

THE INVITATORY AND PSALTER, p. 42

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.
People *And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.*
 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.
Officiant Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: O Come, let us adore him.

THE VENITE Psalm 95:1-7, 96:9, p. 44 (said unison)

O come, let us sing unto the Lord; *
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and show ourselves glad in him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the corners of the earth, *
and the strength of the hills is his also.
The sea is his, and he made it, *
and his hands prepared the dry land.

O come, let us worship and fall down, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is the Lord our God, *
and we are the people of his pasture
and the sheep of his hand.

O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness; *
let the whole earth stand in awe of him.
For he cometh, for he cometh to judge the earth, *
and with righteousness to judge the world
and the peoples with his truth.

THE PSALM APPOINTED: PSALM 119:89-96 (said in unison)

89 O LORD, your word is everlasting; *
it stands firm in the heavens.

90 Your faithfulness remains from one generation to another; *
you established the earth, and it abides.

- 91 *By your decree these continue to this day, **
for all things are your servants.
- 92 *If my delight had not been in your law, **
I should have perished in my affliction.
- 93 *I will never forget your commandments, **
because by them you give me life.
- 94 *I am yours; oh, that you would save me! **
for I study your commandments.
- 95 *Though the wicked lie in wait for me to destroy me, **
I will apply my mind to your decrees.
- 96 *I see that all things come to an end, **
but your commandment has no bounds.

*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 FIRST LESSON

Reader A reading from the Prophet Isaiah: chapter 6, beginning at the 6th verse.



One of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: “Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out.”

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” And I said, “Here am I; send me!” And he said, “Go and say to this people: ‘Keep listening, but do not comprehend; keep looking, but do not understand.’ Make the mind of this people dull, and stop their ears, and shut their eyes, so that they may not look with their eyes, and listen with their ears, and comprehend with their minds, and turn and be healed.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE 9: The First Song of Isaiah, *Ecce, Deus*, p. 86 (said in unison)

*Surely, it is God who saves me; **
I will trust in him and not be afraid.

*For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense, **
and he will be my Savior.

*Therefore you shall draw water with rejoicing **
from the springs of salvation.

*And on that day you shall say, **

*Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name;
Make his deeds known among the peoples; *
see that they remember that his Name is exalted.
Sing the praises of the Lord, for he has done great things, *
and this is known in all the world.
Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, *
for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of 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 SECOND LESSON

Reader A reading from Saint John's Gospel: chapter 3, beginning at the 11th verse.

*J*esus said, "Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

CANTICLE 13: A Song of Praise, *Benedictus es*, p. 90 (said in unison)
Song of the Three Young Men, 29-34

*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 you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; *
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.*

THE APOSTLE'S CREED, p. 53-54 (said in unison)

Officiant I believe in God, the Father almighty,
People *maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord;
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead, and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead.
He ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father almighty.
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the +resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.*

THE PRAYERS, p. 54


Officiant The Lord be with you.
People *And with thy spirit.*
Officiant Let us pray.
*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 SUFFRAGES A, p. 55


Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us;
People *And grant us thy salvation.*
Officiant Endue thy ministers with righteousness;
People *And make thy chosen people joyful.*
Officiant Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People *For only in thee can we live in safety.*
Officiant Lord, keep this nation under thy care;
People *And guide us in the way of justice and truth.*
Officiant Let thy way be known upon earth;
People *They saving health among all nations.*
Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People *Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.*
Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People *And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.*

THE COLLECTS (*prayed by the Officiant*)


The Collect of the Day: Joseph Butler, Bishop of Durham

 God, who by thy Holy Spirit dost give to some the word of wisdom, to others the word of knowledge, and to others the word of faith: We praise thy name for the gifts of grace manifested in thy servant Joseph Butler, and we pray that thy Church may never be destitute of such gifts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with thee and the same Spirit liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for the Renewal of Life, p. 56

 God, the King eternal, who dividest the day from the night and turnest the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep thy law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done thy will with cheerfulness while it was day, we may, when night cometh, rejoice to give thee thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission, p. 58

 God, who hast made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after thee and find thee; bring the nations into thy fold; pour out thy Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of thy kingdom; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THE INTERCESSIONS, p. 58 - 59

We invite your prayers, either silently or aloud...

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING, p. 58 (*said in unison*)

Officiant Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
People *we thine unworthy servants*
do give thee most humble and hearty thanks
for all thy goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all men.
We bless thee for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for thine inestimable 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 beseech thee,
give us that due sense of all thy mercies,
that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful;
and that we show forth thy praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to thy service,
and by walking before thee
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost,
be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

MUSICAL REFLECTION

THE HOMILY

The Rev'd Mark L. Fitzhugh

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM, p. 59 (*prayed by the Officiant*)

*A*lmighty God, who hast given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication unto thee; and hast promised through thy well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name thou wilt be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, the desires and petitions of thy servants as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of thy truth, and in the world to come life everlasting. *Amen.*

THE DISMISSAL

Officiant Let us bless the Lord.

People *Thanks be to God.*

THE GRACE

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. *Amen.*

POSTLUDE