

## MORNING PRAYER

*Officiant* Turn your face from my sins,  
and blot out all my misdeeds. *Psalms 51:9*

### CONFESSIO N OF SIN

*Officiant* Let us humbly confess our sins to Almighty God.

*Silence is kept. All kneeling, the Officiant and People say*

**Almighty and most merciful Father,  
we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep.  
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.  
We have offended against your holy laws.  
We have left undone those things which we ought to have done,  
and we have done those things which we ought not to have done;  
and apart from your grace, there is no health in us.  
O Lord, have mercy upon us.  
Spare all those who confess their faults.  
Restore all those who are penitent, according to your promises  
declared to all people in Christ Jesus our Lord.  
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake,  
that we may now live a godly, righteous, and sober life,  
to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.**

*Officiant* Grant to your faithful people, merciful Lord,  
pardon and peace; that we may be cleansed from  
all our sins, and serve you with a quiet mind;  
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### INVITATORY

*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* Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the  
Holy Spirit.  
*People* **As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall  
be, world without end. Amen.**  
*Officiant* Praise the Lord.  
*People* **The Lord's Name be praised.**

### VENITE

*O Come*

**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 all the depths of the earth  
and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for 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 our God,  
and we are the people of his pasture,  
and the sheep of his hand.  
Today, if you will hear his voice, harden not your hearts  
as in the provocation, and as in the day of temptation in the  
wilderness,  
When your fathers tested me,  
and put me to the proof, though they had seen my works.  
Forty years long was I grieved with this generation, and said,  
"It is a people that err in their hearts,  
for they have not known my ways,"  
Of whom I swore in my wrath  
that they should not enter into my rest.**

*Officiant*        The Lord is full of compassion and mercy.  
*People*            **O come, let us adore him.**

THE PSALM  
Psalm 18:1-20

- <sup>1</sup> I will love you, O Lord my strength; \*  
    **the Lord is my rock, my stronghold, and my deliverer,**
- <sup>2</sup> My Savior, my God, and my might in whom I will trust, \*  
    **my buckler, the horn of my salvation, and my refuge.**
- <sup>3</sup> I will call upon the Lord, who is worthy to be praised; \*  
    **so shall I be safe from my enemies.**
- <sup>4</sup> The waves of death encompassed me; \*  
    **the floods that would swallow me up made me afraid.**
- <sup>5</sup> The cords of the grave surrounded me; \*  
    **the snares of death overtook me.**
- <sup>6</sup> In my trouble I called upon the Lord \*  
    **and cried unto my God for help.**
- <sup>7</sup> From his holy temple he heard my voice. \*  
    **My complaint came before him; it entered into his ears.**
- <sup>8</sup> The earth trembled and quaked; \*  
    **the very foundations of the hills shook and were removed,**  
    **because he was angry.**
- <sup>9</sup> There went out smoke from his nostrils and a consuming fire  
    out of his mouth; \*  
    **coals of fire issued from his presence.**
- <sup>10</sup> He parted the heavens also and came down, \*  
    **and it was dark under his feet.**
- <sup>11</sup> He rode upon the cherubim and flew; \*  
    **he came flying upon the wings of the wind.**
- <sup>12</sup> He made darkness his secret place; \*  
    **dark waters and thick clouds were his covering round**  
    **about him.**
- <sup>13</sup> At the brightness of his presence his clouds broke forth: \*  
    **hailstones and coals of fire.**

<sup>14</sup> The Lord also thundered out of heaven, and the Most High  
    gave forth his voice: \*

**hailstones and coals of fire.**

<sup>15</sup> He sent out his arrows and scattered them; \*  
    he cast forth lightning and destroyed them.

<sup>16</sup> The springs of water were seen, and the foundations of the  
    world were uncovered, \*

**at your rebuke, O Lord, at the blasting of the breath of**  
    **your displeasure.**

<sup>17</sup> He reached down from on high to grasp me, \*  
    **and he took me out of many waters.**

<sup>18</sup> He delivered me from my strongest enemy, and from those  
    who hated me, \*

**for they were too mighty for me.**

<sup>19</sup> They confronted me in the day of my trouble, \*  
    **but the Lord upheld me.**

<sup>20</sup> He brought me forth into a place of liberty; \*  
    **he delivered me, because I had found favor in his eyes.**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;**  
**as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,**  
**world without end. Amen.**

THE FIRST LESSON  
Ezekiel 39:21-29

*Lector*            The Word of the Lord.

*People*            **Thanks be to God.**

BENEDICTUS ES, DOMINE  
*A Song of Praise*

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 SECOND LESSON  
Galatians 4:21-31

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

QUAERITE DOMINUM  
*Seek the Lord while he wills to be found*

Seek the Lord while he wills to be found;  
call upon him when he draws near.  
Let the wicked forsake their ways  
and the evil ones their thoughts;  
And let them turn to the Lord, and he will have compassion,  
and to our God, for he will richly pardon.  
For my thoughts are not your thoughts,  
nor your ways my ways, says the Lord.  
For as the heavens are higher than the earth,  
so are my ways higher than your ways,  
and my thoughts than your thoughts.  
For as rain and snow fall from the heavens  
and return not again, but water the earth,  
Bringing forth life and giving growth,  
seed for sowing and bread for eating,  
So is my word that goes forth from my mouth;  
it will not return to me empty;  
But it will accomplish that which I have purposed,

and prosper in that for which I sent it.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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 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 with your spirit.  
*Officiant* Let us pray.  
*Officiant* Lord, have mercy upon us.  
*People* Christ, have mercy upon us.  
*Officiant* Lord, have mercy upon us.

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.

