

## Morning Prayer

Tuesday, September 15



### Opening Sentence

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, O Lord, my strength and my redeemer. *Psalm 19:14*

### Confession

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. *Amen.*

Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life. *Amen.*

### Versicle and Response

Lord, open our lips.  
And our mouth shall proclaim your 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 forever. Amen. Alleluia.  
Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness:  
Come let us adore him.

### Venite

Come let us sing to the Lord,\*  
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.  
Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving\*  
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.  
For the Lord is a great God,\*  
and a great King above all gods.  
In his hand are the caverns of the earth,\*  
and the heights of the hills are his also.  
The sea is his, for he made it,\*  
and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee,\*  
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.\*  
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son,  
And to the Holy Spirit.  
As it was in the beginning, is now,  
And will be forever. *Amen.*

### **Antiphon**

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Come let us adore him.

### **Psalm 61** *Exaudi, Deus*

<sup>1</sup> Hear my cry, O God, \*  
and listen to my prayer.  
<sup>2</sup> I call upon you from the ends of the earth  
with heaviness in my heart; \*  
set me upon the rock that is higher than I.  
<sup>3</sup> For you have been my refuge, \*  
a strong tower against the enemy.  
<sup>4</sup> I will dwell in your house forever; \*  
I will take refuge under the cover of your wings.  
<sup>5</sup> For you, O God, have heard my vows; \*  
you have granted me the heritage of those  
who fear your Name.  
<sup>6</sup> Add length of days to the king's life; \*  
let his years extend over many generations.  
<sup>7</sup> Let him sit enthroned before God forever; \*  
bid love and faithfulness watch over him.  
<sup>8</sup> So will I always sing the praise of your Name, \*  
and day by day I will fulfill my vows.

### **Psalm 62** *Nonne Deo?*

<sup>1</sup> For God alone my soul in silence waits; \*  
from him comes my salvation.  
<sup>2</sup> He alone is my rock and my salvation, \*  
my stronghold, so that I shall not be greatly shaken.  
<sup>3</sup> How long will you assail me to crush me,  
all of you together, \*  
as if you were a leaning fence, a toppling wall?  
<sup>4</sup> They seek only to bring me down from my place of honor; \*  
lies are their chief delight.  
<sup>5</sup> They bless with their lips, \*  
but in their hearts they curse.  
<sup>6</sup> For God alone my soul in silence waits; \*  
truly, my hope is in him.  
<sup>7</sup> He alone is my rock and my salvation, \*  
my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

<sup>8</sup> In God is my safety and my honor; \*  
God is my strong rock and my refuge.  
<sup>9</sup> Put your trust in him always, O people, \*  
pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.  
<sup>10</sup> Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, \*  
even those of low estate cannot be trusted.  
<sup>11</sup> On the scales they are lighter than a breath, \*  
all of them together.  
<sup>12</sup> Put no trust in extortion;  
in robbery take no empty pride; \*  
though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.  
<sup>13</sup> God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, \*  
that power belongs to God.  
<sup>14</sup> Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, \*  
for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

### **Gloria Patri**

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Spirit:  
as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and will be forever. Amen. *Amen.*

### **The Old Testament Lesson**

*Job 40:1,41:1-11*

*Job 40*

<sup>1</sup>And the Lord said to Job:

*Job 41*

<sup>1</sup>Can you draw out Leviathan with a fish-hook,  
or press down its tongue with a cord?  
<sup>2</sup> Can you put a rope in its nose,  
or pierce its jaw with a hook?  
<sup>3</sup> Will it make many supplications to you?  
Will it speak soft words to you?  
<sup>4</sup> Will it make a covenant with you  
to be taken as your servant forever?  
<sup>5</sup> Will you play with it as with a bird,  
or will you put it on a leash for your girls?  
<sup>6</sup> Will traders bargain over it?  
Will they divide it up among the merchants?  
<sup>7</sup> Can you fill its skin with harpoons,  
or its head with fishing-spears?  
<sup>8</sup> Lay hands on it;  
think of the battle; you will not do it again!  
<sup>9</sup> Any hope of capturing it will be disappointed;  
were not even the gods overwhelmed at the sight of it?  
<sup>10</sup> No one is so fierce as to dare to stir it up.  
Who can stand before it?  
<sup>11</sup> Who can confront it and be safe?  
under the whole heaven, who?  
The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

### **Canticle 13**

#### **A Song of Praise**

*Benedictus es, Domine*

*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 forever.  
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 forever.  
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 forever.

### **The New Testament Lesson**

*Acts 16:6-15*

<sup>6</sup>They went through the region of Phrygia and Galatia, having been forbidden by the Holy Spirit to speak the word in Asia.<sup>7</sup>When they had come opposite Mysia, they attempted to go into Bithynia, but the Spirit of Jesus did not allow them;<sup>8</sup>so, passing by Mysia, they went down to Troas.<sup>9</sup>During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, 'Come over to Macedonia and help us.'<sup>10</sup>When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them.

