

St. Clement's Episcopal Church
Morning Prayer (1928 Prayer Book)

The Fifteenth Sunday After Pentecost
September 25, 2011

Prelude

Das Lied der Trennung, K.519
Abendempfindung, K.523
David Morris, violoncello

Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart

Processional Hymn 410

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

Lauda anima

Opening Sentence

A General Confession

Officiant and People

Almighty and most merciful Father;
we have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep.
We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against thy 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 there is no health in us.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.
Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults.
Restore thou those who are penitent;
according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord.
And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake;
that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life,
to the glory of thy holy name. Amen.

The Declaration of Absolution

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The Lord's Prayer

Officiant and People

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.

Versicles

Officiant O Lord, open thou our lips.
People And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.

All stand.

Officiant Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
People As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Officiant Praise ye the Lord.
People The Lord's name be praised.

Venite, exultemus Domino 609

- 1 O come, let us sing | unto · the Lord;
let us heartily rejoice in the strength of | our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with | **thanksgiving**;
and show ourselves | glad in him with psalms.
- 3 For the Lord is a | **great** God;
and a great | King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are all the corners | of the earth;
and the strength of the hills is | **his also**.
- 5 The sea is | his, and · he made it;
and his hands prepared · the **dry** land.
- 6 O come, let us worship and | **fall** down,
and kneel before the | Lord our **Maker**.
- 7 For he is the | Lord our God;
and we are the people of his pasture, and the | sheep of **his** hand.
- 8 O worship the Lord in the | beauty · of holiness;
let the whole earth | stand in awe of him.
- 9 For he cometh, for he cometh to | judge the earth;
and with righteousness to judge the world, and the | peoples with his truth.

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.

The First Lesson: Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?"

But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?"

So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink."

Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 78:1-4, 12-16

- 1 Hear my law, O my people;
incline your ears unto the words of my mouth.
- 2 I will open my mouth in a parable;
I will declare hard sentences of old;
- 3 Which we have heard and known,
and such as our fathers have told us;
- 4 That we should not hide them from the children of the generations to come;
but to show the honour of the Lord, his mighty and wonderful works that he hath done.
- 12 But forgot what he had done,
and the wonderful works that he had showed for them.
- 13 Marvellous things did he in the sight of our forefathers, in the land of Egypt,
even in the field of Zoan.
- 14 He divided the sea, and let them go through;
he made the waters to stand on an heap.
- 15 In the day-time also he led them with a cloud,
and all the night through with a light of fire.
- 16 He clave the hard rocks in the wilderness,
and gave them drink thereof, as it had been out of the great depth.

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.

The Second Lesson: Philippians 2:1-13

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves.

Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure.

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People Thanks be to God.

Benedictus es, Domine S-180

The Third Lesson: Matthew 21:23-32

When Jesus entered the temple, the chief priests and the elders of the people came to him as he was teaching, and said, “By what authority are you doing these things, and who gave you this authority?” Jesus said to them, “I will also ask you one question; if you tell me the answer, then I will also tell you by what authority I do these things. Did the baptism of John come from heaven, or was it of human origin?”

And they argued with one another, “If we say, ‘From heaven,’ he will say to us, ‘Why then did you not believe him?’ But if we say, ‘Of human origin,’ we are afraid of the crowd; for all regard John as a prophet.” So they answered Jesus, “We do not know.”

And he said to them, “Neither will I tell you by what authority I am doing these things. What do you think? A man had two sons; he went to the first and said, ‘Son, go and work in the vineyard today.’ He answered, ‘I will not’; but later he changed his mind and went. The father went to the second and said the same; and he answered, ‘I go, sir’; but he did not go. Which of the two did the will of his father?” They said, “The first.”

Jesus said to them, “Truly I tell you, the tax collectors and the prostitutes are going into the kingdom of God ahead of you. For John came to you in the way of righteousness and you did not believe him, but the tax collectors and the prostitutes believed him; and even after you saw it, you did not change your minds and believe him.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Jubilate Deo 642

- 1 O be joyful in the Lord | all ye lands:
 serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his | presence with a song.
- 2 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**.
- 3 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.
- 4 For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is | everlasting;
 and his truth endureth from generation to | **generation**.

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.**

The Apostles' Creed

Officiant and People

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
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.

Versicles

Officiant The Lord be with you.

People And with thy spirit.

Officiant Let us pray.

Officiant O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

People And grant us thy salvation.

Officiant O God, make clean our hearts within us.

People And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect for the Day

Officiant

O God, who declarest thy almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Mercifully grant unto us such a measure of thy grace, that we, running to obtain thy promises, may be made partakers of thy heavenly treasure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The Prayers

A General Thanksgiving

Officiant and People

Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
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;
and 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 honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Grace

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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.

