

## Morning Prayer

Monday, March 10



### Opening Statement

Rend your hearts and not your garments. Return to the Lord your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, and repents of evil. *Joel 2:13*

### Confession of Sin

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.*

### The Invitatory

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 for ever. Amen.*

### Antiphon

The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:  
Come let us adore him.

### Venite Psalm 95:1-7

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!  
The Lord is full of compassion and mercy:  
Come let us adore him.

**Psalm 41** *Beatus qui intelligit*

<sup>1</sup> Happy are they who consider the poor and needy! \*  
the Lord will deliver them in the time of trouble.  
<sup>2</sup> The Lord preserves them and keeps them alive,  
so that they may be happy in the land; \*  
he does not hand them over to the will of their enemies.  
<sup>3</sup> The Lord sustains them on their sickbed \*  
and ministers to them in their illness.  
<sup>4</sup> I said, Lord, be merciful to me; \*  
heal me, for I have sinned against you.  
<sup>5</sup> My enemies are saying wicked things about me: \*  
When will he die, and his name perish?  
<sup>6</sup> Even if they come to see me, they speak empty words; \*  
their heart collects false rumors;  
they go outside and spread them.  
<sup>7</sup> All my enemies whisper together about me \*  
and devise evil against me.  
<sup>8</sup> A deadly thing, they say, has fastened on him; \*  
he has taken to his bed and will never get up again.  
<sup>9</sup> Even my best friend, whom I trusted,  
who broke bread with me, \*  
has lifted up his heel and turned against me.  
<sup>10</sup> But you, O Lord, be merciful to me and raise me up, \*  
and I shall repay them.  
<sup>11</sup> By this I know you are pleased with me, \*  
that my enemy does not triumph over me.  
<sup>12</sup> In my integrity you hold me fast, \*  
and shall set me before your face for ever.  
<sup>13</sup> Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, \*  
from age to age. Amen. Amen.

**Psalm 52** *Quid gloriaris?*

<sup>1</sup> You tyrant, why do you boast of wickedness \*  
against the godly all day long?  
<sup>2</sup> You plot ruin;  
your tongue is like a sharpened razor, \*  
O worker of deception.  
<sup>3</sup> You love evil more than good \*  
and lying more than speaking the truth.  
<sup>4</sup> You love all words that hurt, \*

O you deceitful tongue.

<sup>5</sup> Oh, that God would demolish you utterly, \*  
topple you, and snatch you from your dwelling,  
and root you out of the land of the living!

<sup>6</sup> The righteous shall see and tremble, \*  
and they shall laugh at him, saying,

<sup>7</sup> This is the one who did not take God for a refuge, \*  
but trusted in great wealth  
and relied upon wickedness.

<sup>8</sup> But I am like a green olive tree in the house of God; \*  
I trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.

<sup>9</sup> I will give you thanks for what you have done \*  
and declare the goodness of your Name in the presence of the godly.

### **Gloria Patri**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost:

as it was in the beginning, is now,  
and ever shall be.

World without end. Amen. *Amen.*

### **The Old Testament Lesson**

*A reading from the book of Deuteronomy 8:11-20*

<sup>11</sup>Take care that you do not forget the Lord your God, by failing to keep his commandments, his ordinances, and his statutes, which I am commanding you today. <sup>12</sup>When you have eaten your fill and have built fine houses and live in them, <sup>13</sup>and when your herds and flocks have multiplied, and your silver and gold is multiplied, and all that you have is multiplied, <sup>14</sup>then do not exalt yourself, forgetting the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, <sup>15</sup>who led you through the great and terrible wilderness, an arid wasteland with poisonous snakes and scorpions. He made water flow for you from flint rock, <sup>16</sup>and fed you in the wilderness with manna that your ancestors did not know, to humble you and to test you, and in the end to do you good. <sup>17</sup>Do not say to yourself, "My power and the might of my own hand have gotten me this wealth." <sup>18</sup>But remember the Lord your God, for it is he who gives you power to get wealth, so that he may confirm his covenant that he swore to your ancestors, as he is doing today. <sup>19</sup>If you do forget the Lord your God and follow other gods to serve and worship them, I solemnly warn you today that you shall surely perish. <sup>20</sup>Like the nations that the Lord is destroying before you, so shall you perish, because you would not obey the voice of the Lord your God.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