<sup>11</sup>We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis,<sup>12</sup>and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days.<sup>13</sup>On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there.<sup>14</sup>A certain woman named Lydia, a worshipper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul.<sup>15</sup>When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, 'If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home.' And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

### **Canticle 18**

#### **A Song to the Lamb**

*Dignus es*

*Revelation 4:11; 5:9-10, 13*

Splendor and honor and kingly power \*  
are yours by right, O Lord our God,  
For you created everything that is, \*  
and by your will they were created and have their being;  
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, \*  
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,

From every family, language, people, and nation, \*  
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.  
And so, to him who sits upon the throne, \*  
and to Christ the Lamb,  
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, \*  
forever and forevermore.

### **The Gospel**

*John 12:9-19*

<sup>9</sup>When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came not only because of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead.<sup>10</sup>So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus to death as well,<sup>11</sup>since it was on account of him that many of the Jews were deserting and were believing in Jesus.

<sup>12</sup>The next day the great crowd that had come to the festival heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem.<sup>13</sup>So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, shouting, 'Hosanna!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord  
the King of Israel!

<sup>14</sup>Jesus found a young donkey and sat on it; as it is written:

<sup>15</sup> 'Do not be afraid, daughter of Zion.

Look, your king is coming,  
sitting on a donkey's colt!

<sup>16</sup>His disciples did not understand these things at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that these things had been written of him and had been done to him.<sup>17</sup>So the crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead continued to testify.<sup>18</sup>It was also because they heard that he had performed this sign that the crowd went to meet him.<sup>19</sup>The Pharisees then said to one another, 'You see, you can do nothing. Look, the world has gone after him!'

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

### **The Apostle's 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 power of 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 Lord's Prayer**

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 forever. *Amen.*

### **Suffrages**

Show us your mercy, O Lord;  
And grant us your salvation.  
Clothe your ministers with righteousness;  
Let your people sing with joy.  
Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;  
For only in you can we live in safety.  
Lord, keep this nation under your care;  
And guide us in the way of justice and truth.  
Let your way be known upon earth;  
Your saving health among all nations.  
Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;  
Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.  
Create in us clean hearts, O God;  
And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

### **Collect of the Day**

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

### **For Mission**

O God and Father of all, whom the whole heavens adore: Let the whole earth also worship you, all nations obey you, all tongues confess and bless you, and men and women everywhere love you and serve you in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

### **Collect of Commemoration**

Merciful God, you called your priest James Chisholm to sacrifice his life while working amid great suffering and death: Help us, like him, to live by the faith we profess, following in the footsteps of Jesus Christ our Lord; who with the Father and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

## **Trinity Cycle of Prayer**

*Ann & Bruce Barnes*

Let us pray now for our own needs and those of others.

### **A Prayer of St. Chrysostom**

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

### **Benediction**

Let us bless the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

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 forever and ever. *Amen. Ephesians 3:20, 21*

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### **The Commemoration**

James Chisholm was the rector of St. John's Episcopal Church in Portsmouth, Virginia, in the early 1850's, when a terrible plague of yellow fever struck the city, and which struck and killed him.

From [\*The Grest Pestilence in Virginia\*](#), by William S Forrest (1856):

WHO, that knew the Rev. James Chisholm by sight, would have dreamed that that frail body of his held such a lofty spirit! Weak and delicate, with a degree of modesty that almost amounted to bashfulness, as shrinking and retiring as a young girl, thousands would have passed him in the crowd unconscious that they were in the presence of a ripe scholar and an able divine. His look a personification of meekness; and, to the superficial thinker, he would seem to have been one of those who would quietly have retreated to his solitude, far away from the noise and bustle of an excited community. But the disease came Chisholm's flock nearly all left and he, too, was preparing to spend a portion of his summer in the mountains but stern duty said ' Stop.' And then it was that this pale, delicate, frail, retiring man came forth to the struggle, and the great fond noble soul, which was, after all, the stature of the man, rose in its God-given strength, and he was here at the bedside of suffering, and there by the fresh-made grave; here pointing the sinner to the cross of Christ, and there carrying food and drink to the needy; now in the pulpit, seizing upon the circumstances of the visitation, to warn men to prepare for death, and then in the hospital whispering peace to the penitent and departing soul. Death came to him, and he met him as one who,

" Sustained and soothed

By an unfaltering trust, approached the grave;

Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch

About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams."

Further information may be found in [\*Memoir of Rev. James Chisholm, A. M.\*](#), by David Holmes Conrad (1856), available from Google Books.