



## Psalm 121

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills;  
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the LORD,  
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved  
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel  
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The LORD himself watches over you;  
the LORD is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day,  
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The LORD shall preserve you from all evil;  
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The LORD shall watch over your going out and your coming in,  
from this time forth for evermore.

## The Second Reading: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? “Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness.”

Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void.

For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”)—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

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

**The Holy Gospel: John 3:1-17**

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

*People* Glory be to thee, O Lord.

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.”

Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.”

Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise be to thee, O Christ.

**The Sermon**

Arthur Villarreal  
School for Deacons Intern

**The Nicene Creed**

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,  
and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father  
before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten,  
not made, being of one substance with the Father; by whom all things were made;

who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven,  
and was incarnate by the Holy Ghost of the Virgin Mary, and was made man;  
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate; he suffered and was buried;  
and the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven,  
and sitteth on the right hand of the Father; and he shall come again, with glory,  
to judge both the quick and the dead; whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost the Lord, and Giver of Life, who proceedeth  
from the Father and the Son; who with the Father and the Son together  
is worshiped and glorified; who spake by the prophets.

And I believe one holy Catholic and Apostolic Church; I acknowledge one Baptism  
for the remission of sins; and I look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **Confession of Sin**

Almighty God, Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, maker of all things, judge of all men:  
We acknowledge and bewail our manifold sins and wickedness, which we from  
time to time most grievously have committed, by thought, word, and deed,  
against thy divine Majesty, provoking most justly thy wrath and indignation against us.

We do earnestly repent, and are heartily sorry for these our misdoings;  
the remembrance of them is grievous unto us; the burden of them is intolerable.

Have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;  
for thy Son our Lord Jesus Christ's sake, forgive us all that is past;  
and grant that we may ever hereafter serve and please thee in newness of life,  
to the honor and glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Absolution and Comfortable Words**

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### **The Peace**

*All stand.*

*Celebrant*      The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*People*         And with thy spirit.

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord..*

### **Birthday Prayer**

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide  
them wherever they may be, keeping them unspotted from the world.  
Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful;  
raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may thy peace which passeth  
understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## Anniversary Prayer

O God, who hast so consecrated the state of Matrimony that in it is represented the spiritual marriage and unity between Christ and his Church; look mercifully upon these thy servants, that they may love, honour, and cherish each other, and so live together in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and of peace; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit ever, one God, world without end. Amen.

## Announcements

### Offertory Anthem

*Tribulationes Cordis Mei*  
Adult Choir

Michael Haydn  
Psalm 24:17-18

*Tribulationes cordis mei dilatate sunt:* The troubles of my heart are dilated:  
*de necessitatibus meis eripe me, Domine.* from my necessities deliver me, Lord.  
*Vide humilitatem meam et laborem meum:* See my humiliation and my labor:  
*et dimitte omnia peccata mea.* and dismiss all my sins.

### Presentation Hymn

With gratitude and humble trust

*Kingsfold*

### The Great Thanksgiving

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.  
*People* And with thy spirit.  
*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.  
*People* We lift them up unto the Lord.  
*Celebrant* Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.  
*People* It is meet and right so to do.

*Celebrant*

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was in every way tempted as we are, yet did not sin; by whose grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer unto ourselves, but unto him who died for us and rose again.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

### Sanctus, S-117

Hans Leo Hassler

*Celebrant* All glory be to thee, Almighty God...

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By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost  
all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end.

*People* AMEN.

*Celebrant* And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us we are bold to say,

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*People and Celebrant*

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 Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* Therefore let us keep the feast.

### **Agnus Dei, S-160**

*Anaphora Chant*

### **Prayer of Humble Access**

*Celebrant and People*

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord,  
trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies.  
We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table.  
But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy.  
Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ,  
and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*At St. Clement's all who seek Christ are invited to receive communion.*

### **Communion Anthem**

*Christus factus est*  
Adult Choir

Fabio Fresi  
Phillipians 2:8-9

*Christus factus est pro nobis obediens usque ad mortem,  
in usque ad mortem autem crucis.  
Propter quod et Deus exaltavit illum  
et dedit illi nomen quod est super omne nomen.*

Christ for us became obedient unto death,  
even death on a cross;  
therefore God has highly exalted him  
and bestowed on him the Name which is above every name.

**Ablutions Anthem**

*I Will Lift Mine Eyes Unto the Hills*  
 Youth Choir  
 Christine Gold, recorder

Austin Lovelace  
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I will lift mine eyes unto the hills from where does my help come?  
 My help shall come from the Lord, the Maker of the heav'ns and earth,  
 Creator of all things.

He will not let my foot be moved, He who keeps me will not sleep.  
 The God who watches Israel, the Lord, my Keeper, never sleeps,  
 A shade on my right hand.

The sun and moon shall not smite me; He will keep me from all harm.  
 The Lord shall watch o'er all my life, preserve my going out and coming in,  
 From this time, evermore.

**Postcommunion Prayer**

*People and Celebrant*

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee, for that thou dost feed us,  
 in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood  
 of thy Son our Saviour Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby  
 of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate  
 in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people;  
 and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom.

And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace,  
 that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works  
 as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom,  
 with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

**Blessing****Recessional Hymn 149**

Eternal Lord of Love

*Old 124th*

**Dismissal**

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Organ Postlude**

*Chaconne in F Minor*

Johann Pachelbel