

St. Jude's Church

Evening Prayer



Monday, November 4, 2024

A Day of Prayer for the Nations

Evening Prayer for the Days after All Saints
until the Eve of the Reign of Christ

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

Introductory Responses

O Lord, open our lips
and our mouth shall proclaim your praise.
Let your ways be known upon earth,
your saving help among the nations.

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.

Thanksgiving

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Blessed are you, Sovereign God,
our light and our salvation,
to you be glory and praise for ever.
Now, as darkness is falling,
wash away our transgressions,
cleanse us by your refining fire
and make us temples of your Holy Spirit.
By the light of Christ,
dispel the darkness of our hearts
and make us ready to enter your reign of justice and peace,
where songs of praise for ever sound.

Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.
Blessed be God for ever.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

The Psalm

Psalm 67 Deus misereatur

¹ O God, be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of your countenance and come to us.

² **Let your ways be known upon earth, ***
your saving health among all nations.

³ Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

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.

THE SENDING FORTH OF THE COMMUNITY

The Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

May Christ, who has opened to us the gates of heaven, bring
us to reign with him in glory.
Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY

The Litany

Let us pray to the God of all the faithful.
With the noble fellowship of the prophets,
may we discern the signs of your reign in our midst:
God of all the faithful, remember your promise of mercy.

With the glorious company of the apostles
may we proclaim your gospel throughout the world:
God of all the faithful, remember your promise of mercy.

With the white-robed army of martyrs
may we be ready to suffer for the truth's sake:
God of all the faithful, remember your promise of mercy.

With all who are anointed by your Spirit
may we bring good news to the poor and freedom to the
oppressed:
God of all the faithful, remember your promise of mercy.

With the saints in light may we bind up the broken-hearted
and comfort all who mourn:
God of all the faithful, remember your promise of mercy.

Within the whole company of Christ's pilgrim people
may we come to the inheritance of the saints in glory:
God of all the faithful, remember your promise of mercy.

The Collect

Week of All Saints

God of unfailing light, in your realm of glory the poor are
blessed, the hungry filled and every tear is wiped away.
Strengthened by this vision, may we follow in the way of
holiness that your Son made known in life and death. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Uniting with the whole company of heaven and gathering
our prayers and praises into one, let us pray as our Saviour
taught us,
**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.**

⁴ Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
**for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.**

⁵ Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.

⁶ The earth has brought forth its increase;
may you, O God our God, bless us.

**May you bless us, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of you.**

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

The Reading

Jeremiah 29:4-9

⁴ Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the
exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to
Babylon: ⁵ Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and
eat what they produce. ⁶ Take wives and have sons and
daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters
in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply
there, and do not decrease. ⁷ But seek the welfare of the city
where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its
behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. ⁸ For thus
says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let the
prophets and the diviners who are among you deceive you,
and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, ⁹ for it is a
lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not
send them, says the Lord.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.
Thanks be to God.

The Responsory

You are righteous, O Lord, and delight in righteous deeds;
the just shall see your face.
**You are righteous, O Lord, and delight in righteous deeds;
the just shall see your face.**

When the foundations are being destroyed,
what can the righteous do?
You are righteous, O Lord, and delight in righteous deeds.

Your eyes behold the inhabited world;
your piercing eye weighs our worth.
The just shall see your face.

You weigh the righteous as well as the wicked,
but those who delight in violence, you abhor.
**You are righteous, O Lord, and delight in righteous deeds;
the just shall see your face.**

A Reading

1 Timothy 2:1-4, 6

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers,
intercessions, and thanksgivings should be made for
everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that
we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and
dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our
Saviour, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to
the knowledge of the truth. For
there is one God;

there is also one mediator between God and humankind,
Christ Jesus, himself human,
who gave himself a ransom for all
—this was attested at the right time.

I desire, then, that in every place the [people] should pray,
lifting up holy hands without anger or argument.

Holy Word, Holy Wisdom.
Thanks be to God.

The Canticle

A Song of the Blessed (Matthew 5.3-12)

Blessed are the poor in spirit, *
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
**Blessed are those who mourn, *
for they will be comforted.**

Blessed are the meek, *
for they will inherit the earth.
**Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for
righteousness,*
for they will be filled.**

Blessed are the merciful, *
for they will receive mercy.

**Blessed are the pure in heart, *
for they will see God.**

Blessed are the peacemakers, *
for they will be called children of God.

**Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness'
sake, *
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.**

Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you *
and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.
**Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, *
for in the same way they persecuted the prophets
who were before you.**

Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God:
as it was in the beginning, is now and will be for ever. Amen.

Affirmation of Faith

The Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and 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.**