day;
I spread out my hands to you.
- ¹⁰ Do you show your wonders to the dead?
Do their spirits rise up and praise you?
- ¹¹ Is your love declared in the grave,
your faithfulness in Destruction^[e]?
- ¹² Are your wonders known in the place of darkness,
or your righteous deeds in the land of oblivion?
- ¹³ But I cry to you for help, Lord;
in the morning my prayer comes before you.
- ¹⁴ Why, Lord, do you reject me
and hide your face from me?
- ¹⁵ From my youth I have suffered and been close to death;
I have borne your terrors and am in despair.
- ¹⁶ Your wrath has swept over me;
your terrors have destroyed me.
- ¹⁷ All day long they surround me like a flood;
they have completely engulfed me.
- ¹⁸ You have taken from me friend and neighbor—
darkness is my closest friend.

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.

Reading

The New Testament reading

A reading from Luke

Luke 17: 26-37

²⁶ "Just as it was in the days of Noah, so also will it be in the days of the Son of Man.

²⁷ People were eating, drinking, marrying and being given in marriage up to the day Noah entered the ark. Then the flood came and destroyed them all.

²⁸ "It was the same in the days of Lot. People were eating and drinking, buying and selling, planting and building.

²⁹ But the day Lot left Sodom, fire and sulfur rained down from heaven and destroyed them all.

³⁰ "It will be just like this on the day the Son of Man is revealed.

³¹ On that day no one who is on the housetop, with possessions inside, should go down to get them. Likewise, no one in the field should go back for anything.

³² Remember Lot's wife!

³³ Whoever tries to keep their life will lose it, and whoever loses their life will preserve it.

³⁴ I tell you, on that night two people will be in one bed; one will be taken and the other left

³⁵ Two women will be grinding grain together; one will be taken and the other left."

³⁶ "Where, Lord?" they asked.

³⁷ He replied, "Where there is a dead body, there the vultures will gather."

After the reading the reader says,

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Benedictus

1 Blessed be the Lord God of Israel :
for he hath visited, and redeemed his people;

2 And hath raised up a mighty salvation for us :
in the house of his servant David;

3 As he spoke by the mouth of his holy Prophets :
which have been since the world began;

4 That we should be saved from our enemies :
and from the hands of all that hate us;

5 To perform the mercy promised to our forefathers :
and to remember his holy covenant;

6 To perform the oath which he swore to our forefather Abraham :

that he would give us,

7 That we being delivered out of the hands of our enemies :
might serve him without fear,

8 In holiness and righteousness before him :
all the days of our life.

9 And thou, child, shalt be called the Prophet of the Highest :
for thou shalt go before the face of the Lord to prepare his ways;

10 To give knowledge of salvation unto his people :
for the remission of their sins;

11 Through the tender mercy of our God :
whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us;

12 To give light to them that sit in darkness,
and in the shadow of death :
and to guide our feet into the way of peace.

Luke 1:68-79

All **Glory to the Source of all Being, the Eternal Word and Holy Spirit: as it
was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Intercessions and Thanksgivings

Prayers are offered in a period of silence.

Lord's Prayer

Officiant Gathering our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour
taught us,

All **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.**

Dismissal

Officiant Let us bless the Lord. Alleluiah!

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