### **Canticle 9** The First Song of Isaiah

*Ecce, Deus*

*Isaiah 12:2-6*

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 New Testament Lesson**

*A reading from the letter to the Hebrews 2:11-18*

<sup>11</sup>For the one who sanctifies and those who are sanctified all have one Father. For this reason, Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters, <sup>12</sup>saying, "I will proclaim your name to my brothers and sisters, in the midst of the congregation I will praise you." <sup>13</sup>And again, "I will put my trust in him." And again, "Here am I and the children whom God has given me."

<sup>14</sup>Since, therefore, the children share flesh and blood, he himself likewise shared the same things, so that through death he might destroy the one who has the power of death, that is, the devil, <sup>15</sup>and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by the fear of death. <sup>16</sup>For it is clear that he did not come to help angels, but the descendants of Abraham. <sup>17</sup>Therefore he had to become like his brothers and sisters in every respect, so that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in the service of God, to make a sacrifice of atonement for the sins of the people. <sup>18</sup>Because he himself was tested by what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

### **Canticle 19** The Song of the Redeemed

*Magna et mirabilia*

*Revelation 15:3-4*

O ruler of the universe, Lord God,  
great deeds are they that you have done, \*  
surpassing human understanding.  
Your ways are ways of righteousness and truth, \*  
O King of all the ages.  
Who can fail to do you homage, Lord,  
and sing the praises of your Name? \*  
for you only are the holy One.  
All nations will draw near and fall down before you, \*  
because your just and holy works have been revealed.  
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 Gospel**

*A reading from the Gospel according to John 2:1-12*

<sup>1</sup>On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. <sup>2</sup>Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. <sup>3</sup>When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." <sup>4</sup>And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." <sup>5</sup>His mother said to the servants,

"Do whatever he tells you." <sup>6</sup>Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. <sup>7</sup>Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. <sup>8</sup>He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. <sup>9</sup>When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom <sup>10</sup>and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." <sup>11</sup>Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

<sup>12</sup>After this he went down to Capernaum with his mother, his brothers, and his disciples; and they remained there a few days.

The Word of the Lord.

*Thanks be to God.*

### **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 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 Prayers**

God be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us pray.

### **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 for ever. *Amen.*

### **Suffrages**

Save your people, Lord, and bless your inheritance;  
*Govern and uphold them, now and always.*

Day by day we bless you;  
*We praise your Name for ever.*

Lord, keep us from all sin today;  
*Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.*

Lord, show us your love and mercy;  
*For we put our trust in you.*

In you, Lord, is our hope;  
*And we shall never hope in vain.*

### **The Collect of the Day**

Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan; Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### **A Collect for Mission**

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

### **Collect of Commemoration**

O God, whose Spirit guides us into all truth and makes us free: Strengthen and sustain us as you did your servant Harriet Ross Tubman. Give us vision and courage to stand against oppression and injustice and all that works against the glorious liberty to which you call all your children; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

### **Trinity Cycle of Prayer**

*Julie, Jessica, Paxton, Theo & Crew Treen*

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.*

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

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## **The Commemoration**

Harriet Ross was born in 1820 in Maryland. She was deeply impressed by the Bible narrative of God's deliverance of the Israelites out of slavery in Egypt, and it became the basis of her belief that it was God's will to deliver slaves in America out of their bondage, and that it was her duty to help accomplish this.

In 1844, she escaped to Canada, but returned to help others escape. Working with other Abolitionists, chiefly white Quakers, she made at least nineteen excursions into Maryland in the 1850's, leading more than 300 slaves to freedom.

During the War of 1861-5, she joined the Northern Army as a cook and a nurse and a spy, and on one occasion led a raid that freed over 750 slaves.

After the war, she worked to shelter orphans and elderly poor persons, and to advance the status of women and blacks. She became known as "the Moses of her People."