*Officiant* O Lord, show your mercy upon us;  
*People* **And grant us your salvation.**  
*Officiant* O Lord, guide those who govern us;  
*People* **And lead us in the way of justice and truth.**  
*Officiant* Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
*People* **And let your people sing with joy.**  
*Officiant* O Lord, save your people;  
*People* **And bless your inheritance.**  
*Officiant* Give peace in our time, O Lord;  
*People* **And defend us by your mighty power.**  
*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 take not your Holy Spirit from us.**

THE COLLECT FOR  
THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT

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.

A COLLECT FOR  
STRENGTH TO AWAIT CHRIST'S RETURN

O God our King, by the resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ on the first day of the week, you conquered sin, put death to flight, and gave us the hope of everlasting life: Redeem all our days by this victory; forgive our sins, banish our fears, make us bold to praise you and to do your will; and steel us to wait for the consummation of your kingdom on the last great Day; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting in your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries, through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

A COLLECT FOR GRACE

O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to the beginning of this day: Defend us by your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin nor run into any danger; and that, guided by your Spirit, we may do what is righteous in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O God the Son, Redeemer of the world,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O God the Holy Spirit, Sanctifier of the faithful,  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God,

**Have mercy upon us.**

Remember not, Lord Jesus, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forebears; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare your people, whom you have redeemed with your most precious blood, and by your mercy preserve us for ever.

**Spare us, good Lord.**

From all evil and wickedness; from sin, from the works and assaults of the devil; from your wrath and everlasting condemnation,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vanity, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all lack of charity,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all disordered and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, and the devil,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of your Word and commandments,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestilence, and famine,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and unprepared,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By the mystery of your holy incarnation; by your holy nativity and submission to the Law; by your baptism, fasting, and temptation,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By your agony and bloody sweat; by your Cross and passion; by your precious death and burial,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

By your glorious resurrection and ascension; by the sending of the Holy Spirit; by your heavenly intercession; and by your coming again in power and great glory,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

In all times of tribulation; in all times of prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the day of judgment,

**Good Lord, deliver us.**

We sinners beseech you to hear us, O Lord God: that it may please you to rule and govern your holy Church universal in the right way,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To illumine all Bishops, Priests, and Deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of your Word; and that, both by their preaching and living, they may show it accordingly,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To send forth laborers into your harvest; to prosper their work by your Holy Spirit; to make your saving health known unto all nations; and to hasten the coming of your kingdom,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To give all your people increase of grace to hear your Word with humility, to receive it with pure affection, and to bring forth the fruit of the Spirit,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To give us a heart to love and fear you, and diligently to keep your commandments,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To bless and keep all your people,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please you to rule the hearts of your servant *N*, the *President/Sovereign/Prime Minister*, and all others in authority, that

they may do justice, and show mercy, and walk humbly before you,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To bless and guide all judges, giving them grace to execute justice, and to maintain truth,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To bless and keep our armed forces by sea, and land, and air, and to shield them in all dangers and adversities,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To bless and protect all who serve their communities by their labor and learning,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To give and preserve for us and for others the bountiful fruits of the earth, so that at the harvest we all may enjoy them,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To make wars to cease in all the world, and to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please you to show mercy on all prisoners and captives; refugees, the homeless, and the hungry; and all those who are desolate and oppressed,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To preserve all who are in danger by reason of their work or travel,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To strengthen the bonds of those in Holy Matrimony; to uphold the widowed and abandoned; and to comfort all whose homes are torn by strife,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To protect the unborn and their parents, and to preserve all women in childbirth;

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To care for those who have lost children or face infertility, and to provide for young children and orphans,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To visit the lonely and those who grieve; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, or spirit; and to comfort with your presence those who are failing and infirm,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To support, help, and deliver all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To have mercy upon all people,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

That it may please you to give us true repentance; to forgive us all our sin, negligence, and ignorance; and to endue us with the grace of your Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to your holy Word,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to turn their hearts,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To strengthen those who stand; to encourage the faint-hearted; to raise up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan under our feet,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To grant to all the faithful departed eternal life and peace,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

To grant that, in the fellowship of [\_\_\_\_\_ and] all the saints, we may attain to your heavenly kingdom,

**We beseech you to hear us, good Lord.**

Son of God, we beseech you to hear us.

**Son of God, we beseech you to hear us.**

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;

**Have mercy upon us.**

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
**Have mercy upon us.**

O Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world;  
**Grant us your peace.**

O Christ, hear us.  
**O Christ, hear us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.  
**Christ, have mercy upon us.**

Lord, have mercy upon us.

### THE SUPPLICATION

O Lord, arise and help us;  
**And deliver us for your Name's sake.**

O God, we have heard with our ears, and our forebears have declared to us, the noble works that you did in their days, and in the time before them.

O Lord, arise and help us;  
**And deliver us for your Name's sake.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. **Amen.**

O Lord, arise and help us;  
**And deliver us for your Name's sake.**

From our enemies defend us, O Christ;  
**Graciously behold our afflictions.**

With pity behold the sorrows of our hearts;  
**Mercifully forgive the sins of your people.**

With favor hear our prayers;  
**O Son of David, have mercy upon us.**

Be pleased to hear us, O Christ;  
**Graciously hear us, O Christ; graciously hear us, O Lord Christ.**

Let us pray.

Look mercifully, O Father, on our infirmities; and, for the glory of your Name, rescue us from all those evils we now endure; and grant that in all our troubles we may put our whole trust and confidence in your mercy, serving you in holiness and purity of life, to your honor and glory; through our only Mediator and Advocate, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### A PRAYER OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time, with one accord to make our common supplications to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will grant their requests: 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.**

*Officiant*      Let us bless the Lord.  
*People*          **Thanks be to God.**

Additional prayers may be found in the *Book of Common Prayer* (2019) on pp. 642-683: <http://bcp2019.anglican church.net/wp-content/uploads/2019/08/BCP2019.pdf>