

THE DAILY OFFICE
MORNING PRAYER RITE I for the FOURTH TUESDAY OF EASTER, May 5th, 2020
St. John's of Lattingtown Episcopal Church

MORNING PRAYER RITE I BEGINS ON PAGE 42 OF THE BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER

ORGAN PRELUDE

THE WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OPENING SENTENCE, p. 39

Officiant Alleluia! Christ is risen.
People *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

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 Alleluia. The Lord is risen indeed: O come, let us adore him. Alleluia.

THE JUBILATE *Psalm 100*, p. 45 (*said by all in union*)

Be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;
it is he that hath made us and not we ourselves; *
we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving
and into his courts with praise; *
be thankful unto him and speak good of his Name.

For the Lord is gracious;
his mercy is everlasting; *
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

THE PSALM APPOINTED: PSALM 45 (*said by all in unison*)

- 1 My heart is stirring with a noble song;
let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; *
my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.
- 2 You are the fairest of men; *
grace flows from your lips,
because God has blessed you for ever.
- 3 Strap your sword upon your thigh, O mighty warrior, *
in your pride and in your majesty.
- 4 Ride out and conquer in the cause of truth *
and for the sake of justice.
- 5 Your right hand will show you marvelous things; *
your arrows are very sharp, O mighty warrior.
- 6 The peoples are falling at your feet, *
and the king's enemies are losing heart.
- 7 Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, *
a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom;
you love righteousness and hate iniquity.
- 8 Therefore God, your God, has anointed you *
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.
- 9 All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, *
and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.
- 10 Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; *
on your right hand is the queen,
adorned with the gold of Ophir.
- 11 "Hear, O daughter; consider and listen closely; *
forget your people and your father's house.

- 12 The king will have pleasure in your beauty; *
he is your master; therefore do him honor.
- 13 The people of Tyre are here with a gift; *
the rich among the people seek your favor."
- 14 All glorious is the princess as she enters; *
her gown is cloth-of-gold.
- 15 In embroidered apparel she is brought to the king; *
after her the bridesmaids follow in procession.
- 16 With joy and gladness they are brought, *
and enter into the palace of the king.
- 17 "In place of fathers, O king, you shall have sons; *
you shall make them princes over all the earth.
- 18 I will make your name to be remembered
from one generation to another; *
therefore nations will praise you for ever and ever."

*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 First Letter of Paul to the Thessalonians 1:1-10.

*P*aul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace. We always give thanks to God for all of you and mention you in our prayers, constantly remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ. For we know, brothers and sisters beloved by God, that he has chosen you, because our message of the gospel came to you not in word only, but also in power and in the Holy Spirit and with full conviction; just as you know what kind of persons we proved to be among you for your sake. And you became imitators of us and of the Lord, for in spite of persecution you received the word with joy inspired by the Holy Spirit, so that you became an example to all the believers in Macedonia and in Achaia. For the word of the

Lord has sounded forth from you not only in Macedonia and Achaia, but in every place your faith in God has become known, so that we have no need to speak about it. For the people of those regions report about us what kind of welcome we had among you, and how you turned to God from idols, to serve a living and true God, and to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead—Jesus, who rescues us from the wrath that is coming.

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

CANTICLE 2: A Song of Praise, *Benedictus es, Domine*, p. 49 (*said by all in unison*)
A Song of Three Young Men, 29-34

*Blessed art thou, O Lord God of our fathers; **
praised and exalted above all for ever.

*Blessed art thou for the name of thy Majesty; **
praised and exalted above all for ever.

*Blessed art thou in the temple of thy holiness; **
praised and exalted above all for ever.

Blessed art thou that beholdest the depths,
*and dwellest between the Cherubim; **
praised and exalted above all for ever.

*Blessed art thou on the glorious throne of thy kingdom; **
praised and exalted above all for ever.

*Blessed art thou in the firmament of heaven; **
praised and exalted above all for ever.

*Blessed art thou, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; **
praised and exalted above all for ever.

THE SECOND LESSON

Reader A reading from the Gospel of Matthew 5:11-16.

*J*esus said, “Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. “You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it

gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven”

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

CANTICLE 6: Glory be to God, *Gloria in excelsis*, p. 52 (said by all in unison)

*Glory be to God on high,
and on earth peace, good will towards men.*

*We praise thee, we bless thee,
we worship thee,
we glorify thee,
we give thanks to thee for thy great glory,
O Lord God, heavenly King, God the Father Almighty.*

*O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
that takest away the sins of the world,
have mercy upon us.
Thou that takest away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father,
have mercy upon us.*

*For thou only art holy,
thou only art the Lord,
thou only, O Christ,
with the Holy Ghost,
art most high in the glory of God the Father. Amen.*

THE APOSTLE’S CREED, p. 53-54 (said by all)

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, p. 55

Officiant O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage;
People *Govern and uphold them for ever.*

Officiant Day by day we magnify thee;
People *And we worship thy Name ever, world without end.*

Officiant Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin;
People *O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us.*

Officiant O Lord, let thy mercy be upon us;
People *As our trust is in thee.*

Officiant O Lord, in thee have I trusted;
People *Let me never be confounded.*

THE COLLECTS (*prayed by the Officiant*)

The Collect of the Day: The Fourth Sunday of Easter, p. 173

God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of thy people; Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calleth us each by name, and follow where he doth lead; who, with thee and the Holy Spirit, liveth and reigneth, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Collect for Peace, p. 57

God, who art the author of peace and lover of concord, in knowledge of whom standeth our eternal life, whose service is perfect freedom: Defend us, thy humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in thy defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

A Collect for Mission, p. 58

Lord Jesus Christ, who didst stretch out thine arms of love on the hard wood of the cross that everyone might come within the reach of thy saving embrace: So clothe us in thy Spirit that we, reaching forth our hands in love, may bring those who do not know thee to the knowledge and love of thee; for the honor of thy Name. *Amen.*

THE INTERCESSIONS, p. 58 - 59

Here we invite you to offer your own prayers, intercessions or thanksgivings, either spoken aloud or in the silence of your hearts. This morning we pray for, especially, all those affected by the Coronavirus

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING, p. 58 (*said by all*)

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 *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!*

Hyfrydol

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. Alleluia, alleluia.

People *Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.*

THE GRACE

Officiant The grace of our +Lord Jesus Christ, and love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Ghost, be with us all evermore. *Amen. 2 Cor. 13:14*

POSTLUDE

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Dear Friends,

*A*s we celebrate the Easter Season, we pray that you will engage with St. John's not only in a prayerful and spiritual way but also in a faithfully financial way.

*T*hese weeks of closure due to the coronavirus have been an understandable strain on our life as a parish family. The forgone plate and pledge offerings of the last few weeks are critical pieces of our mission and ministry. If you are able to offer any of your regular pledge payments and/or plate offerings you can do so online at www.stjlat.org, by text to give at 1-855-917-3147, or sending checks in the mail that would be wonderful.

*N*ow that during this Easter Season the clergy, wardens, and staff of St. John's hold you and your family in their prayers! Easter is a season of rebirth, resurrection, and loving hope! During this Easter season, please consider how St. John's, over the past 100+ years has continued to teach and live out this sacrificial and resurrection-focused servant ministry of Jesus Christ in the lives of its parishioners and its community. Please, faithfully continue your support of St. John's however you can during these curious times.