

THE DAILY OFFICE
MORNING PRAYER RITE I for the FIFTH THURSDAY OF EASTER, May 14th, 2020
St. John's of Lattingtown Episcopal Church

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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 70 (*said by all in unison*)

- 1 Be pleased, O God, to deliver me; *
O LORD, make haste to help me.

- 2 Let those who seek my life be ashamed
and altogether dismayed; *
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be disgraced.

- 3 Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn back, *
because they are ashamed.

- 4 Let all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say for ever,
"Great is the LORD!"

- 5 But as for me, I am poor and needy; *
come to me speedily, O God.

- 6 You are my helper and my deliverer; *
O LORD, do not tarry.

*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 Second Letter to the Thessalonians 1:1-12.

*P*aul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of every one of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring. This is evidence of the righteous judgment of God, and is intended to make you worthy of the kingdom of God, for which you are also suffering. For it is indeed just of God to repay with affliction those who afflict you, and to give relief to the afflicted as well as to us, when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven with his mighty

angels in flaming fire, inflicting vengeance on those who do not know God and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. These will suffer the punishment of eternal destruction, separated from the presence of the Lord and from the glory of his might, when he comes to be glorified by his saints and to be marveled at on that day among all who have believed, because our testimony to you was believed. To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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 6:25-34.

*J*esus said, ““Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or what you will drink, or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air; they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And can any of you

by worrying add a single hour to your span of life? And why do you worry about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin, yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not clothed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which is alive today and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you—you of little faith? Therefore do not worry, saying, ‘What will we eat?’ or ‘What will we drink?’ or ‘What will we wear?’ For it is the Gentiles who strive for all these things; and indeed your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things. But strive first for the kingdom of God and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well. “So do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will bring worries of its own. Today’s trouble is enough for today.”

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 Fifth Sunday of Easter, p. 173

○ Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know thy Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leadeth to eternal life; through the same thy Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, 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 *Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve*

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THE HOMILY

The Rev'd Stephen C. Tamke

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.

*K*now 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.

